Fake Emails & Petitions: More COS Chicanery?

"Is there no virtue among us? If there be not, we are in a wretched situation."



Mark Meckler, President of the well-funded "Convention of States" organization ("COS")¹, claims to have massive grassroots support for an Article V Convention.

And Legislators in States where Meckler's "COS" application for Congress to call an Article V Convention is pending typically do receive "hundreds" of emails or petitions from "constituents" in their District urging them to support the COS application.

But there is considerable evidence that at least some of these emails and petitions are faked:

- This <u>Phony Petitions & Polls flyer</u> tells of how, during 2018, two Idaho Legislators reported that COS Petitions they received were digitally "signed" by some constituents who, when contacted, said they never signed. Representative Priscilla Giddings called this practice "<u>hi-tech fraud</u>". In <u>this short and telling video</u>, Representative Dorothy Moon says some of the petitions purported to be from people she knew; but when she called them, they said they didn't sign.
- In this video, **Representative Pepper Ottman** of **Wyoming** tells of how during 2023, she received hundreds of emails from alleged supporters of SJR 11 ("COS's" application for a convention). Since the names and addresses of [alleged] senders were provided, she contacted the alleged senders and they said they didn't send the emails!
- In this video, <u>Representative Sarah Penn</u>, also of **Wyoming**, speaks of how she received emails in support of SJR 11 from "constituents" but when she contacted them, they responded with comments such as, "I don't know what this is I didn't send it **what is COS?**"
- In this video, a <u>South Dakota Senator</u> exposes COS Deceit and Fake Petitions Including From His Own Wife!

Legislators who receive "hundreds" of emails & petitions from "COS supporters" in their District should take a good look at those emails & petitions – and *call* the friends and others who allegedly sent them.

The Madison quote is from this source: <u>https://press-pubs.uchicago.edu/founders/documents/v1ch13s36.html</u>

¹ Meckler's "Convention of States Action" organization spent \$10,689,465.00 for 2022 [<u>link</u> under "Core Financials" & the <u>2022 Tax Form 990 for Convention of States Action</u> [item 18 on page 1]. What *is* all that money spent on?