

# THE CONSTITUTION ISN'T THE PROBLEM. CHANGING IT ISN'T THE SOLUTION.



*If people won't obey the 10 Commandments,  
should we amend them?*

*If your spouse cheats on you,  
would you consider amending your marriage vows?*

*If public servants won't uphold the Constitution,  
why is amending it the solution?*



## LEADERS ON THE RIGHT WHO WANT TO CHANGE THE CONSTITUTION

"I'm just not sure if we need to amend at all." - [Mark Meckler, Founder, Convention of States \(COS\)\\*](#)

"Because sometimes what you need is not a change in personnel, you need a change in structure."  
- [Michael Farris, Director, Convention of States \(COS\)](#)

"Mr. Lewis' argument against [COS Application] is that it opens up all of the Articles, and that's true..."  
- [Robert Kelly, Staff Counsel, \(COS\)](#)

"The power to adopt rules for its proceedings is vested in the Convention itself..."  
- [Rita Dunaway, Staff Counsel, \(COS\)](#)

"I think the majority of Americans are too lazy to elect honest politicians. But I think some men and women could be found who are morally and intellectually capable of re-writing the Constitution."  
- [Jordan Sillars, Communications Director, \(COS\)](#)

"Some, and not without justification, fear this approach as too radical and too fraught with risks. Their concerns are rational. If we embark on this journey, we cannot be certain of the outcome."  
- [Jim Kinney, former Executive Director, \(COS\)](#)

"What's gonna stop him [President] from ignoring new amendments? Umm... it's a problem that we're going to face no matter if we go down our road or not."  
- [David Schneider, KS Director, \(COS\)](#)

(When Lyons was asked, "If we change the Constitution, what makes you think they'd obey their oath?" he responded, "There's no guarantee that they would."  
- [Gary Lyons, N.C. Director, \(COS\)](#)

"Initial suffrage is one state/one vote with decisions made by a majority of states, but the convention may change both rules."  
- [Rob Natelson, ALEC Article V Handbook, p. 16](#)

"If you ask a liberal he'll say 'what is a convention? What's Article V?' because we [conservatives] are the only ones that care about the Constitution."  
- [Kris Kobach, Kansas Secretary of State](#)

## LEADERS ON THE LEFT WHO WANT TO CHANGE THE CONSTITUTION

"It is time to re-write our Constitution." (Fidelity in Translation, Texas Law Review)  
- [Lawrence Lessig, Progressive Law Professor, Harvard Law School\\*](#)

"We want to occupy the states, to demand that the states call for a constitutional convention..."  
"We named it WOLF-PAC because we're coming for 'em."  
- [Cenk Uyger, Turkish-born Sunni-Muslim founder of The Young Turks and WOLF-PAC](#)

\*Professor Lessig and Tea Party Patriots co-founder Mark Meckler co-chaired the 2011 "Conference on the Constitutional Convention" See: <http://conconcon.org>

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