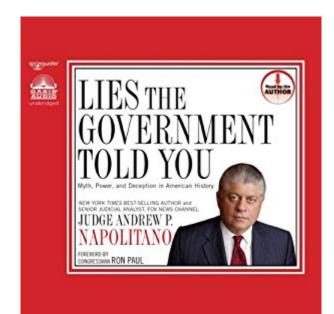
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Lies The Government Told You: Myth, Power And Deception In American History





Synopsis

You've been lied to by the government. We shrug off this fact as an unfortunate reality. America is the land of the free, after all. Does it really matter whether our politicians bend the truth here and there? When the truth is traded for lies, our freedoms are diminished and don't return. In Lies the Government Told You, Judge Andrew P. Napolitano reveals how America's freedom, as guaranteed by the U.S. Constitution, has been forfeited by a government more protective of its own power than its obligations to preserve our individual liberties.

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Customer Reviews

Judge Napolitano never ceases to impress me with his knowledge of history and his ability to give you the straight facts. There's no dancing around issues here; Napolitano starts out the book with criticism of one of the move beloved Founding Fathers, George Washington, for his acceptance of slavery (there is praise, too). I mention this because no punches are pulled for the sake of being agreeable; deceit and favoritism are not part of Napolitano's repertoire. This book serves up plenty of criticism for anyone who violates Natural Law or its protection under the Constitution, but that criticism is never generalized as an attack on a political party or group.Judge Napolitano even attacks a few Constitutional amendments themselves, and particularly calls the 17th amendment the most "unconstitutional amendment" (if there were such a thing) for violating the separation of powers constructed by the Founding Fathers. Numerous historic court cases and power grabs are cited, and even the more famous examples are presented with rare respect for personal liberty. I

appreciated the perspective and found myself learning a lot even about cases I was already familiar with. (Throughout the book, I was saying to my wife, "Did you know this?") The book is thoroughly documented with a long list of references at the end for those wanting to read original cited sources for themselves.I've read a few books on the Constitution (Politically Incorrect Guide To, Who Killed The Constitution, Revolution: A Manifesto to name a few). While usually informative, nobody writes as well nor drills a point home as well as Napolitano. The book keeps a fast pace and focus on the subject of each chapter, with the details of cases presented as necessary without bogging down the central theme or pace.

Judge Andrew P. Napolitano does not believe that the government is anyone's friend. In his latest book, Lies The Government Told You, he takes his readers on a very informative journey in exposing various lies that he believes Americans have bought into. A little unsettling is Napolitano's warning (on page 295) that his readers should be very careful when reading THIS book, because it could set someone up to be monitored by the government for suspicious behavior. I can only imagine that if merely reading a book like this makes one a target in the government's eyes, how much more incriminating it must be to WRITE a book like this? The author seems to truly know his stuff so I'm sure he thought long and hard before putting himself out there and exposing this information. If you're not into politics then this book might not hold your interest. It's a pretty deep read with tons of facts and information. The author writes about seventeen lies, one of them being "all men are created equal." American history buffs will already be well aware that four out of the first five American Presidents (George Washington included) owned slaves. However, what about the The Takings Clause of the Fifth Amendment which gives the government the right to take away private property for "public use"? This includes YOUR home, even if you've paid it off. What about Populism and Progessivism? When did these views develop and how have they affected our current government? Why is FEMA so disorganized and chaotic? And why are they still allowed to operate, though FEMA has proven to be unprepared and severely lacking in disaster response? What about the \$40 billion dollars a year taken from American taxpayers and used to foot the bill for the war on drugs?

Judge Andrew Napolitano has put into writing what many of us have long suspected...our government has been lying to use for years about almost everything it has ever done. If you think our government is crooked and power hungry, you will realize just how crooked it is when you read this book. Lies The Government Told You is scary as hell to be truthful. I didn't find a single thing that I disagreed with. It's almost unbelievable how far our Nation has moved from the Constitution.While I don't watch much news anymore (I find most so called "journalists" to be either too frightened or too stupid to ask real questions that actually matter) I see enough to keep up with the major stories. I was glad to see Napolitano mention the failure of the national media as well in the book. This book will really open your eyes to how broken our government is, not just because it's virtually bankrupt, but because it fails to uphold the constitution and protect the very citizens that fund it. You will also learn that the Federal Reserve isn't a "federal" entity. It's a private corporation that controls all our money with little or no oversight. There used to be a joke that if Alan Greenspan happened to comment how nasty a rainy day was, the stock market would drop fifty points. It doesn't sound far-fetched when you realize how much power the Federal Reserve actually has.I wold love to see this book as required reading in any government class. It truly does open your mind to the countless ways we as citizens have failed to protect our own freedoms by allowing such actions to occur time and time again. If you can still vote for most politicians after reading this, I can only hope they have also read the book. All Americans should be both shocked and ashamed at our government for these lies.

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