

Secession?

From Staten Island to Quebec, Scotland to California, Chechnya to Texas, secession is in the air. Join us as we consider this ultimate challenge to centralized tyranny, in the first-ever academic conference on secession. Certainly the first without a pro-central state bias!



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We'll study "Secession, State, and Economy" at the College of Charleston in Charleston, South Carolina, on April 7-9, 1995.

Our speakers will include top economists, historians, and political philosophers. Winners of the Mises Institute's international competition will be joined by such eloquent spokesmen as former Congressman Ron Paul, Professor Clyde Wilson of the University of South Carolina, Professor Hans-Hermann Hoppe of the University of Nevada, Las Vegas, Professor Yuri Maltsev of Carthage College, Professor Joseph Salerno of Pace University, and Dr. David Gordon of the Mises Institute.

And what better place to meet? Charleston—hotbed of America's two great secessions, against Britain and D.C.—is an appropriate site. After all, both events were tax rebellions, with the federal tax-collection office at Fort Sumter taking the first shots in 1861. High taxes are helping drive contemporary secession movements, as is the arrogance, cost, and brutality of central-state power.

All over the world, peoples are seeking their freedom from faraway power. That's what the 10th Amendment movement is really all about. And given the secessionist sentiments of Ludwig von Mises and Murray N. Rothbard, the Mises Institute is the appropriate organization to host such a gathering.

Certainly now is the time to discuss these issues. Thomas Jefferson worried most about "consolidated" government, the centralized state that would wipe out individual and local rights. That's why he wanted a revolution every 20 years or so.



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