

# EQUAL RIGHTS FOR CORPORATIONS

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The Supreme Court has acknowledged that legal persons (such as businesses) should have the same constitutional rights as citizens.

In 1886, during the famous court case “Santa Clara County v. Southern Pacific Railroad”, a court reporter named J.C. Bancroft Davis misreported the judge’s comments, thereby imparting legal personhood to corporations. Davis became the Abraham Lincoln of big business.

But it took until January 21<sup>st</sup>, 2010 for the Supreme Court to realize that spending money to influence elections is a form of free expression. Corporations, whose very livelihood depends on which legislators are in office, must be permitted to act in their own self interest, even if it compromises the democratic process. **Campaign Finance Reform is the enemy of free speech!**

We all know that the election process is flawed and corrupt. Someone can lose the popular vote and still become president. Instead, **let the Free Market choose the outcome.** Abolish the messy and outdated electoral process and allow the people to vote with their dollars. If you support the red team, buy product X. If you support the blue team, buy product Y. What could be more fair and democratic?



**This is only the beginning.** Corporations still do not enjoy the same rights as citizens. Write to your senators and congressmen and urge them to treat corporations just like citizens, including:

- Marriage
- Adoption
- Ownership of Firearms
- Mandatory Schooling
- Military Service including Draft
- Violations of the law punished by jail time, community service, mandatory rehab, or the death penalty

