QUESTIONS FROM READERS

DEAR SENTINEL

Q: It seems well established that legally, gold and silver can be the only legal tender in the states. Do you know of any state that has laws to support this?

A: Our neighbor state, Rhode Island, has some interesting references. R.I. General Law, Volume #9, General Index, provides phrases and words and how they legally apply within the state. The law book states that the main headings and their meanings were determined from R.I. and U.S. Constitutions plus Supreme Court. If you look up "TENDER" in the above volume you will find the following reference:

TENDER,

Legal tender... U.S. Constitution, Article 1 Section 10.

There is no other reference to "legal tender" in any of the R.I. General Laws that I could find. So be it!!

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Q: I partially understand that a citizen is not really obligated to show books and records to the IRS. Is there anything in "black and white" I could quote at an audit attempt?

A: Yes, there are several, but let's take it right from their own literature! (IRS Manual MT 9900-26, Section 242.12)

242.12 BOOKS AND RECORDS OF AN INDIVIDUAL

1. "An individual taxpayer MAY REFUSE to exhibit his books and records for examination on the grounds that compelling him to do so might violate his right against self-incrimination under the Fifth Amendment and constitute an illegal search and seizure under the Fourth Amendment...

2. He is required to appear...He cannot refuse to BRING his records, BUT, MAY DECLINE TO SUBMIT THEM for inspection, on Constitutional grounds."

"Self-incrimination" really means "a witness against yourself." You do not "incriminate" yourself by exercising your rights!!

MEETING NEWS

ACR MEETING SCHEDULE

April 7
April 23 (cancelled)**
May 12

All meetings are held at the VFW Hall on Dean St. in Norwood, Ma. at 7:30 pm unless otherwise noted.

Feb. 25th turned out to be another Irwin Schiff block buster as a packed house listened to Irwin explain voluntary compliance and other points of his new book, "How Anyone Can Stop Paying Income Taxes". Irwin's trial transcript brought laughs from the audience as he quoted from the transcript the judges view of voluntary compliance being compulsory and how complelled testimoney would be admitted as evidence because it was voluntary in nature. In addition to the ridiculousness of the judges statement, Irwin went on to show how the IRS Code is a masterpiece of deception, and how words such as "must" and "shall" are used to confuse the public into thinking "required by law". Thanks, Irwin, for another very informative night with ACR.

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The March 10 meeting turned out to be a double header as members Lou Laudani and Clarles Westgate took the evening. Lou is running for Congressman of the 5th District to replace Congressman Shannon in the upcoming elections and gave the members an idea of the platform he is running on. Some of the main points were the bogus money issue, the tax rebellion, getting the government out of our lives and public schools, and restoring the Constitution as a binding force on government. Lou is asking for support in hiscampaign against Shannon. As far as Shannon goes (always give the other side a chance) his platform is support for the Montary Control Act, giving the Fed unlimited power to print FRN's.... ..he claims that Massachusetts is not ignoring the Constitution by demanding taxes in paper money.....he also believes that the paper currency(issued by the Fed) is printed by the Treasury Dept. .....and that the paper money represents and equivalent in gold! So, there are some facts to help you make up your mind. Lou is running on the Libertarian ticket.
Charlie Westgate finished up the evening with a talk on Earnest Letter Writing and how we all can approached the politicians in an intelligent and organized manner via the written word. The pen has always proved mightier than the sword and Charlie proved it with his recent house bill H-5807 which will be going before the Mass. Senate for hearings. We must let our public servants know that we are alive and kicking and the proper letters can make that point ring very clear.

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