

Abandonment

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The Regulatory Complex

The traditional three branches of government no longer form a distinct institution but, instead, are intimately combined with the corporate financial establishment. The result is a huge regulatory complex that exists as a parasite upon us. If you'd like to do something productive to oppose it, then one attractive option is abandonment. This approach has several advantages. For example, you won't need to prepare voluminous briefs and then rely on a hostile judge to rule in your favor. You won't need to oppose belligerent cops who want only to abuse you or to take your property. You won't even have to argue with folks who don't care. You simply refrain from doing voluntary things and thereby strike at the very heart of the regulatory complex, its pocketbook. One big advantage of abandonment is that it's incremental. That is, you can go only as far as you want to go. The further you go the more good you do. Regardless of how far you decide to go, there isn't any legal risk. You don't have to do anything illegal or oppose anyone. The only disadvantages are a certain amount of inconvenience (you can decide what is enough), the very small effect that one individual can have, and the long time that's required for the effects of your behavior, if any, to become evident. However, you'll have the satisfaction of knowing that you're doing the right thing.

Here are some suggestions. They're only suggestions. You might think of other things that work better for you.

1. Get out of debt. The interest that you pay on loans is funds in the pocket for the regulatory complex. Also, when you go into debt you acquire an obligation to the regulatory complex and give it power over you. A debtor as one who can be compelled to pay.
2. Cancel all of your credit accounts. That way, you can reduce the temptation to impulsive credit buying and avoid giving additional funds to the regulatory complex as interest. Even if you pay credit bills before interest accrues, you still support the regulatory complex by joining its ranks. Voluntary participation equals endorsement. You can pay cash for things that you need.
3. Sell all of your stocks. They represent funds that you've loaned to the regulatory complex on its terms. They give you a vested interest therein. As the Nazarene said, "... where your treasure is, there will your heart be also." You won't be able to oppose the regulatory complex if you have a vested interest in it. Worse yet, the doctrine of limited liability that's an integral part of stock ownership represents one of the more evil influences in the world today.
4. Close all of your savings accounts. Banks are like casinos. They make their profit from their customers. That means that the banks must be getting more from the customers than the customers are getting from the banks. Otherwise, the banks would be out of business. Only the insidious cloaking qualities of fractional reserve banking prevent you from perceiving your losses. Banks are a bad investment. Your funds are a lot safer in your freezer.
5. Close all of your checking accounts. Your funds in the bank are funds in the pocket of the regulatory complex. Money orders work just as well as checks and they don't reveal all of your transactions to the IRS.
6. Since you're using money orders instead of checks, you can use whatever name you want to use. Close all of your utilities accounts and the telephone account

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and open them under pseudonyms. That makes it more difficult and expensive for the regulatory complex to keep track of you.

7. When a clerk in a store asks you for your name and address, give him phony information. It's good practice.

There are many more things that you can do beyond these suggestions. If you're motivated to go further, then the experience that you gain by getting this far will give you plenty of ideas for what to do next.

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