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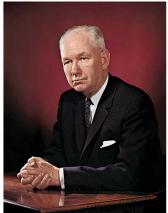
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Taking Action: Don't Like Politics as Usual? Change It!

The law can be clear, but when it is weaponized, nearly all Americans could be under federal indictment without even knowing they committed a crime. Attorney Harvey Silverglate makes this very argument in his 2009 book *Three Felonies a Day: How the Feds Target the Innocent*.

In 2018, TNA senior editor Alex Newman wrote "<u>Deep State Bureaucracy vs. Trump,</u> <u>America, Constitution</u>" in our first special issue on the Deep State. He highlighted Silverglate's book and then wrote, "In other words, any American who crossed the Deep State could, theoretically, be targeted for violating some criminal regulation that he or she never even heard of."



Robert Welch

This doesn't perfectly fit President Trump's situation, but perhaps we could agree that he has been and continues to be targeted by the Deep State. As Trump pointed out in a campaign ad, "They're not after me. They're after you. I'm just in the way."

Since this magazine's humble beginnings with Robert Welch penning *One Man's Opinion* back in 1956, we have reported on the deliberate attack on this country's founding principles. In our inaugural issue of February 1956, Welch wrote in-depth on South Korea's Syngman Rhee, whom he called the "father of his country." Rhee, despite all the odds against him, "achieved the precarious independence of half of his country." This "mighty achievement" is known as the Republic of Korea, and Rhee was elected the first president of South Korea.

Welch met with Rhee in 1955 in Seoul, and asked him for a statement that he could incorporate into a speech to the Board of Directors of the National Association of Manufacturers. Rhee wrote in part, "Say to them that 'peaceful coexistence' [with Communists] is an insidious fraud, and compromise with Communism is a sin of which the wages are surely death. Do your best to have even the doubters among your associates see the unchanging purposes of the Communists as clearly as you and I see them, and these friends can then help mightily to save not only my country and your country but our civilization itself."

President Rhee had encountered deception from Korean communists, and was let down by the "friendly" United States, which not only brought about a stalemate in Korea through its no-win policy, but also aided and abetted communism elsewhere while ostensibly opposing it. Welch wrote in 1980 the answer to the question, "What have we learned?": "There is a huge, deeply entrenched, extremely powerful Conspiracy at work to achieve absolute and brutal rule over the whole human race. The Korean War was simply one project in that grandiose design."

The game plan hasn't changed. Nor have the tactics. The lies, chaos, and obfuscation that have plagued

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President Trump were generated by those opposed to his efforts to put America first. As Welch stated in 1980, "The Communists are all taught to be unhesitating and unmitigated liars about anything or everything, and anybody or everybody, when the falsehood will either help the revolutionary cause, or damage its enemies. Their exact reversal of the truth about Syngman Rhee and Chiang Kai-shek and General MacArthur, during the whole Korean War and its direct aftermath, was in accordance with standard practice. And they always make especially vicious use of this practice in carrying out their basic precept with regard to those who expose the truth about their crimes: Do not try to refute the accusations, but destroy the accuser!"

Robert Welch founded The John Birch Society in 1958 to expose and overcome the communist conspiracy using educational means. Those who are elected into office, including district attorneys, are a direct reflection of the electorate who voted them in. The electorate needs to know the constitutional limitations of government, their role in forcing government to obey these limitations, and how well elected officials obey the limitations. The JBS provides the tools, the training, and the game plan to achieve this.

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