



"It is the duty of all nations to acknowledge the Providence of Almighty God, to obey His will, to be grateful for His benefits, and humbly implore His protection and favor."

George Washington

Reorganized California Convention

**Redding, CA
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**The Road Back to Liberty
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Recognizing Divine Providence

At the 1787 Constitutional Convention in Philadelphia, Benjamin Franklin acknowledged and emphasized the significance of Divine Providence.

The longer I live, the more convincing proofs I see of this truth, that God governs in the affairs of men. And if a sparrow cannot fall to the ground without His notice, is it probable that an empire can rise without His aid? We have been assured, Sir, in the Sacred Writings, that 'except the Lord build the house, they labor in vain that build it.' ... I therefore beg leave to move that henceforth prayers imploring the assistance of Heaven and its blessings on our deliberations be held in this Assembly every morning before we proceed to business, and that one or more of the clergy of this city be requested to officiate in that service.

~ Benjamin Franklin

We, the people of the State of New California, have united to establish a new state and to restore the State of California. We appeal to Heaven for help and invoke Divine Providence to guide us in this grand undertaking. We recognize the hand of God acting on our behalf and humbly acknowledge and offer our gratitude to Almighty God for His guidance in this endeavor.



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Reorganized California

The State of California no longer follows its original Constitution, which was a compact established with the Union of States in 1849. California abandoned the compact completely in 1879 when it adopted a set of corporate bylaws, thereby creating a corporation that, as a result, invalidated the original compact and adopted a government that is neither binding nor lawful.

The people of California have a way to overcome this by following the framework established in the United States Constitution. They can restore lawful governance by forming a Reorganized State of California, as West Virginia did in 1861, when they separated from Virginia.

The State of New California

The State of New California was established by California patriots who are no longer willing to tolerate the tyranny of California's failed and corrupt government. By invoking Article IV, Section 4 of the United States Constitution, the people have asserted their right to form a new state. Every state admitted to the Union has followed a similar path to statehood, including the original colonies.

The State of New California is proceeding toward statehood to restore the republican form of government guaranteed by the Founders.

By starting with a clean slate, we can ensure that California never faces the debt crisis it currently has. We will achieve this through innovation, quality education, limited taxation, and unnecessary regulation. Our plan includes restoring water infrastructure to meet the needs of the population, unleashing our abundant energy resources, minimizing bureaucracy, and unlocking the full potential of our greatest asset: the American people.

The establishment of New California will revitalize both states as economic powerhouses by fostering a free market economy. This initiative will drive prosperity, stimulate business growth, and boost America's success.

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THE ISLAND MODEL AND THE NEW CALIFORNIA STATE MAP STRATEGIC AND CONSTITUTIONAL FOUNDATIONS

by Malcolm McGough

The proposed New California State map adopts a unique geographic structure that mirrors the island-based administrative model of Hawaii. This structure, which isolates California's major metropolitan regions as 'islands' of the existing state within the larger territory of New California, is neither accidental nor unprecedented. It is a deliberate strategy that strengthens the constitutional and political argument for state division under Article IV, Section 3 of the U.S. Constitution.

1. Hawaii's Island-Based Political Geography

Hawaii's state structure provides a clear example of how geographically separated jurisdictions can operate coherently under a single state government. The Hawaiian archipelago consists of multiple islands, each functioning as an independent county: Honolulu (O'ahu), Maui County, Hawai'i County (Big Island), and Kaua'i County. These islands are separated by significant ocean distances, yet they maintain administrative unity and legal coherence.

Congressional districts and county lines in Hawaii follow natural separations such as ocean channels and topography, rather than artificial grids. This model demonstrates that non-contiguous political subdivisions are both practical and constitutionally viable within the United States.

2. Application to the New California Map

The New California State proposal applies a similar logic to the geography of California. Urban coastal regions—notably Los Angeles, the San Francisco Bay Area and Sacramento —are treated as 'California State islands,' surrounded by the proposed territory of New California. These metropolitan areas remain part of the existing state, while the inland and northern regions form the new state entity.



MARTHA WASHINGTON

Wife, mother, property owner, and the "First Lady" of the United States, Martha Washington was known for her personal strength, devotion to her husband, and patient resolve during and after the war.



In 1759, she married George Washington. She was about five feet tall and he stood over six feet and two inches, but she made up for her petite stature through her unflappable spirit.



SAMUEL ADAMS

Samuel Adams, born in Boston, Massachusetts, was a passionate and influential voice against British rule before and during the American Revolution. A second cousin of President John Adams, he played a major role in advancing the cause of independence.



Adams was a founding member of the Sons of Liberty, the group that famously organized the Boston Tea Party, destroying British tea in protest of new taxes.



BETSY ROSS

Betsy Ross is credited with stitching the first United States flag—a symbol of freedom, the marker of American identity, patriotism, and pride. She apprenticed under John Webster, becoming a skilled seamstress and upholsterer.



According to legend, General Washington visited her in the summer of 1776, and he showed her a sketch of a flag with thirteen red and white stripes and thirteen six-pointed stars, which she crafted into the first flag of the Union.

Guest Speakers



Joe Hoft is an American author, radio host, journalist, and former international corporate executive. He has a strong background in finance, operations, IT, and audit, having worked for major corporations—including nearly a decade in Hong Kong, where he led a regional team for a Fortune 500 company.

After his corporate career, he shifted to media and conservative commentary. Joe hosts The Joe Hoft Show, a weekday radio and podcast featuring interviews and current events. He is a frequent guest on conservative outlets and a regular contributor to The Gateway Pundit.

Joe has authored several books, including the multi-volume "The Steal" series, examining alleged irregularities in the 2020 U.S. presidential election.



Mel K is a journalist, filmmaker, and creator best known for The Mel K Show, a YouTube and podcast platform focused on investigative commentary, critical analysis of current events, and discussions on history, freedom, and societal issues. A journalism and film honors graduate, she previously worked in media and film before launching her show to challenge mainstream narratives and engage a community of truth-seekers and critical thinkers.



Don Wilson is an American historian and author, including St. Andrew's American Revolution, which explores how Scottish political philosophy influenced the Founding Fathers and the U.S. Constitution. Wilson's writing brings historical context to constitutional ideas by examining lesser-known influences on early American political thought and the philosophical roots of a republican government. His work appeals to readers interested in constitutional history, political theory, and the origins of American governance.



Kathleen Goble is a writer, communication strategist, and co-author of Artificial Intelligence: The Fight for the Future of Humanity: Making the Case for a 28th Amendment, which explores the societal, legal, and ethical challenges of AI. With experience as a consultant to Fortune 100 companies and a background spanning law, business, and science, she speaks on technology, ethics, and human-centered policy. Goble brings clarity and insight to complex issues by bridging technological innovation with ethical considerations and public discourse.

This arrangement avoids the legal and logistical difficulties of drawing borders through dense metropolitan sprawl. Instead, the boundaries follow natural geographical features—mountain ranges, deserts, and major transportation corridors—that already separate these regions functionally and politically. To continue this article, scan the QR code.



New California State Map



NEW CALIFORNIA COUNTIES WITH COMMITTEES
Map does not represent final state borders



New California State Leadership



Paul Preston is the founder and President of New California State, a constitutional movement advocating for the creation of a new state to restore local representation and accountable governance. He is also the longtime host of Agenda 21 Radio, where he discusses constitutional principles, public policy, and their impact on state and local communities. Preston serves as the movement's primary spokesperson on the legal path to statehood and its vision for creating the 51st State of the Union.



Chriss Street is the Chief Financial Officer and Vice President of New California State and a former Orange County Treasurer–Tax Collector, where he managed public funds and county investments. With an extensive background in public finance, economic analysis, and financial consulting, he has spent years examining government budgets and fiscal policy. Street will outline California's current financial condition and discuss its implications for governance and future state planning.



Robert Thomas is a lawyer, educator, and Constitutional advocate. His resume includes serving as a Judge Advocate with the USMC, as an Orange County, CA, Deputy District Attorney, and as a Butte County, CA, Deputy District Attorney. Mr. Thomas represents Paul Preston and NCS in the lawsuit against the State of California, Governor Newsom, the Secretaries of State Weber and Padilla, regarding the certification of the November 3, 2020, election.

Keynote Speaker



Lara Logan is an internationally known journalist and former chief foreign affairs correspondent for CBS News, recognized for her frontline reporting from some of the world's most dangerous conflict zones.

Over her career, Logan earned multiple Emmy Awards, Murrow Awards, and Overseas Press Club honors, and became a familiar face on 60 Minutes for her in-depth investigative reporting. She is widely known for her fearless approach to journalism, commitment to firsthand truth-telling, and willingness to challenge powerful narratives.

Today, Lara Logan continues to speak and report on issues of global affairs, press freedom, leadership, and the importance of accountability in public life.

Agenda

Friday

9:00 - 10:00	Registration and Vendor Tables Open
10:00	Prayer - Ron Plumb, Senator, Shasta County
	Pledge - Dick Wilkinson Jr., United States Navy, AM2
	PragerU Video: "Martha Washington"
10:15	Paul Preston - Founder and President, New California State
10:30	Lara Logan - Keynote Address, Award-Winning Investigative Journalist
12:00 - 2:00	Lunch
2:00	PragerU Video: "Samuel Adams"
2:05	Kathleen Goble - AI Author, <i>The Fight for the Future of Humanity</i>
3:00	Chriss Street - CFO and Vice President of New California State
4:00	Mel K - Journalist, Filmmaker, and Creator of the Mel K Podcast
5:00	Day One Adjourned

Saturday

8:30 - 9:30	Registration and Vendor Tables Open
9:30	Prayer - Ron Plumb, Senator, Shasta County
	Pledge - Ray Starke, Retired US Navy, Commissioned Ensign
	PragerU Video: "Betsy Ross"
9:45	Paul Preston - Founder and President, New California State
10:00	Don Wilson - Author, <i>St. Andrew's American Revolution</i>
11:00	Joe Hoft - Author, Media Commentator and Editor, Gateway Pundit
12:00 - 2:00	Lunch
2:00	Robert Thomas - Attorney General, New California State
2:30 - 2:45	Paul Preston - How a Bill Becomes Law
2:45	Reorganized California legislature publicly convenes and legislates
3:30	Public Bill Signing by the Governor of the Reorganized California
4:00	Closing remarks and Convention adjournment