



Introduction

Choosing between democracy and Shariah Law is a choice between civilization and barbarism. Loss of Constitutional rights by any one group of Americans for any reason can never be allowed. If we permit this kind of special legal exception, then we step into the disaster of the current European situation in which there are enclaves of Islamic militancy where non-Muslims never dare tread.

In preparation for the mid-term elections on November 2nd, we are asking all Senators and Congressmen to take a position. Along with other important domestic issues, their assessment of the dangers of Shariah Law should be a major concern for voting Americans.

We are trying to assess the possibility of holding hearings leading to legislation opposing Shariah Law. Ultimately we would like for each candidate to produce a position paper to inform voters prior to the mid-term elections.

The letter addressed to 535 Senators and Congressmen follows along with a FAQ sheet (Frequently Asked Questions) and 3 Shariah-related items of concern directed to the candidates.

Stop Shariah Law in the United States of America!





A Call for Action - Protect America from Shariah Law

Dear Representative,

A coalition of concerned Americans have come together under the name of **Democracy Under Attack**.

Our goal is threefold:

1. To educate the public about a growing threat to our American way of life from an ideologically based system known as Shariah Law, a system that is incompatible with our Constitution way of life
2. To raise awareness of our legislators about this increasing threat
3. To urge that Congressional hearings be held leading to implementation of legislation to protect this nation from further encroachment of Shariah law into our society

Shariah Law, often referred to as “Islamic Law,” is a doctrine based on the Quran and Hadith (sayings and acts of Mohammed), but one which goes far beyond what Westerners would regard as religious matters or routine legal matters. It is, in fact, a cultural, political, legal and financial system of mandatory laws and punishment in addition to the religious component. Shariah governance is complex and all-encompassing, controlling every aspect of life.

Examples include: fostering Jihadist terrorism, denigration of non-Muslim religions (a dhimmi culture), lack of a humanitarian court and trial system, inequality for women and barbaric punishment such as stoning to death (honor killings) and mutilation of women, girls (see August 9 Time Magazine) and suspected thieves, child abuse such as promoting early childhood indoctrination for suicide bombing, mandatory death for homosexuals and apostates (those who convert to any religion other than Islam), any perceived sexual impropriety by women (such as talking to an unrelated male friend) or not wearing distinctive attire, and corporal punishment for those who speak critically of these practices. These components of Shariah contradict the fundamental basis of our constitutional republic.

Our Coalition members are increasingly alarmed at the inroads being made into our society to implement various facets of Shariah, notably Shariah Compliant Financing. We see the advent of new isolated communities that practice only Shariah Law, such as Dearborn, MI, disturbingly similar to what is happening in European countries.

We believe that the controversy over the propriety of building the Ground Zero Mega-Mosque is an outgrowth of a slowly increasing suspicion of the true motives for its construction. While the construction in itself is not directly one aspect of Shariah, still, the location and the meaning of the name chosen for the Mosque - Cordoba - is significant to those whose goals are imposition of Shariah on a worldwide basis. Our web site provides further discussion of this significance.

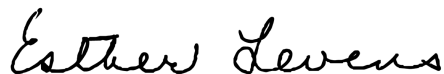
We wish to make it clear that our growing concern is not to be interpreted as an indictment of all those of the Muslim faith. It is based on what we see throughout the world where application of Shariah by a significant percentage of Shariah inspired Muslims has wrought terrible destruction and suffering and death to untold millions.

The Democracy Under Attack Coalition is asking our elected officials at all levels to accept our stated goals and share our concern regarding the imminent danger to America from Shariah Law. We ask our legislators to learn more about how Shariah law negates constitutional law, to educate your constituents and to state your position opposing it while campaigning for reelection in November.

Each legislator must answer the question: will we compromise the Constitution to accommodate Shariah law or will we take action now to protect our Constitution? Does Congress fully understand the incremental inroads Shariah law has made in our society? And will Congress take steps to prohibit Sharia Law?

Time is of the essence. We are calling on legislators to make their positions known now. We feel that immediate action is necessary to preserve democracy and guarantee constitutional freedom for all Americans.

Respectfully,


Esther Levens,
Democracy Under Attack

**We will appreciate your answers to the following 3 questions.
Please fax them to: Democracy Under Attack - 913.648.7997**

Question:

Will you make an assessment of the dangers to the United States by the encroachment of Shariah law and take action accordingly to protect our Constitution?

_____Yes _____No _____Maybe

Question:

Does Congress fully understand the incremental inroads Shariah law has made in our society?

_____Yes _____No _____Maybe

Question:

Will you support our request for a comprehensive Congressional *study*, along with an *annual report* on Shariah infiltration into 50 states, and hold *public hearings* to develop *legislation*?

_____Yes _____No _____Maybe

Signed by Representative _____

State _____ District _____

Thank you very much! Fax Democracy Under Attack - 913.648.7997

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS ABOUT SHARIAH

What is Shariah?

Shariah, often referred to as “Islamic Law,” is in actuality a legal doctrine based on the Quran and Hadith (sayings and acts of Mohammed), but one which goes far beyond what Westerners would regard as religious matters or routine legal matters.

What is covered by Shariah?

Shariah covers all aspects of life, including criminal law, domestic law, statecraft and warfare (Jihad). Shariah encompasses personal ethics and legal issues, religion and state governance, this world and the afterlife. Shariah is said to enforce the will of Allah, as opposed to the will of humans. Shariah regulates belief, speech and religious practice, criminal and legal matters, and other fields including finance and war. There is no such thing as a separate secular authority or secular law under doctrinal Shariah, since religion and state are not distinct, but are one.

How is Shariah related to violent Jihad?

Shariah mandates violent Jihad as a religious obligation. Violent Jihad’s purpose against non-Muslims or former Muslims is to establish Islam’s rule worldwide. The establishment of Shariah rule is a stated goal of Al Qaeda, the Taliban, Hezbollah, HAMAS, Al Shabaab, Abu Sayaf, Lashkar-e-Taiba, Jemaah Islamiya and other Jihadist known or designated terrorist organizations, as well as the Muslim Brotherhood.

Who interprets and rules on Shariah law?

Shariah is interpreted, adjudicated and substantially controlled by a relatively small group of Islamic Shariah scholars worldwide. Although there are differences among the six major schools of Shariah law, all have consensus on the major issues – which are also the tenets directly in conflict with the U.S. Constitution.

Where is Shariah enforced worldwide?

Shariah is the strict, exclusive law of the land or basis of that law in Saudi Arabia, Iran and Sudan. It is also enforced in Taliban-controlled areas of Afghanistan and Pakistan, as well as enclaves around the world controlled by violent Jihadist organizations. Shariah is either a parallel legal system or partly integrated into the legal systems of the other Islamic-majority nations, such as Egypt and Morocco. Some pro-Shariah groups such as the Muslim Brotherhood also support democratic elections as long as they result in governments, constitutions, legal systems and societies based on Shariah.

Where is Shariah appearing in the US?

Shariah is frequently encountered in family law cases across the USA today; in Shariah-compliant accommodations that may result in discrimination against non-Muslims; and in Shariah-Compliant Finance on Wall Street and in the U.S. government

Why are Shariah courts a problem, but Jewish and Christian courts are not a problem?

Unlike other forms of religious law, such as Jewish law or Catholic Canon law, Shariah does not just apply to Muslims; it applies to non-Muslims as well. Specifically, because neither Jewish law (halacha) nor Christian canon or ecclesiastical law obligates the Jew or Christian, respectively, to violently impose theo-political tenets in lieu of the Constitution, there is simply no basis to apply the laws of sedition to the application of Jewish law or Christian dogma within private religious or commercial contexts. While Jews and Christians may advocate and petition their government for laws that reflect their moral and theological worldview (as may Muslims or atheists), neither Jewish law nor Christian dogma permits the forceful imposition of a theocracy in lieu of representative government or the replacement of our constitution with theocratic legislation.

What are the recent initiatives against Shariah?

Tennessee and Louisiana have passed laws to prevent the infiltration of Shariah into their court systems. A ballot initiative to amend the Oklahoma constitution to prevent the infiltration of Shariah goes to a vote this November. Many more bills are reportedly in the planning stage for the 2011 Congress and state legislative sessions.

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