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Mr. J. Albert Emory 3050 Three Rod Road East Aurora, NY 14052-9587

Dear J. Albert:

Thank you for contacting me regarding who is subject to the income tax, the Internal Revenue Code and the IRS. It was good to hear from you.

Throughout much of the American history, there was no income tax. But in 1913 the income tax was made constitutional by ratification of the 16<sup>th</sup> Amendment to the Constitution. The 16<sup>th</sup> Amendment states, "The Congress shall have the power to lay and collect taxes on income, from whatever source derived, without apportionment among the several States, and without regard to any census or enumeration."

Some claim that being required to file a 1040 form with the IRS violates the Fifth Amendment right against self-incrimination or a Fourth Amendment right against unreasonable search and seizure. But the courts have consistently held that disclosure of the routine financial information required on a return does not incriminate an individual or violate a right to privacy.

Indeed, our complex code does require taxpayers to answer probing questions that the federal government really has little interest in knowing. This is a great argument in favor of fundamental tax reform that simplifies the Code. I support sunsetting the current Tax Code.

Others claim that the filing and paying of tax is voluntary, and that the Internal Revenue Code doesn't apply to them because they are a not a government employee or are a resident of a sovereign state. But Section 6012 of the Code makes clear that only individuals whose income falls below a specified level do not have to file returns. While our tax system is based on self-assessment and reporting, compliance with tax laws is mandatory. State citizenship does not negate the applicability of the Code on individuals working and residing in the United States.

Sincerely

Again, thank you for contacting me. Please accept my best regards.

THOMAS M. REYNOLDS United States Representative

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Dear J. Albert:

I wanted to update you on activity in the House of Representatives that directly impacts some of our most precious rights: the First Amendment guarantee of free speech and the Second Amendment protection of the right to bear arms.

As you may know, the House recently debated a so-called campaign finance reform bill that would have banned the airing of political advertisements on television within a couple months of an election. In effect, this would protect incumbents from criticism on television -- the most effective medium -- over their records during the crucial weeks leading up to an election.

But an amendment was offered that would have exempted communications to voters regarding Second Amendment rights from being subject to such a gag order. This constructive proposal to this deeply flawed piece of legislation would have allowed organizations such as the National Rifle Association the ability to exercise their First Amendment rights.

Unfortunately the amendment failed in one of the closest votes during debate on the Campaign Finance Reform Act of 2001. I ultimately voted against this legislation and its attack on the very heart of the First Amendment.

I am a strong supporter of the right to bear arms as protected by the Second Amendment to the Constitution. I continue to believe that crime control efforts should focus on enforcing those laws already on the books. Furthermore, I support existing laws that keep guns out of the hands of children and criminals.

As always, if I can ever be of any assistance, please feel free to contact me at any of my offices listed above.

THOMAS M. REYNOLDS United States Representative Representative Thomas M. Reynolds 413 Cannon House Office Bldg. Washington, DC 20515-3227

Reference: "Truth-In-Taxation" Hearing

Dear Congressman Reynolds,

Thank you very much for your letters of 4/29/02 and 4/30/02 (copies attached). I was pleased but also quite troubled by their content. They created additional anxiety and distrust on my part.

While your letter of 4/29/02 dealt with your congressional concerns about "our most precious rights" (the 1st and 2nd amendments): your 4/30/02 letter (in response to my 4/15/02 correspondence) implies that my rights under the 1st, 4th, 5th, 6th and 13th amendments can be ignored.

Your claim that Congress's authority, granted by the 16th amendment, overrides my Constitutional Rights is absurd. Also the claims, in reference to the 4th and 5th amendments, are just not true. Your claims are not supported by any objective evidence. The Courts have not been consistent in their tax rulings; but instead have been very inconsistent. The federal courts can't even make up their mind as to whether the "Income Tax" is a direct or an indirect tax.

Please note again the following elaboration of my Constitutional Rights:

- My right to a "redress of grievances" as guaranteed by the 1st Amendment.
- My <u>right</u> to be "secure in my person, property and papers against unreasonable search and seizure" as guaranteed by the 4th Amendment.
- My right "not to incriminate myself" as guaranteed by the 5th Amendment.
- My right to 'due process of law" as guaranteed by the 5th and 6th Amendments.
- My <u>right</u> not to be bound by a system of "involuntary servitude or slavery" as prohibited by the 13th Amendment.

Congressman Reynolds, may I call your attention again to my *Petition Letter* of 4/15/02. This letter was hand delivered to your office on 4/15/02 and was accompanied by (4) VCD-ROM's, (2) VHS tapes, a copy of the "Citizens' Remonstrance" and a complete transcript of the Citizens' "Truth-In-Taxation" hearing. This hearing was held Feb. 27th and 28th, 2002 at the Washington Marriott in Washington, DC. I was present as an observer.

Above listed documentation was received by Ms. Katie Roth at your office. It is a complete record of this hearing. It documents the sworn testimony and objective evidence presented. It proves, beyond any reasonable doubt, that the federal income tax system is one gigantic hoax. More specifically it shows:

- That federal Judges will not tolerate any discussion of defendant's *Bill-of-Rights* during tax related litigation.
- That Judges frequently make rulings such as "frivolous" or "previously/consistently decided by the courts" as a means of excluding evidence; thereby, controlling the outcome of tax cases.
- That Judges frequently refuse to site the specific law which supports their ruling.
- That the IRS routinely uses F, F&BF (fear, fraud and brute force) to extort taxes from sovereign citizens; who don't live or work within the Federal Zone. Therefore, they have no taxable income.
- That citizens are routinely denied Due Process Rights by the IRS, the DOJ and the Courts.
- That the most damaging evidence thus far, supporting above grievances, is Congress's refusal to discuss these tax issues; a blatam violation of the 1st Amendment.

Congressman Reynolds, there are many honest, law abiding citizens in jail today; and many others who have had their property seized. This has occurred because laws which do not apply were unjustly used against them. These individuals, being denied Due Process protection, were unable to defend themselves. The Constitution does not support such illegal activity. It is an insult to The American Way which promises equal protection and justice for all.

In your letter of 4/30/02, you noted that the 16th Amendment was ratified in 1913. But what you failed to note was that several weeks later, that same year; Congress passed the Federal Reserve Banking Act. The two are intimately tied together. Read the "The Creature from Jekyll Island" by G. Edward Griffin if you want to learn more about how this gigantic tax/banking fraud was hatched. As a result, not (1) penny of the taxes collected today go toward running our federal government. It's all sent directly to the Federal Reserve Bank; as interest payments on the (6.5 trillion dollar) National Debt.

And who is this Federal Reserve Bank? It's an elite group of private world bankers; who, with our Congress's help, devised a system which siphons off 30-40% of the labor of every man, woman and child in this nation. It's a system of slavery; pure and simple. It violates every principle laid down by our Constitution and Bill-of-Rights. It destroys the moral character upon which this nation was built. It denies us our dignity and robs us of our freedom.

Congressman Reynolds, how do you look at your constituents? Do you see them as free men and women? Or do you see them as just another form of domesticated livestock; which must be herded through the sheep dip periodically and sheered as offend as possible? Is your time spent mending fences (providing additional rules and regulations); or is it spent protecting our Constitutional Rights? Freedom is man's most precious gift; and sometimes, it becomes necessary to jeopardize one's life in order to preserve it.

In closing, may I wish you and your family good fortune. May God bless and guide you; and I pray that he will giving you the moral strength, wisdom and courage to do the right thing. Long live our Republic and may it continue to prosper.

Sincerely,

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P.S. I've enclosed an additional tape just received. It's titled "Theft By Deception" by Larkin Rose. It uses video graphics to decipher the Federal Tax Code. It's visual/graphic nature presents Title 26 in such a fashion that the average "man in the street" can understand this extremely complex code. It's very good and I understand that a large number are already in circulation.

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