

Re: **testimony in OPPOSITION to H7009**, JOINT RESOLUTION RESPECTFULLY REQUESTING A CONVENTION OF THE STATES UNDER ARTICLE V OF THE UNITED STATES CONSTITUTION

To: Honorable Rep. Evan P. Shanley, Chair; Rep. Mary Messier, First Vice Chair; Rep. Arthur J. Corvese, Second Vice Chair; and Members of the **House State Government and Elections Committee**

It looks like we have to talk about the Art V convention process again. Thank you for reviewing my testimony.

This current push for convention launched in 2013. I'd think if it were the only thing that will save America, as advocates like to insist, that it would have been brought to fruition by now. But it's not been. Why not??? Are we to believe state legislators aren't smart enough to figure it out? Are we to believe there's not enough state legislators who love and want to save America? Of course not. By declining to trigger an unpredictable convention, legislators like yourself are effectively safeguarding our existing constitutional rights from potential instability.

When the Convention of States co-founder and CEO, Mark Meckler, launched, Mr. Meckler did not say he was a historian (He's clearly not). Mr. Meckler did not say he was a constitutional scholar, or even an expert on Art V. What Mark Meckler said is he is an expert at controlling the narrative. (They created newspeak) "Marketing Mark Meckler" also literally said you would be calling a "constitutional convention." And no one want's that, right?

Did you know that the factions of pro conventioners overlap? See here, here, here and here. We are all talking about the same process that lacks transparency and has risks. And they have all repeating the same misinformation regarding the history of applications. See here and also: COS lobbyist, Regional Director David Schneider, sixth paragraph here.

The polling is rigged. There's dark money. There's been proven support fraud, nasty tactics, and legislators have removed their support.

I hope you feel as I do and will vote "no" to this Art V convention application to help level heads prevail.

Sincerely,
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