

# **Sovereign Citizens & Your Local Government**

**The Sovereign Citizen Movement, Threat and  
Solutions**

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# What is a Sovereign Citizen?

**FBI definition:** “individuals who openly reject their US citizenship status, believe that most forms of established government, authority, and institutions are illegitimate, and seek, wholly or in part, through unlawful acts of force or violence, to further their claim to be immune from government authority.”



Anti-government extremists who believe that though they physically reside in this country, they are separate or “sovereign” from the United States.

# The Sovereign Citizen Movement

**Civil War Era** - Conspiracy Theory: Government Infiltrated and Replaced with illegitimate tyrannical laws to enslave.  
Sovereign Citizens declared Sovereignty from Illegitimate Government

**1970-80's** - Posse Comitatus and increasing militia groups in the U.S.

**1993** - Waco, Texas Siege of Branch Davidians, 80 killed

**1995** - Oklahoma City Bombing Federal Building, Deadliest Domestic Terrorism Attack 168 Killed

**2008** - President Obama Elected; 2nd Wave of Conservative Militia

**2016-?** - Trump Era, Extremism on Rise, 1/6/21 Insurgent Attack U.S. Capital

# Groups with Sovereign Citizen Beliefs:

Aware Group  
Washitaw Nation  
Republic of United States of America  
Freeman  
Freeman of the Land  
Sons of Liberty  
Aryan Nation  
Moorish Science Temple of America  
Galactic Citizens  
Constitutionalists

# Groups with Sovereign Citizen Beliefs (Continued)

These groups, as a whole, comprise the Patriot Movement, and it has been growing and gaining mainstream attention, particularly since the January 6, 2021 insurrection.

The Constitutional Sheriffs and Peace Officers Association (CSPOA) views the Federal Government as too powerful and overreaching regarding Constitutional liberties. They assert that they have the power to determine the constitutionality of laws, and can refuse to enforce any law they believe is unconstitutional.

# **U.S. Watchdog Groups:**

Southern Poverty Law Center

Anti-Defamation League

Program on Extremism at George  
Washington University

National Consortium for the Study  
of Terrorism and Responses to  
Terrorism at University of  
Maryland

# **International Entities:**

Institute for Strategic Dialogue

# Growing Presence: We Are All Likely to Encounter Sovereign Citizens

## **Section 802; USA Patriot Act (2001)**

A person engages in domestic terrorism if they do an act "*dangerous to human life*" that is a violation of the criminal laws of a state or the United States, if the act appears to be intended to:

- (i) intimidate or coerce a civilian population;
- (ii) influence the policy of a government by intimidation or coercion; or
- (iii) to affect the conduct of a government by mass destruction, assassination or kidnapping.

Defined as  
Domestic  
Terrorists

Growing  
Presence  
Internationally

2001 Federal Government (FBI & Department of Justice) labelled Sovereign Citizens Domestic Terrorists and Federal & State laws adopted to deal with increased radicalization.

Sovereign Citizens – Many Belonging to the “Freeman”; tracked in Australia, Canada, England, Scotland, Republic of Ireland, Northern Ireland, New Zealand, New South Wales, South Africa.



# Profiles of Individual Radicalization in the United States (PIRUS)

## National Consortium for the Study of Terrorism and Responses to Terrorism, University of Maryland

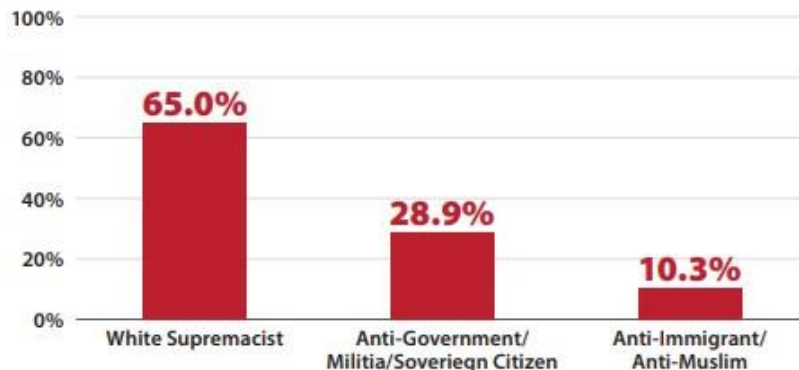
### Sub-Ideologies of Far-Right Extremists in the U.S., 1948-2018 (N=977)

The PIRUS data also capture the sub-ideological affiliations of U.S. extremists, showing both distinct and overlapping views within the far-right and far-left movements.

Among far-right extremists, the majority (65%) demonstrate some expression of **White supremacy**, a view that people of European descent (typically Christians and especially men) are inherently superior to others and should therefore dominate social, political, and cultural institutions.

**Anti-immigrant and anti-Muslim views are typically integrated into White supremacists' racialized definitions of religion, ethnicity, and nationality.**

However, some far-right extremists are animated directly in opposition to people who are or are perceived to be immigrants or are of the Islamic faith. Nearly 30 percent of all far-right extremists in the dataset from 2015-2018 were motivated by anti-immigrant and anti-Muslim views compared to 8 percent from 2006-2015.



*Note: Chart reflects the percent of far-right extremists in PIRUS who are associated with specific sub-ideologies. Individual extremists may be coded for up to three sub-ideologies, so total percent of cases does not equal 100.*

Finally, nearly 30 percent of the far-right extremists in the PIRUS database are or were members of the **Sovereign Citizen movement, anti-government militias, and/or express anti-government views.** While some anti-government extremists also subscribe to racist, nativist, and anti-Semitic views, others are motivated by a belief that the federal government lacks legitimate governing authority and they work actively to disrupt the enforcement of tax, land, traffic, and weapons laws.



**STOP**

**Are Encounters with Sovereign Citizens Cause  
for Concern for Municipalities, the Judiciary,  
and Courts?**

# How Will You Cross Paths With A Sovereign Citizen?

## **Courts:**

Paper Terrorism, Fraudulent Liens, Fraudulent Deeds, Fraudulent Orders, Fraudulent License Plates, Fraudulent Registration, Fraudulent Mortgages, Fraudulent UCC Statements, Filings from purported and false judicial or administrative bodies. (Fraudulent yet simulant genuine paper documents)

## **Law Enforcement:**

Traffic stops, violent crime (assaults, improper gun usage, gun ownership and open carry), squatters due to fraudulent documents/evictions, warrants, process of service or service of warrants, trespass onto municipal property or hospitals; mass gatherings; Constitutional Sheriffs.

Law Enforcement engagement and encounters with sovereign citizens on your streets and as uncooperative, disruptive and possibly violent residents.

# How Will You Cross Paths with A Sovereign Citizen? *(Continued)*

## **Municipalities:**

Interference with the business of elected officials in open meetings, election and polling interference, Utilities, difficulty in opening a municipal utility account without proper identification. Permitting difficulties, Zoning violations & enforcement; collection nightmare if a nonentity opens a municipal utility account and fails to pay.. 1st Amendment auditors videoing city hall in municipal buildings, numerous and broad public information act requests. Municipal Harassment Filings against public officials.

## **Municipal Court:**

No ID, no license, no insurance or fraudulent documents, refusal to execute documents with anything other than “X”, refusal to recognize authority of a municipal court or judge regarding their actions, use the forum to espouse or argue beliefs, and likely to engage in paper terrorism to impede court procedures.

# Sovereign Citizen Activities, Schemes & Strategies

## Paper Terrorism

- Bogus filings, liens, deeds, conveyances
- Fraudulent UCC filing of finance statements
- Filing fake but legitimate IRS forms such as 1099's
- Real estate and mortgage fraud; HUD fraud; squatters

*Real Estate Fraud Prosecution Unit of the San Bernardino (CA) District Attorney's office estimates that 85% of their current case load is sovereign citizen cases.*

## Sovereign Citizen Activities, Schemes & Strategies (*Continued*)

- Credit Repair Schemes (e.g. *KMD Credit, KMD Capital, Jeff Funding*)
- School Board meetings disrupted targeted by groups (e.g. *Let them Breathe*)
- Fabricated Arbitration Rulings (e.g. *HMP Arbitration Association; HMP Arbitration Association*)
- Common Law Courts created by sovereign citizens
- Traffic Enforcement
- Refusal to pay taxes, municipal fees, fines, permits

# Solutions & Strategies



The background of the image is a faded American flag, showing the stars and stripes. The text is centered over this background.

**Legal experts emphasize the importance of fair processes and fair treatment.**

**If sovereign citizens encounter the municipal system, or judicial system, the belief that the court or municipality or system is illegitimate must be overcome, and attempts to delay or impede must be avoided.**



# **States Passing Harsher Laws & Criminal Penalties to deter fraudulent filings of liens, litigation, bogus court filings**

**Imperative to deter and  
avoid non-compliant  
behavior and disruptive  
tactics**

**Obstruction & Manipulation  
are the Goals of a Sovereign  
Citizen**

**Do Not Lose Patience  
Be Reasonable  
Be Fair**

Courts are employing pre-emptive and preventative measures **such as pre-filing injunctions**, also known as “gatekeeper orders,” to prevent litigants from filing new lawsuits or other filings without leave of court.

The All Writs Act (28 U.S.C. § 1651(a)) authorizes federal district courts to withhold judicial access from parties who repeatedly file frivolous suits.[1]

# Pro Se Litigants

Jessica K. Phillips writes that a sovereign citizen can be distinguished from a true pro se litigant because they receive support and resources from the community of sovereign citizens, whereas a true pro se litigant represents themselves without outside aid or guidance.



**Additionally, a sovereign citizen enters the court, “not to win the case, but to use the courtroom as a forum of protest against the very existence of the judicial system and Federalism itself.”**

By distinguishing between actual pro se litigants and sovereign citizens, judges can cut down on inefficiencies and focus instead on rendering leniency towards those litigants in true need of support.

# Practical Tools, References & Solutions

## Understand the Mindset

### Online Publications & Websites:

- “The Citizens Rule Handbook”; “The Unanimous Declaration”
- “Title 4 Flag Says You’re Schwag! The Sovereign Citizen’s Handbook”
- “Sovereign-Citizen.net”
- “Continental United States of America Marshalls”
- “National Liberty Alliance”
- “Rise of the Moors”
- Amazon.com

# Practical Tools & References *(Continued)*

U.S. Department Homeland Security Digital Library [www.hsdl.org](http://www.hsdl.org). Numerous titles/bulletins including:

- “Attention HUD REO Contractors, Property Inspectors, Section 8 Administrators, and Realtors: Watch out: Sovereign Citizen Scams”.
- “Uncommon Law: Understanding and Quantifying the Sovereign Citizen Movement”.
- “Weapons of Mass Distraction: Strategies for Countering the Paper Terrorism of Sovereign Citizens”.
- “Posse Comitatus/Sovereign Citizens: A brief bibliography”.

# **Examples Of Sovereign Citizen Declarations and Signature**

Notice Concerning Fiduciary Relationship

(Internal Revenue Code Sections 6036 and 6903)

OMB No. 1545-0013

Go to www.irs.gov/Form56 for instructions and the latest information.

Part I Identification

Name of person for whom you are acting (as shown on the tax return) Identifying number Decedent's social security no.

Address of person for whom you are acting (number, street, and room or suite no.)

City or town, state, and ZIP code (if a foreign address, see instructions.)

Fiduciary's name

STATE OF TEXAS C/O ANGLETON, BRAZORIA COUNTY, TEXAS, MUNICIPAL COURT OF RECORD AND MAGISTRATE COURT 080-85-6594

Address of fiduciary (number, street, and room or suite no.)

120 SOUTH CHENANGO ST

City or town, state, and ZIP code Telephone number (optional)

ANGLETON, TX 77515 ( 979 ) 849-2471

Section A. Authority

- 1 Authority for fiduciary relationship. Check applicable box: a Court appointment of testate estate (valid will exists) b Court appointment of intestate estate (no valid will exists) c Court appointment as guardian or conservator d Fiduciary of intestate estate e Valid trust instrument and amendments f Bankruptcy or assignment for the benefit of creditors g Other. Describe: By ASSIGNMENT at BIRTH, Social Security Administration (FORM SS-5) & IRS FORM SS-4 2a If box 1a, 1b, or 1d is checked, enter the date of death: 2b If box 1c, 1e, 1f, or 1g is checked, enter the date of appointment, taking office, or assignment or transfer of assets:

Section B. Nature of Liability and Tax Notices

- 3 Type of taxes (check all that apply): Income Gift Estate Generation-skipping transfer Employment Excise Other (describe): All liabilities charged, assessed, levied associated with the estate 4 Federal tax form number (check all that apply): a 706 series b 709 c 940 d 941, 943, 944 e 1040 or 1040-SR f 1041 g 1120 h Other (list): Any & All Tax matters that apply. NI's BOE's 5 If your authority as a fiduciary does not cover all years or tax periods, check here and list the specific years or periods within your authority:

For Paperwork Reduction Act and Privacy Act Notice, see separate instructions.

Cat. No. 16375I

Form 56 (Rev. 11-2022)

As directed, carry out decedents will to the highest level of integrity and good faith.

For matters filed with Brazoria County Courthouse on account # in Superior, State and Magistrate Court, and any related TAX MATTERS/ISSUES Account # and any other related issues

This form 56 is to serve as NOTICE of the Hearing date that is set for 05/23/2024, and as an addendum to the previous forms which was emailed on 05/21/2024.

Part II Revocation or Termination of Notice

Section A—Total Revocation or Termination

- 6 Check this box if you are revoking or terminating all prior notices concerning fiduciary relationships on file with the Internal Revenue Service for the same tax matters and years or periods covered by this notice concerning fiduciary relationship Reason for termination of fiduciary relationship. Check applicable box: a Court order revoking fiduciary authority b Certificate of dissolution or termination of a business entity c Other. Describe: SEE PART V

Section B—Partial Revocation

- 7a Check this box if you are revoking earlier notices concerning fiduciary relationships on file with the Internal Revenue Service for the same tax matters and years or periods covered by this notice concerning fiduciary relationship b Specify to whom granted, date, and address, including ZIP code.

Section C—Substitute Fiduciary

- 8 Check this box if a new fiduciary or fiduciaries have been or will be substituted for the revoking or terminating fiduciary and specify the name(s) and address(es), including ZIP code(s), of the new fiduciary(ies) Notice of appt. Office of Sec of Treasury c/o Janet Yellen, Office of the Treasury, Office on Insp. Gen c/o Michael E. Horowitz, successors, or assignors.

Part III Court and Administrative Proceedings

Name of court (if other than a court proceeding, identify the type of proceeding and name of agency) Date proceeding initiated MUNICIPAL COURT OF RECORD OF THE CITY OF ANGLETON 01/05/2024 Address of court Docket number of proceeding 120 S. CHENANGO STREET City or town, state, and ZIP code Date Time Place of other proceedings ANGLETON, TX 77515 05/23/24 8:30 a.m.

Part IV Signature

Under penalties of perjury, I declare that I have examined this document, including any accompanying statements, and to the best of my knowledge and belief, it is true, correct, and complete. Please Sign Here Fiduciary's signature Title, if applicable Date

Part V

The original Assignor signed Form 56-Fiduciary contract is to remain with the ASSIGNOR, therefore with this copy you have 3 days as your Right to choice, to sign the contract or not to sign but if you chose not to sign you are then required to vacate your present office of American Maritime Commercial Monetary Fiduciary responsibility because you have dishonored the Office. Either way after 3 days a copy of the accepted or rejected decision is required to be returned to the ASSIGNOR. Upon acceptance it is then under the 3 day Rule of Law to have it resolved or settles; with all remaining RES-I-DUE returned to the ASSIGNOR.

As the ASSIGNEE / RE- ASSIGNEE of this Fiduciary Action, you are now under a Form of exposure to the Law that is needed to bring about the Resolve and Settlement of the above identified Civil 'Maritime Commercial' Account, for the proper disposition of the Residue. This action is the original LESSOR's demand for Rent Due from the government LESSOR per the government Maritime Commercial Monetary Securities addressed in this Commercial Account by this Office and Flag of Land Admiral, the Maritime EXECUTOR; also known as the original Assignor / Re-assignor / Asserter.

Assignor Re- assignor / Asserter. By: [Signature] - Auth. Rep.

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C/O INTERNAL REVENUE SERVICE  
ATLANTA, GA 30309

Memo XXX-XX-3088

*For Account A0015661 + A0015661V-1 By:  
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JUDICIAL DISTRICT  
OF HARRIS COUNTY, TEXAS

\_\_\_\_\_  
plaintiff )  
v. )SS.  
JUDGE \_\_\_\_\_  
JUDGE \_\_\_\_\_  
defendant's

STATE OF TEXAS  
COUNTY OF HARRIS

DECLARATION OF POLITICAL STATUS PRIVATE INDIGENOUS ABORIGEN BORN AMERICAN

AFFIDAVIT OF FACTS

1. My name is \_\_\_\_\_
2. I \_\_\_\_\_ is a Living Breathing Soul created by God
3. I \_\_\_\_\_ Bleeds when my Flesh is cut.
4. I \_\_\_\_\_ born on the soil of the land
5. I \_\_\_\_\_ is not a resident of District of Columbia
6. I \_\_\_\_\_ am not the ALL CAP TYPED STYLED NAME \_\_\_\_\_
7. I \_\_\_\_\_ is a Indigenous to the soil and land of Turtle Island/North America
8. I \_\_\_\_\_ Reserve All My Living Breathing Without Prejudice living on this land
9. I \_\_\_\_\_ uDo Not Consent" to no Contract without with any Entity without my full knowledge

and understand and a meeting of the minds.

10. I \_\_\_\_\_ Type Style Name is \_\_\_\_\_

Signed on \_\_\_ day of \_\_ 2022

INDIVIDUAL ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

BEFORE ME, THE UNDERSIGNED AUTHORITY, on this day personally appeared the person know by me to be \_\_\_\_\_ who, after being by me fully sworn, testified as follows:

My Name is \_\_\_\_\_ I am over the age 18 and I am competent to testify to these matters. I have personally knowledge of all such facts are true and correct

 /s/ \_\_\_\_\_

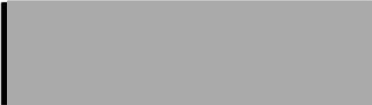
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MUNICIPAL COURT – ROSENBERG, TEXAS (Case#19-63985)  
MAYOR OF ROSENBERG, TEXAS  
COMMISSIONER OF POLICE, ROSENBERG, TEXAS  
GOVERNOR OF TEXAS & GOVERNORS OF VARIOUS U.S. STATES  
SENATORS & CONGRESSMAN  
INVESTOR RELATIONSHIP - CAPITAL ONE  
INVESTOR RELATIONSHIP - LIBERTY MUTUAL INSURANCE  
INVESTOR RETALTIONSHIP - AMERIPRISE INSURANCE

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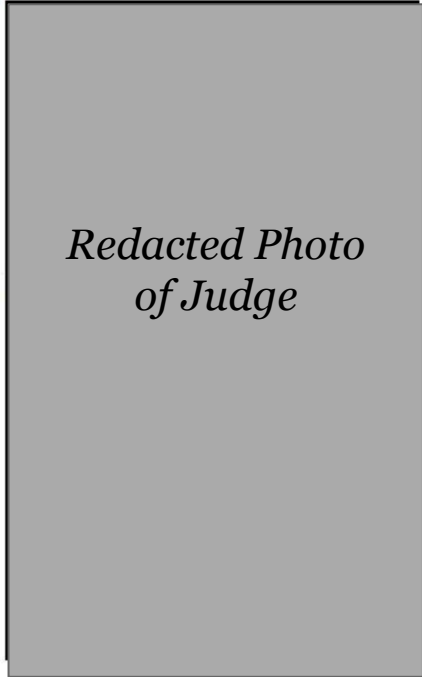
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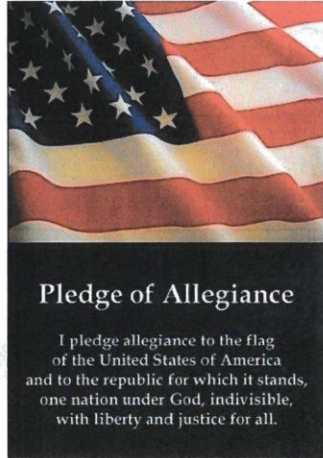


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3. Please send recording of speeding and also adjacent cars taken by Police.

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5. How you comprised the "Driving History" ?
6. Do you know my Profession?
7. I want all my correspondences back in Municipal Court Letter with your signature.
8. What was sent in Certified Mail 7019 1640 0001 0090 3443 under U.S. Government PS Form 3800 costed \$ 6.95 dated May 12, 2020
9. You know the meaning of "Judge"  
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 a. One who makes estimates as to worth, quality, or fitness: a good **judge** of used cars; a poor **judge** of character.
10. You are in violation of "Pledge of Allegiance".



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