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**A MEMORIAL DAY LETTER  
TO THE NEWLY COMMISSIONED OFFICERS  
OF THE UNITED STATES ARMED SERVICES**

To the 2011 Graduates of the United States Military Academies

The United States of America is full of patriotism. In every month of the year there is at least one activity that is celebrated patriotically, whether it is conscious or sub-conscious, whether it is silent or publicly joyful. An example of a Patriotic Year in the United States of America is as follows:

**JANUARY:** *Martin Luther King Day* is January 15th. Reverend Martin Luther King Jr. was a civil rights activist who led the civil rights movement for African-Americans, indeed a call to all Americans in the United States of America to end discrimination and establish racial equality. His most famous speech is *I Have A Dream*, delivered in Washington, D.C. on August 28, 1963. His birthday became a national holiday in 1986. Since the year 2000 it is celebrated in all 50 states.

**FEBRUARY:** The third Monday in February is *Presidents Day*. It was originally Washington's Birthday (February 22nd) in honor of George Washington, the first President of the United States of America, and began as a federal holiday for government offices in Washington, D.C. in 1880. On January 1, 1971 the federal holiday was shifted to the third Monday in February to honor all American Presidents.

**MARCH:** March 17th is *Saint Patrick's Day*. It is a holiday in Irish-heritage regions and parts of cities in the United States that celebrates Irish culture and honors Saint Patrick. This day has no direct connection with American patriotism. At the same time we must realize that Irish-Americans are also patriotic Americans who are proud of their origins and particularly the United States of America because of the freedoms they enjoy in the United States.

**APRIL:** Between March 22nd and April 25th is *Easter*, a Christian, religious holiday. It is associated with patriotism in the sense that the Judeo-Christian world is the basis of law and culture in the Western World and the United States. Judeo-Christian thought promotes good citizenship and ethical standards. Judeo-Christian philosophy provided the moral underpinning for the creed of the *Declaration of Independence* and the

freedoms guaranteed by the *Constitution for the United States of America*. In many states *Good Friday* is a holiday.

**MAY:** *Memorial Day* is celebrated on the last Monday in May to honor all of the servicemen and service women who died in defending the United States of America against aggression.

**JUNE:** June 14th is *Flag Day* as declared by President Woodrow Wilson 1916. This day commemorates the adoption of the United States Flag by the Second Continental Congress in 1777. It is not an official holiday, except in Pennsylvania. However, it is an opportunity to celebrate its meaning and symbolism, as well as to honor those who fought to establish the United States of America.

**JULY:** The Fourth of July is *Independence Day* that celebrates the adoption of the *Declaration of Independence* by the First Continental Congress in 1776. In a letter to Abigail Adams, the later President John Adams said that "It ought to be solemnized with Pomp and Parade, with Shews, Games, Sports, Guns, Bells, Bonfires and Illuminations from one End of this Continent to the other from this Time forward forever more." (<http://www.masshist.org/digitaladams/aea/cfm/doc.cfm?id=L17760703jasecond>.)

**AUGUST:** August 26th is *Women's Equality Day*. It is a public holiday. It honors the patriotic struggle of women to achieve equality. The day pays commemoration to two important anniversaries: the achieving of Woman Suffrage by the passage of the Nineteenth Amendment to the United States *Constitution* in 1920 and a nation-wide strike for Women's Equality in 1970.

**SEPTEMBER:** *Constitution Day* is September 17th. It is a memorial to the signing of the *Constitution for the United States of America* in 1787. It was formerly known as *Citizenship Day*. It became *Constitution Day* and a federal holiday in 2004.

September 11th is *Patriot Day*, a day of remembrance to memorialize the 2,977 casualties of the Islamic al-Qaeda terrorist attack on the World Trade Center, New York City in 2001.

**OCTOBER:** October 9th is *Leif Erikson Day*. Although not a federal holiday, Americans, particularly those of Nordic origin, celebrate it in honor of Leif Ericson, who was the first European to set foot on land in America. It is a patriotic remembrance of the real discovery of America.

**NOVEMBER:** The Tuesday following the first Monday in November is *Election Day*. Citizens vote for their officials at the local, state, and national levels. The first

presidential election to take place on this day was in 1848. The elections for the House of Representatives were moved to this day in 1872.

*Veterans Day* is November 11th. It honors all veterans of the United States Armed Services. It also memorializes the Armistice that ended World War I. President Dwight D. Eisenhower proclaimed it a federal holiday in 1954.

**DECEMBER:** December 7th is *Pearl Harbor Remembrance Day* to remember the attack on Pearl Harbor by the Japanese on December 7, 1941.

December 15th is *Bill of Rights Day*. On this day in 1791 the *Bill of Rights*, the first Ten Amendments, were added to the *Constitution*. On the 150th anniversary in 1941, President Franklin Delano Roosevelt declared it a federal holiday.



Patriotic celebrations no matter how large or small, no matter where they are celebrated, are extremely important for the United States of America and its citizens because such celebrations honor America's cultural past, present, and future. In the month of May there are two important patriotic days that are tied to each other by means of historical events.

The first patriotic day celebration is not an established date. Nevertheless, it is just as important as the federal and public, patriotic holidays. That day is when the graduates of the five service academies, The United States Military Academy (1802); The United States Naval Academy (1845); The United States Coast Guard Academy (1876); The United States Merchant Marine Academy (1942); and The United States Air Force Academy (1954), receive their university diplomas and their commissions as officers in the Armed Forces of the United States of America.

Congratulations Military Graduates! In this month of May you have completed eight semesters of university study and during the graduation events you have received commissions as officers in the respective branches of the United States Armed Forces. As such you will be joined by many other commissioned officers who received their training through the Reserve Officers Training Corps (ROTC) at participating universities.

The second patriotic celebration is Memorial Day. Originally this day was called Decoration Day. Honor was paid to the Union and Confederate soldiers who died in the Civil War. Relatives, loved ones, and patriotic Americans decorated their graves with flowers and wreaths. Decoration Day was re-named Memorial Day and was declared an

official, federal holiday in 1967 to honor the patriotism of the members of the military who gave their lives defending the Republic of the United States of America and the freedoms that the *Constitution for the United States of America* guarantees. Before receiving your officer commissions you took the following oath:

"I, [name], do solemnly swear (or affirm) that I will support and defend the Constitution of the United States against all enemies, foreign and domestic; that I will bear true faith and allegiance to the same; that I take this obligation freely, without any mental reservation or purpose of evasion; and that I will well and faithfully discharge the duties of the office on which I am about to enter. So help me God."

The closing sentence is not mandatory because Article Six of the *Constitution* states that there be no religious test for public office.

Having taken this patriotic oath, you are now in a specific dilemma. All of you commissioned officers and those commissioned as officers in 2009 and 2010 were commissioned under the authority of the President of the United States. Barack Hussein Obama is an illegal President of the United States of America. He does not meet the *natural born citizen* requirement of Article II, Section 1, Clause 5 of the *Constitution*.

"No Person except a natural born Citizen, or a Citizen of the United States, at the time of the Adoption of this Constitution, shall be eligible to the Office of President; neither shall any person be eligible to that Office who shall not have attained to the Age of thirty five Years, and been fourteen Years a Resident within the United States."

A natural born citizen is a person born to two American citizen parents on United States soil. Barack Hussein Obama's father, Barack Obama Sr. was a native of Kenya. Thus, in 1961 he was a citizen of Great Britain because Kenya still held colonial status under the British Empire. Barack Hussein Obama's mother, Stanley Anne Dunham, was too young to be a citizen when she gave birth to her son. Under the United States citizenship laws in 1961, one had to be 18 years old to receive United States citizenship. Stanley Anne Dunham was 17 years old when she gave birth to her son. Therefore, Barack Hussein Obama does not meet the constitutional requirements to serve as President of the United States. Further explanatory and irrefutable information is at: [http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=mIYNBEJnjDA&feature=channel\\_video\\_title](http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=mIYNBEJnjDA&feature=channel_video_title).

Due to the fact that Barack Hussein Obama is occupying the constitutional office of the presidency illegally, Barack Hussein Obama's signatures on all documents and legislative acts have no legal authority. Because your officer commissions are under the authority of the President of the United States, your officer commissions have no legal

meaning because they were issued under the illegal authority of a person who has usurped the position and is illegally controlling the position of President.

This is your dilemma. On the one hand, you are required by oath to protect the United States of America from domestic enemies. On the other hand, as a commissioned officer you are required to obey the orders of your Commander in Chief. However, Barack Hussein Obama is not a legal Commander in Chief because he is not a natural born citizen of the United States. Your officer commissions are not legal because the person under whose authority your officer commissions have originated has usurped the position of President of the United States of America.

No one doubts your patriotism. At the same time, your commissioned patriotism, if you will, has no constitutional foundation in spite of the fact that you have taken an oath to uphold the *Constitution for the United States of America*. Also, commissioned officers surely cannot obey illegal orders issued by the Commander in Chief when that person is occupying that position illegally. In refusing to comply with Barack Hussein Obama's orders you will not be disobeying orders because according to the rule of constitutional law in this situation, the orders from the Commander in Chief are illegal.

This author knows what patriotism is and knows what being a commissioned officer in the Armed Forces of the United States of America means. It means that you are willing to defend and serve your country. But the orders to defend it must have as their source the legality of the law. Commissioned officers! You are patriotic American citizens and you are patriotic servicemen and service women! Uphold the oath to defend the "United States against all enemies, foreign and domestic; ... and "bear true faith and allegiance" to the *Constitution*, ... regardless of the illegality of your officer commissions. Do it as a citizen patriot!

All commissioned officers must think more than twice before executing orders from an illegal president. By obeying the orders from an illegal Commander in Chief, one is contributing to the undermining of the Republic that is the United States of America. One is supporting treason and fraud. Commissioned officers! Conduct yourselves as patriotic citizens according to your personal oath of office so that those patriotic Americans who died in the past, those patriotic Americans who die in the present, and those patriotic Americans who will die in the future in defending the guaranteed constitutional freedoms and the United States of America from domestic enemies will be rightly honored on all Memorial Days and will not have given their patriotic lives in vain.

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Patriotic, Steadfast, and True  
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