

The Bill of Rights Day Committee says:

The Fifth Amendment. It's not just for crooks!

You've heard news like this on TV:

"Mugsy 'The Vulture' Hooligan pleaded the Fifth when asked how the body of rival mobster Sammy 'Bonehead' Smithereens ended up embedded in his patio."

"During testimony about the vote-selling scheme he concocted with FatCat Industries, Rep. Snakeshaw took the Fifth Amendment 36 times."

Some weasel is always weaseling out of his crimes by "pleading the Fifth." The Fifth Amendment sounds like it doesn't do anything but help crooks get away with murder.

You might be surprised to learn that the Fifth Amendment also protects YOU. And protects you in many ways.

What is "the Fifth"?

First, the Fifth Amendment is part of the Bill of Rights. The Bill of Rights is an addition to the United States Constitution *that lists many things GOVERNMENT IS NOT ALLOWED TO DO TO US*. There are 10 sections (called amendments or articles) in the Bill of Rights.

The Fifth Amendment is one of those 10 articles and it has several parts. The part criminals and politicians are always using says "No person ... shall be compelled in any criminal case to be a witness against himself."

But there's more! The Fifth Amendment also declares:

- ✓ That the government can't just take your home or land for public use without paying you fairly.
- ✓ That you can't be arrested and thrown in jail without proper charges, hearings, and a trial.
- ✓ That a powerful person in government can't charge you with a major crime unless a grand jury of your fellow citizens first examines the evidence and gives its approval.
- ✓ That if you're found innocent in a trial a prosecutor with a grudge can't just keep bringing the same charges over and over again hoping to convict you.

The government is bigger and more powerful than we individuals are. And although we like to believe our own government is fair, that's just not always so! Throughout history, conniving government agents have stolen property or locked up enemies or used the courts to persecute, instead of legitimately prosecute, people they don't like. And lots of governments, right down to city hall, would like to take valuable land for their own use (or to hand over to their pals).



The Fifth Amendment – when it's honored and used fully – STOPS GOVERNMENT BAD GUYS COLD.

But today Americans are letting the government slowly sneak around ALL the amendments. The result is higher taxes, more regulation, and unfair treatment for millions and millions of people. Some people are getting locked up without trials. We are being forced to give evidence against ourselves (the big criminals, with their high-priced lawyers, get away with it; but we little guys are often forced to confess or give evidence against our will). Our property is being taken by government without fair pay (sometimes they let us keep the title to our land, but they put so many regulations on it we can't use our land or re-sell it for its real value).



We all need to stand up and ...

Protect the Fifth Amendment – so the Fifth Amendment will protect you!

Here's the actual text of the Fifth Amendment:

No person shall be held to answer for a capital, or otherwise infamous crime, unless on a presentment or indictment of a Grand Jury, except in cases arising in the land or naval forces, or in the Militia, when in actual service in time of War or public danger; nor shall any person be subject for the same offence to be twice put in jeopardy of life or limb; nor shall be compelled in any criminal case to be a witness against himself, nor be deprived of life, liberty, or property, without due process of law; nor shall private property be taken for public use, without just compensation.

It's time to put a stop to abuse of our freedoms. It's time for

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