The Truth About Larry Becraft and the "Federal Income Tax"



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During my seventeen year fight with the IRS, I had cause to know a great many tax justice activists. One of them was Larry Becraft.

Let me share the content an internal memo that all DISTRICT DIRECTORS of the IRS received from Roscoe L. Egger, Jr., Commissioner of Internal Revenue, on April 4, 1985 --- just over 32 years ago---and I quote:

"On March 5, 1985, a charge of tax evasion was filed in U.S. District Court in Indianapolis, Indiana, by U.S. Attorney George Duncan. The charges were dismissed! The defense attorney, Lowell ["Larry"] Becraft of Huntsville, Alabama, presented irrefutable evidence that the 16th Amendment to the U.S. Constitution was never properly ratified.

This amendment which established the "income tax" was signed into law despite serious defects. In reality, only two States [mind you, these were all Territorial "States of States" at this time] ratified the amendment and ratification requires 36 states to be valid.

The effect of this is such that every tax paid into the Treasury since 1913, is due and refundable to every citizen and business.

The official position of the service is, as it has always been to aid and assist the citizens of the United States. [Read that as 14th Amendment citizens subscribed under the Public Charitable Trust, not American state nationals.] We will not publish or advertise this finding as a total immediate refund would cause a serious drain on the resources of the Treasury. For those citizens who become aware of this finding and apply for a total refund, expedite their refund documents as quickly and quietly as possible.

A simple 1040X form will suffice until a new form is designed and printed. Advise each of your managers that they are not to discuss this situation with anyone. There will be no written communications and you are to destroy this memorandum.

The Secretary of the Treasury assures me that there will be no reduction in the workforce as this refunding activity will take a minimum of 5 years to complete. Further directions will be forwarded as the need arises.

Roscoe L. Egger, Jr.
Commissioner of Internal Revenue" ----unquote.

Now, amazing as this may be for those unfamiliar with it, the backstory is even more amazing. The fact discussed herein, that the 16th Amendment was never ratified, was discovered by Bill Benson, a mild-mannered former State of Illinois employee who, after his retirement, made it his personal mission to track down the state ratification documents from all then-48 states.

Bill traveled from one end of the country to the other on his own dime, plus whatever donations friends and fellow-seekers could give him. It was a grueling and thankless task, but he persevered.

Finally, he published all his findings complete with the certified copies proving his statements in a set of coffee table-sized books in two volumes called, The Law that Never Was.

Besides this obviously secretive memo from Commissioner Egger, we have all Bill's original research documenting the facts. The Internal Revenue Service and, unavoidably, the "Federal Government" knew that they were collecting income taxes under false presumptions----illegally--- thirty-two years ago, but they kept right on purloining money out of your paychecks just the same. And Larry Becraft?

Larry padded his own pockets and made a name for himself, but he did diddly squat toward fully informing the rest of us, and he never bothered to explain WHY the ratification of the 16th Amendment by the states was never completed and never even seriously attempted.

Strictly speaking, the 16th Amendment to the Federal Constitution was never ratified, because it didn't have to be ratified by the states.

Why not? Because the "states" that the 16th Amendment applied to were all Territorial "States of States" operating under the Federal Constitution adopted in 1868, and that constitution was only a private set of Articles of Incorporation that "adopted" the actual Constitution almost word for word, so as to deceive and defraud the American states and people. The "States of States" were only franchises of the United States of America, Inc.

Because this so-called look-alike, sound-alike "constitution" was in fact only a set of deceptive Articles of Incorporation, its amendments are merely By-Laws that can be voted up or down by the Board of Directors--- the renegade "United States Congress" acting as the plenary government of the Territories and Possessions.

And that's the kind of duplicitous, evil crappola that we have been putting up with in this country for 150 years, thank you very much, American Bar Association and guilty-as-sin politicians and bureaucrats.

While Larry Becraft padded his pockets and plumped up his reputation as a Freedom Fighter, Bill Benson was viciously and repeatedly attacked by the IRS and federal prosecutors. He was valiantly defended by Jeffrey Dickstein to the bitter end. My understanding (correct me if I am wrong) is that Bill Benson died alone and in federal prison, after being denied medications he needed to live.

Those federal prosecutors knew that Bill Benson never knowingly, willingly, consented to be considered a "United States Citizen" much less a "citizen of the United States", but they used the false evidence provided by their own racketeering activities as the excuse to prosecute him as such. They knew that he wasn't ever actually a "Withholding Agent" ---that is, a Warrant Officer in the US Merchant Marines, either.

They knew, but they were intent on inflicting vengeance on an American Retiree, whose only sin was exposing the truth of their own massive fraud against the American states and people.

It is more than past time for the swamp to be drained. Completely drained. All alligators removed. And the dried out plot should be replanted as a nice flower garden on the restructured Capitol Mall in memory of Bill Benson and Jeff Dickstein and all those who acted with courage and good faith in the face of this monstrous evil.

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