

*Constitution  
Of  
Mephistophelian*

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# Preamble

*We, the people of Mephistophelian, having formally rectified to constitute Mephistophelian into a **constitutional monarchy** and to ensure security to all its citizens:*

***Justice**, social, economic and political;*

***Liberty** of thought, expression, belief, faith and worship;*

*and to promote among them all*

***Fraternity** assuring the dignity of the individual and the [unity and integrity of the Nation];*

*We, the people of Mephistophelian, do hereby adopt, **enact and adopt to ourselves this constitution.***

# Articles

## *A. The Executive Branch*

*The country of Mephistophelian shall have an Executive Branch. The Executive Branch shall consist of Her/His Majesty, Her/His heir/heirress, an appointed royal guard, and an advisor. His/Her Majesty must be at least 36 years of age and shall serve a required minimum of 6 years, after which his/her majesty has the right, but is not required to forfeit all royal powers to his/her heir/heirress. His/her Majesty must appoint a heir/heirress by the end of his/her first year serving. The heir/heirress shall be prepared to assume the throne in the case of the his/her Majesty's retirement*

and/or sudden illness that renders his/her Majesty unable perform his/her daily tasks. The heir/heiress must be at least 30 when appointed and will participate in multiple required courses that shall last a minimum of 5 years, and a year long apprenticeship period to prepare him/her to assume the throne. In the case that His/Her Majesty should retire or become ill and/or pass away before His/Her Heir/Heiress is ready to assume the throne, His/Her Majesty's advisor shall assume throne until the Heir/Heiress is ready to take over. His/Her Majesty shall be responsible for implementing and enforcing laws written by Congress, appointing the heads of the federal agencies, sign legislation into law or veto bills enacted by Congress, approve war prompts submitted by Congress, and overrule any branch if He/She so wishes. His/Her Majesty is granted unlimited power to extend pardons and clemencies for federal crimes. The heir/heiress to the throne shall have no executive power until he/she assumes the throne. The royal guard shall be appointed by His/Her majesty to assume the position of Commander-in-Chief of the armed forces, the royal guard shall also appoint a crew of his/her most trusted men/women (upon the approval of his/her majesty) to protect his/her majesty, as well as the heir/heiress. In the event that the heir/heiress becomes unsuitable to assume the throne, his/her majesty must choose a new heir/heiress within the year. If His/Her majesty becomes unfit for the throne before a heir/heiress is chosen, the head advisor shall assume the throne and become the Queen/King of Mephistophelian and the original procedures shall apply. His/Her Majesty shall also assume the role of Chief of Justice, and with the Congress' help elect a maximum of 8 associate justices. The advisor shall be accompanied by approximately two lessers of His/Her Majesty's choosing,

*this team of Head Advisor and lessers shall assist His/Her Majesty in decision making upon His/Her Majesty's request. The advisors shall assume opposite positions in said matters and debate them in front of His/Her Majesty and the Head Advisor until they both have come to a decision. If the Head Advisor and His/Her Majesty disagree on the matter His/Her Majesty may reinstate the lessers to debate again, or simply overrule and make said decision against the advisors advice.*

### *B. The Legislative branch*

*The country of Mephistophelian will have a legislative branch. The legislative branch will consist of a House of Representatives and a Senate which together shall form Congress. The House of Representatives shall have at least one person from each province, whom will be voted in by the people of said province. Senate shall consist of at least two persons from each province who will be voted in by the people of said province. Persons voted in for the House of Representatives must be at least 25, and must have maintained legitimate citizenship for a minimum of 7 years. Persons voted in for Senate must be at least 30 years, and must have maintained legitimate citizenship for a minimum of 9 years. New persons shall be elected every third year for the House of Representatives, and every sixth year for Senate. Congress reserves the right to enact laws. Congress may also declare war, if approved by the Executive Branch. A "Speaker of the House" may be elected by the representatives of the House during every two year rotation.*

*The "Speaker of the House" will serve as presiding officer of the House of Representatives. The "Speaker of the House" shall constitute as a Member of Congress, acting as administrative head of the House, and*

serving as leader of the majority political party in the House. The "Speaker of the House" will be required to perform duties such as; keeping order in the house, appointing special committees, administering the oath of office to members, and making rules regarding House procedures. Congress shall also assist in electing a maximum of 8 associate justices. Congress has the power to establish courts lower than the supreme court, as well as establish courts of appeal, and district courts.

### C. Judicial Branch

The Judicial Branch shall consist of a Chief of Justice, and a maximum of 8 associates. The Chief of Justice shall always be His/Her Majesty. His/Her Majesty as well as Congress shall elect up to 8 persons to assume the title "Associate Justice". Associate Justices may only be removed unanimously by Congress. All 'Justices' shall serve until retirement or death. The courts shall only try actual cases and controversies — a party must prove that it has been harmed in order to bring suit in court. Hence, the courts do not issue advisory opinions on the constitutionality of laws or the legality of actions if the ruling is of no practicality. Federal court has the power to interpret the law as they see fit, determine the constitutionality of the law, and apply it to individual cases. Inferior courts must submit to the decisions of the Supreme Court — once the Supreme Court interprets a law, inferior courts must apply the Supreme Court's interpretation to the particular case. Supreme court shall be the highest leveled court within the country. The Supreme Court shan't hear appeals as a matter of right; rather, parties must petition the Court for a "writ of certiorari" (meant for rare use, by which an appellate court decides to review

a case at its discretion). It shall be the Court's custom and practice to "grant cert" if four of the nine Justices decide that they should hear the case.

#### *D. Provinces of Mephistophelian*

*The country of Mephistophelian shall have*

#### *E. Making Amendments*

*Congress must be  $\frac{2}{3}$  in agreement, and have his/her majesty's approval in order to create a new amendment. Then it must go through a ratification process led by his/her majesty's head advisor, in which at least  $\frac{3}{4}$  of the provinces must give approval by signing.*

#### *F. Supreme Law of Mephistophelian*

*This Constitution of Mephistophelian, and the laws of Mephistophelian which shall be made in pursuance thereof; and all treaties made, under the authority of Mephistophelian, shall be the supreme law; and the justices and judges in every province shall be bound thereby, anything in the Constitution or laws of any province to the contrary notwithstanding.*

*The Senators and Representatives, the members of the several provincial legislatures, and all executive and judicial officers, both of country and of the several provinces, shall be bound by oath or affirmation, to support this Constitution; but no religious test shall ever be required as a qualification to any office or public trust under Mephistophelian.*

### *G. Ratification*

*The Queen Amira Rose along with  $\frac{3}{4}$  of the provinces ratified this document on June 7th, 2045; Congress also supported this movement.*

*Shenani (Oct. 3) Actrovius (April 27) Catastroph (November 19) Mutili (August 12)*

## *The Amendments*

- a. Congress may not make any laws respecting and/or disrespecting religion*
- b. Person(s) must be able to complete and pass a mental health exam, a background check, and a safety course before having legal access to a gun. Any and all guns must be registered, and registration on said guns must be renewed every fourth year.*
- c. Soldiers may not be quartered in any home without the consent of the owner.*
- d. Person(s) have the right to feel secure in their homes, papers, and effects. Unreasonable searches and seizures shall not be tolerated. Warrants shall be issued, but only upon probable cause, which must be supported by Oath or affirmation, and have documentation describing the place to be searched, and the persons or things to be*



*seized.*

- e. Person(s) shall not be held to answer for a capital, or otherwise infamous crime, unless on a presentment or indictment of a Grand Jury, except in cases arising in the land or naval and/or military forces, when in actual service in time of War or public danger; nor shall any person be subject for the same offence to twice be put in jeopardy of life; nor shall any person(s) be compelled in any case to be a witness against himself, nor be deprived of life, liberty, or property, without process of law; nor shall private property be taken for public use, without just compensation.*
  
- f. In all criminal prosecutions, the accused shall be allowed the right to a fast and speedy trial done by an impartial jury of the state and district in which the crime has taken place. District shall have been previously determined by law, and are to be informed of the nature and cause of the accusation; to be confronted with the witnesses against him; to have compulsory process for obtaining witnesses in his favor, and to have the Assistance of Counsel for his defence.*
  
- g. Outrageous bail and/or fines shall not be imposed, nor unnecessary/cruel punishment inflicted.*
  
- h. Rights nor laws shall be created to inhibit any specific persons.*

- i. *Laws and/or powers not specified by the Mephistophelian constitution shall be delegated to the discretion of the provinces.*
- j. *Slavery nor forced labor shall be allowed unless the person(s) in question has committed a punishable offense, and is presently convicted.*
- k. *Person(s) born in Mephistophelian, therefore in the provinces therein and subject to the jurisdiction thereof, are official citizens of Mephistophelian and the province where they reside. No provinces shall be allotted to abridge any privileges and/or immunities of citizens in Mephistophelian*
- l. *Native Tribes have been granted territories within the borders of Mephistophelian, they have also been granted the right to elude taxes.*
- m. *All citizens 18 years of age and older of Mephistophelian have a right to vote for congress, laws, and such. No laws shall be passed to inhibit anyone from that right based on color, religion, or previous convictions.*
- n. *The Executive Branch may imprison His/Her majesty and remove His/Her title if He/She breaks the supreme law.*

- o. Congress may remove His/Her majesty's title with a completely unanimous vote if they feel He/She is incapable of managing His/Her obligations.*
- p. Drinking age is 18, legal guardians may allow minors to drink with them at their own discretion so long as they are on their properties.*
- q. All laws (including supreme law) may be disregarded on a single day (July 2nd) starting from 12:00 a.m and ending 12:00 a.m, all emergency services shall be unavailable within those 24 hours.*

## *Membership*

*If you have a biological parent in the country of Mephistophelian you may enter and by blood be a legal citizen of Mephistophelian. If you were born in Mephistophelian you are a legal citizen of the country. If you've lived legally in Mephistophelian for more than six years you'll become an official citizen of Mephistophelian. If you have the proper documentation you'll be considered a citizen of Mephistophelian*

## *Management Committee*

*There shall be a department of agriculture, a department of commerce, a department of defense, a department of education, a department of energy, a department of health and human services, a department of homeland security, a department of housing and urban development, a department of interior, department of justice, department of labor, department of state, department of transportation, a department of the treasury, and a*

department of veteran affairs. His/Her Majesty will be in charge of assigning people to managing all of these departments.

## Officers

His/Her majesty will elect managers to manage the managers – His/Her majesty will manage the managers that manage the managers.

## Meetings

Every year on October 2nd and June 8th congress shall meet with His/Her Majesty to discuss important matters at the discretion of both parties.

## Finance

We will tax our people on over the counter medicines, alcohol, and land. We will have our own currency system – We will have silver pences to trade for our goods.

## Amendments to Constitution

- I. We will prosecute any citizens and/or foreign citizens unlawfully.
- II. When the people of mephistophelian are voting for senate/congress they shall have a private uninfluenced booth in which they will receive a ballot and choose whomever they so wish.
- III. Slavery and involuntary servitude shall not be allowed in mephistophelian unless the person(s) have been convicted of a crime.
- IV. No laws shall be made to limit and/or removes the rights of any citizen.
- V. Congress has been allocated the power to collect taxes.
- VI. Any and all citizens may vote regardless of prior convictions, race, sex.

V.T.T. If a citizen has failed to pay their taxes for 2 years they shall become wanted, and be unable to vote.

V.T.T.T. Any citizen 18 years or older may vote.

T.H. No one showing rebellion against the country of mephistophelian citizen or not, may be elected into congress and/ or senate.

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