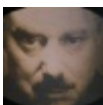


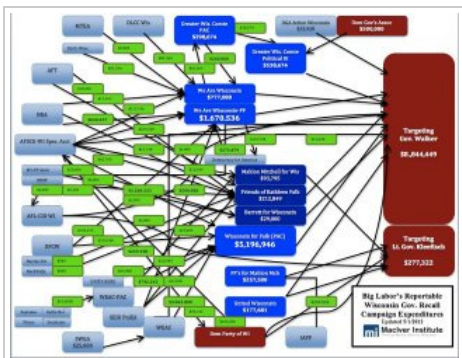
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Why are Labor Unions tax exempt yet still allowed to engage in political campaign funding when non-profit 501(c)3 organizations are forbidden from doing the same? Why are Labor Unions permitted to engage in politics at all?



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\$8 million dollars (and counting) in outside union cash already poured into recall races.

By: Vicki McKenna

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**Buddy Shipley** ALL labor unions are parasites, they produce nothing, they fund themselves by leaching cash from workers, and ensure that flow of cash by imposing ever-greater demands on employers to pay their workers more, so the workers can continue paying the union thugs for "protection."

The net effect of labor unions is increased costs for all goods and services that consumers buy, just as the net effect of corporate taxation is increased costs for all goods and services that consumers buy. In the end, consumers always get it in the end; like all parasites, labor unions are a burden on the economy and society.  
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**Meredith DeVencenty Rudolph** The teachers union wants to hire a federal moderator in the open negotiations in Douglas County.  
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**Buddy Shipley** If I had my way I'd fire every last one of them.  
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**Dave Riddle** Because of the 5th and 6th Clauses of the 1st Amendment  
"...the right of the people peaceably to assemble, and to petition the Government for a redress of grievances."

The same reason that Churches and members of Churches should not be penalized for exercising theirs. Exercising your rights under the 2nd Clause of the 1st Amendment does not eliminate your ability to exercise the balance of your guaranteed rights.  
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**Buddy Shipley** rapid-fire double-post!  
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**Dave Riddle** Now obviously the Government HAS given some labor Unions an advantage

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**Buddy Shipley** No one is suggesting that teachers or anyone else should be prevented from peaceably assembling or petitioning the Government for whatever reason!

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**Dave Riddle** What did you mean by this then?

"Why are Labor Unions permitted to engage in politics at all?"

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**Buddy Shipley** ALL LABOR UNIONS NEED TO GO AWAY

There is no justification whatsoever for labor unions to exist into perpetuity. Labor unions produce absolutely NOTHING, they are parasites on the backs of the workers and businesses and taxpayers. Labor unions are allegedly formed for the purpose of collective bargaining; representing employees grievances or demands to the employees' employer. Once that bargaining is completed, the union should be dissolved, NOT funded forever like another bad government program. Instead, employees are duped into funding the union for their entire working career, as if there is no limit to what they can or should force their employers to give them or do for them. For union members to maintain these labor unions forever proves only that the union members have not negotiated in good faith, but that they have every intention of demanding still more concessions, more benefits, higher wages, ad nauseam. Where is the integrity?

Furthermore, rather than "organized labor" -- fellow employees uniting to negotiate their own collective bargaining with their employer -- employees usually actually outsource the task to organized Labor Unions. Labor Unions are themselves a business, with their own plant and materials and fulltime employees. It is therefore in the best interest of the Labor Unions to favor aversion to agreement and to foment constant conflict, thereby reaffirming the illusion of their raison d'être and ensure a constant revenue stream by way of union dues. Organized labor is no different than organized crime.

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**Meredith DeVencenty Rudolph** Dave, I am not following your logic. What does that have to do with unions? People can do this without a union, correct?

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**Dave Riddle** Sure they can. However, does the 1st Amendment guarantee specify the form that an assemblage can take? Of course not. When libs get all up in arms about Citizens United I simply ask the question is the New York Times a corporation?

A corporation is itself merely an assemblage of people too.

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**Meredith DeVencenty Rudolph** oh, ok. I do not believe that a union is just an assemblage of people. I think that they are a legal mafioso.

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**Mark Abukoff** Buddy you have it right. Labor unions exist to feed themselves. The same as liberals.

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**Buddy Shipley** NO ONE is forced to fund the NY Times, no one is forced to read that rag. Such is not the case for government (public) schools.

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**Dave Riddle** In your opinion (and in mine to some extent too). However that is the beauty of the 1st Amendment. Surely you would not want a lib to ban a group like the Tea Party, etc... merely because they dislike what they have to say?

Now you are being disingenuous. Funding Public Schools with Tax Dollars and Government collecting Union Dues out of the wages paid to Public School Workers are two completely different issues.

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**Buddy Shipley** Dave Riddle, please consider:

Why are Labor Unions tax exempt yet still allowed to engage in political campaign funding when non-profit 501(c)3 organizations and the like are forbidden from doing the same? Why are Labor Unions permitted to engage in politics at all??!

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**Dave Riddle** I did consider it since I CLEARLY said "The same reason that Churches and should not be penalized for exercising theirs. " You still have not answered my question t.....



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**Buddy Shipley** Also, if I controlled Boeing I would relocate all of my business out of Washington state JUST to get out from under the thumb of the state-supported labor union parasites & thugs. F#\$% them! Ditto, California.

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**Buddy Shipley** UNIONS are NOT churches!

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**Dave Riddle** But they are an assembly of people

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**Buddy Shipley** UNIONS are not political parties, in fact, as I stated above, as non-profit organizations, labor unions are legally banned from politics! (Technically, so are churches.)

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**Dave Riddle** Which is why the laws banning them from political participation and your call to eliminate them are unconstitutional. The 1st Amendment does not specify the form an assembly of people can take

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**Meredith DeVencenty Rudolph** I do not mind anyone exercising their first amendment. Buddy has a good point in being "forced to participate" in unions especially in the public sector. I do not despise private sector unions as much IF the customer is allowed to chose a alternative company. In some state you cannot hire a plumber without going through a union, this is wrong and it interferes with the free market. All Labor unions in general, go out of their way to protect the below average at the expense of their true performers.

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**Mark Abukoff** Dave, I saw no Churches funding and organizing Occupy movements. I see no churches funding political attack ads. I do see churches attacked by our Occupier in Chief. And a church-goer is not a tax exempt organization. Unions are nothing but lobbyists in sheep's clothing and should not be tax exempt.

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**Dave Riddle** Red Herring Alert! Good grief talk about dishonest debate.

1. As long as the idiots at OWS are being peaceful in their protest who cares?
2. Does the 1st Amendment say that you can only advertize nice pleasant political ads?
3. Partially correct the Church goer is not tax exempt, but his donations to his church are tax deductible. The Union member with his forced (or even voluntary dues) is not tax exempt either, nor are his dues tax deductible (I believe)
4. So you want to eliminate the right to assemble and petition the government for some people but not for others?

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**Dave Riddle** I'm not defending Unions. I LOVE living in a Right to Work State and ALL states should provide their Workers that freedom. I will however defend anyone's right to express their point of view. That is the purpose of the 1st Amendment. Not to guarantee speech you agree with but to guarantee the right of people to express speech that you disagree with

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**Mark Abukoff** How many political ads do you see paid for by churches? That's the question. Oh, and by peaceful OWS do you mean the rapes, murders, and "kill a few cops to get attention" funded by my union dues?

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**Dave Riddle** More dishonesty?

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1. I don't see any political ads paid for by Churches. So what? I think if they want to they should be able to.  
 2. Did you skip over or merely fail to comprehend "As long as the idiots at OWS are being peaceful..." IF they cease to be peaceful then they are CLEARLY violating the 1st Amendment aren't they?  
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**Mark Abukoff** How am I being dishonest? I will congratulate you Dave. You are the perfect liberal.  
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**Dave Riddle** HAHAHHA... You were patently dishonest when you tried to put words in my mouth about OWS. I said as long as they were being peaceful and then you asked if I meant rape to be peaceful. That is dishonest and you should at least be willing to admit it  
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**Dave Riddle** Perfect liberal? That is funny. Nope. I'm more a Classic Liberal.  
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**Buddy Shipley** I have to get to work, so I'll leave you with this for now:  
 1. You are assuming the 1st Amendment covers outsourcing speech to unions and that public sector unions should even be permitted to exist.

2. What did any of us say that is dishon...

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**Dave Riddle** 1. You are assuming that it does not. The Constitution is a list of enumerated rights (meaning negative rights to the Federal government) and leaves the balance of power to the States and the People. It does NOT say how those rights are to be exercised by the people. You are taking the Big Government position and seeking to establish a limitation on the peoples rights.

2. I did not say ads other then in response to your bringing them up. You want to eliminate Unions from having a voice. Tell me I'm wrong on that.

3. Then the law limited 501c3 from speaking is unconstitutional, as I already said.

4. Did you miss the part where I ask Libs if the NYT is a corporation?

5. Red Herring. A Union that crosses state boundaries is protected in it's speech. Same as for a Church that crosses state boundaries. The UN and it's members are FOREIGN entities and thus do not enjoy the same rights and privileges of Citizens

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**Mark Abukoff** Dave, believe what you want. You probably think Obama is a great president too. I'm happy that my military service and union dues helps to give you the freedom to "know things that just aren't so". But I'm finished talking to you. If I thought there was a point to it, to get you to reconsider your ideas, I would. But there is no point. And if things don't work out for you in November, might I suggest Cuba or North Korea? Based on what you've said I think you'll be happy in either place

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**Dave Riddle** What a tool. You have not an inkling of my background yet you ASS-ume to think you can throw service to my country at me?

You want government to dictate to people to whom you disagree when and how they can speak. Seems like you would be happier in Cuba or the DPRK then I .

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**Roman L. Tafoya** Cuz its the donkey way of doing things ala voter fraud etc etc...

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**Dave Riddle** For you education if things had worked out as I wanted in November then Mitch Daniels would be ready to beat Obama like a drum. That did not work out and my second choice, Gary Johnson, dropped out of the race in December.

Therefore I'm hoping that Romney serves the eviction notice to kick Obama out of Public Housing.  
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