

## Effecting Constitutional Change: It's Simple

Fixing the constitutional underpinnings of our corrupted politics and government seems an impossible task. The very constitutional provisions that permit the tyranny of a well-financed minority – the Electoral College, the unequally representative Senate, the Supreme Court extension of free speech to political contributions, and the right of states to control how elections are run – are the ones that prevent easy change!

The problem seems insurmountable. Decades of efforts by think tanks, nonprofit advocacies, and academia have made some, but scant, progress in overcoming these obstacles. But pragmatic analysis of alternatives reveals a path to effect the changes needed. Once that least difficult path is identified, the resources of reform can be focused upon it. Here's the critical insight.

**The unholy alliance of self-serving politicians, wealthy donors, corporations, and media propagandists must be broken.** Until this is done, all else is noise. Sorry, but that's the reality.

How, you say, can this be done?

A near-military operation is needed to replace the stranglehold that the established political party duopoly has on constitutional change. It will require two of the three pillars of military strategy: *intelligence* (to identify opponents' weaknesses) and *firepower* (to overcome resistance).

**The weak link** is the profit formula enabling creation and maintenance of an alternate reality by Fox News and all the less-powerful bottom feeders its programming lends credence to. By adding risk of financial and legal liability to harm-causing propaganda and its algorithmic distribution – as described in another paper [here](#) – the true reality of the impact of the unholy alliance on the mass of the electorate can be impressed upon those blinded by grievance-energized tribalism.

*Until Trump cultists are embarrassed into realizing they have been hoodwinked into believing they are voting in their own interest, they cannot and will not give up their tribal loyalties.* The sanitizing light of truth can only be brought to them by their trusted sources of information: therefore, a necessary, if insufficient, condition is the multiplication of liabilities like Dominion Voting Systems' \$787 million penalty on Fox until it is forced to renounce its alternate reality programming. This is underway.

Pricking the alternate reality information bubble supporting the unholy alliance is an enabler. But firepower is needed to achieve the political power to overcome massive resistance by that alliance.

**That firepower** can only come with overwhelming funding of an ethical political party that can take control of the existing constitutional system with a commitment to pass amendments to the Constitution.

Think clearly about this: is there really any practical alternative?

1% of the wealth of those at right, or 2% of half of them, would likely be sufficient to perform at the federal level what Michael Bloomberg self-financed for his 2002 mayoralty election in New York City – a winning election campaign. Preceded by the pricking of the information bubble, this would stand a chance at success.

**A campaign to convince the ethical billionaires to form, fund and support a Bloomberg-like candidate for president along with supporting federal legislative candidates** stands a better chance of success than as continuation of under-funded public education and legislative pressure campaigns by today's non-profit advocacies.

Rank ↕	Name ↕	Net worth in billion US\$ ↕
1	<a href="#">Elon Musk</a>	180
2	<a href="#">Jeff Bezos</a>	114
3	<a href="#">Bill Gates</a>	135.8
4	<a href="#">Larry Ellison</a>	119.5
5	<a href="#">Mark Zuckerberg</a>	117.5
6	<a href="#">Larry Page</a>	117.3
7	<a href="#">Warren Buffett</a>	115.6
8	<a href="#">Sergey Brin</a>	113.1
9	<a href="#">Steve Ballmer</a>	99.9
10	<a href="#">Michael Bloomberg</a>	69
11	<a href="#">Jim Walton</a>	67.2
12	<a href="#">Alice Walton</a>	66.3
13	<a href="#">Rob Walton</a>	66.0
14	<a href="#">Michael Dell</a>	59.0
15	<a href="#">Phil Knight</a>	57.9
16	<a href="#">MacKenzie Scott</a>	54.7
17	<a href="#">Charles Koch</a>	54.2
18	<a href="#">Julia Koch</a>	54.2
19	<a href="#">Len Blavatnik</a>	36.8
20	<a href="#">Stephen A. Schwarzman</a>	34.5
21	<a href="#">John Franklyn Mars</a>	33.9
22	<a href="#">Jacqueline Mars</a>	33.9
23	<a href="#">Leonard Lauder</a>	29.8
24	<a href="#">Miriam Adelson</a>	28.1
25	<a href="#">Dan Gilbert</a>	26.6