

IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
FOR THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

MICHAEL NEWDOW, *et al.*,

Plaintiffs,

v.

HON. JOHN ROBERTS, JR., *et al.*,

Defendants.

Civil case No. 1:08-cv-02248-RBW

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PLAINTIFFS' FIRST AMENDED COMPLAINT, APPENDIX G  
REDACTED DECLARATIONS OF NEW INDIVIDUAL PLAINTIFFS  
#3 OF 8 (D-I)

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**I, Edward James Dabbs, declare as follows:**

**I am a citizen of the United States and a resident of the State of Florida.**

**I am a member of American Atheists and the Freedom From Religion Foundation .**

**I consider myself an Atheist/Agnostic.**

**I have watched numerous inaugurations on television over the past 45 years.**

**I watched the 2009 inauguration of Barack Obama live on television at home, and again on the internet.**

**As I watched this inauguration, I was terrified and saddened to realize, once again that mysticism and bronze age superstitions are being injected into what should be, according to the constitution, a secular ceremony. During these situations, I've come to understand how Blacks and other minorities felt when they were left out of the national discussion.**

**Being 55 years old, I expect to witness 8 or 9 future inaugurations during my lifetime.**

**I declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct.**

**Executed on February 13, 2009.**



**Edward J. Dabbs  
147 Pheasant Run Blvd.  
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I, Steven Peter Darwin, declare as follows:

I am a citizen of the United States and a resident of the State of Louisiana.

I am a member of the New Orleans Secular Humanist Association and Americans United for the Separation of Church and State.

I consider myself a Secular Humanist and Atheist.

I watched the 2009 inauguration of Barack Obama live on television at my home, and later on the Internet.

As I watched this inauguration, I was outraged and angered at the religiosity that was incorporated into the ceremony. As an American citizen, I was deeply offended by the inclusion of Christian, monotheistic prayers, and especially by Chief Justice Roberts' unwarranted addition of the phrase "So help you God?" to the Constitutional oath of office.

Being 59 years old, I expect to witness ten future inaugurations during my lifetime.

I declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct.

Executed on February 16, 2009.

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Steven P. Darwin". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Steven Peter Darwin  
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DR. JOSEPH DAVIDSON

DENTAL SURGEON



Dr. Joseph Davidson  
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2/13/09

I, Joseph Davidson, am a US Citizen residing in Maryland. I am a member of the Freedom From Religion Foundation and The Washington area Secular Humanists. I am an Atheist.

I watched the 2009 Inauguration of Barack Obama on my lunch hour at work on CNN via the Internet.

I am a strong Obama supporter but none the less I felt like a second class citizen with all the acknowledgements of religion before, during and after the ceremony. That government favors one group of citizens over other groups is hurtful especially when it would be so easy to remain neutral and inclusive.

I am 63 years old and hope to see 4 or 5 more Inaugurations.

I declare under penalty of perjury, the above statements are true.

Executed 2/13/09

Joseph Davidson DDS

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I, Herbert A. Davis, Jr. declare as follows:

I am a citizen of the United States and a resident of the State of Minnesota.

I am a member of Freedom From Religion Foundation, .

I consider myself an atheist.

I have watched the inaugurations of 1989, 1993, 2001 and 2005 on television at my home.

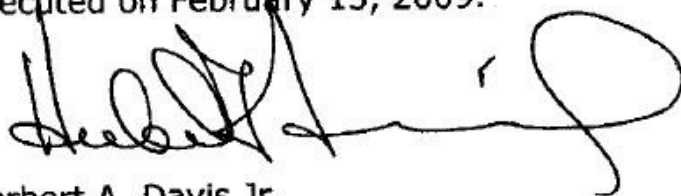
I watched the 2009 inauguration of Barack Obama live on television at my home.

As I watched this inauguration, I was disappointed and offended by the reference to a "God". I felt like it sent a message that religion is part of government.

Being sixty-seven years old, I expect to witness a couple more future inaugurations during my lifetime.

I declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct.

Executed on February 13, 2009.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Herbert A. Davis, Jr.", with a large, stylized flourish at the end.

Herbert A. Davis, Jr.  
12474 County 100  
Sauk Centre, MN 56378

I, David M. Destler declare as follows:

I am a citizen of the United States and a resident of the State of California. I am also an atheist.

I am a member of Atheists United, Freedom From Religion Foundation, and Atheist Alliance International. I am a board member of the Woodland Hills Warner Center Neighborhood Council in Los Angeles County.

I have watched the presidential inaugurations of 1985, 1989, 1993, 2001, 2005 and the recent 2009 inauguration of Barack Obama on television at my home.

As I watched this inauguration, I was proud of our country, our processes, and the voice of the People. However, the People is made up of voices of all faiths, religions, beliefs, and those without belief in supernatural deities or religion at all. Each and every one is endowed with the right to practice their particular beliefs, and it appalls me that the Christian faith and belief system is a) presupposed to be the one everybody practices and wants, b) forced upon us as a People despite the absence of such direction in our Constitution, and c) omnipresent in what is an official governmental and civic procedure.

The presence of Christian clergy (or *any* clergy) presiding over the inauguration, and having the specific "so help me God" inserted into the actual oath – when it was never meant to be there and is categorically inappropriate, despite one's beliefs – is a sad commentary on the lack of awareness or worse – concern – on the part of our government officials and specifically Chief Justice John Roberts about the non-Christians in our nation and the intentions of the Founding Fathers as well.

Being 54 years old, I expect to witness ten future inaugurations during my lifetime. I sincerely hope that our governing officials will realize before the next presidential inauguration that reciting theological phrases and praying to god during what is supposed to be an absolutely non-religious occasion has been misguided, unfair, and highly presumptuous. In short, wrong on many levels. I hope to see religion and reference to "god" removed from any and all government proceedings.

I declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct.

Executed on February 18, 2009.



David M. Destler  
22912 Erwin Street  
Woodland Hills, CA 91367

I, \_\_\_\_\_, declare as follows:

1. I am a citizen of the United States and a resident of the State of New York.
2. I am a member of the Freedom from Religion Foundation, the American Humanist Association, Military Association of Atheists & Freethinkers, and the organizer of Capital Region Atheists & Agnostics.
3. I consider myself a naturalist, humanist, and atheist.
4. I have not watched the inaugurations of any previous Presidents.
5. I was in a room with other people where the inauguration was being projected on a large screen. Since I already knew the inauguration was more of a church service than a government ceremony, I was trying to ignore it as much as possible. Later on I watched the oath on a replay.
6. I watched as little of the inauguration as I could manage. I do not want to watch our highest elected official pledge to preserve, protect, and defend the Constitution by exceeding the Constitution.
7. Being 37 years old, I expect to witness 10 future inaugurations during my lifetime.
8. I have two daughters, 4 and 2 years old. I believe that they could view the addition of "So help me God" and clergy-led prayers the same way I do – that these are clear declarations that the government endorses theism over atheism.

I declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct.

Executed on February 21, 2009.

I, \_\_\_\_\_ declare as follows:

1. I am a citizen of the United States and a resident of the State of California.
2. I am a member of the Independent Investigations group at the Center For Inquiry West in Los Angeles, California.
3. I consider myself an atheist.
4. I have watched each presidential inauguration since Ronald Reagan's way back in 1981.
5. I watched the 2009 inauguration of Barack Obama on YouTube.
6. As I watched this inauguration, I was, once again, dismayed at the insertion of the concept of god into our political process. I wondered why Roberts insisted on making the president say "So help me god" and wondered what would have happened if the president had not said "So help me god". Would he have not been sworn in as President? There is no reason for this sort of nonsense in our politics and it's time we stop it.
7. I'm not going to watch any more of these services until this hogwash stops, but as a young 46 year old man, I figure I'll be around for 5 or 6 more inaugurations.
8. My lovely wife, \_\_\_\_\_ and I are expecting a child this July and we are planning on raising it to be a rational human being as well. Perhaps it will become religious, that is it's choice, but, we certainly don't need the government guiding it towards a life filled with silliness like god.

I declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct.

Executed on February 20, 2009.



I, Bernard Eisenberg, declare as follows:

I am a citizen of the United States and a resident of the State of California.

I consider myself an atheist.

I have watched the inaugurations of 1989, 1993, and 2005 on television at my home.

I watched the 2009 inauguration of Barack Obama live on television at my home.

As I watched this inauguration, I was offended this time, just as I was offended at viewing previous inaugurations, at the use of any reference to any theistic deity in the administration of the oath of office. Specifically, I refer to the phrase "So help me god" that Justice Roberts added to the oath as specified in the Constitution. I am also offended by any references to Jesus or to any deity in the prayers said by a chaplain who is brought in to pray at the administration ceremony. These acts are in violation of the Establishment Clause of the Constitution.

Being 74 years old, I expect to witness at least two future inaugurations during my lifetime.

I declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct.

Executed on February 18, 2009.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Bernard Eisenberg". The signature is stylized with a large, sweeping initial "B" and a long, horizontal stroke extending to the right.

Bernard Eisenberg  
3609 Rosewood Avenue  
Los Angeles, CA 90066

I, *Brian Ellis*, declare as follows:

1. I am a citizen of the United States and a resident of the State of Nebraska.
2. I am a member of the local group, Lincoln Secular Humanists and the national group American Humanist Association .
3. I consider myself a secular humanist.
4. I have watched the inaugurations of 2005 and 2009 on television at my home.
5. I watched the 2009 inauguration of Barack Obama on television.
6. As I watched this inauguration, I was offended that the President would use the language "so help me god" and have prayer services, which I find to be a violation of the first amendment.
7. Being 28 years old, I expect to witness several future inaugurations during my lifetime.

I declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct.

Executed on February 20th, 2009.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Brian P. Ellis". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first letters of the first and last names being capitalized and prominent.

Brian P. Ellis  
1867 SW 31<sup>st</sup> Street  
Lincoln, NE 68522

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I, Jamie Levi Farren, declare as follows:

1. I am a citizen of the United States and a resident of the State of Texas.
2. I consider myself an Atheist.
3. I watched the 2009 inauguration of Barack Obama live on television.
4. As I watched this inauguration, I felt a deep sense of isolation. In what should be a ceremony of inclusiveness divorced from such divisive topics as religious faith, I was obviously not welcome. It pains me greatly to know that in a country founded on the principles of rationally prescribed individual rights, I seem to be a second-class citizen. With so much of the ceremony taken up by religious prayer and "inspirational" words from clergy and preachers, what other conclusion could I possibly come to? Perhaps most striking to me was the portion of the ceremony wherein President Obama was officially sworn in. Was Chief Justice Roberts reading from the appropriate documents of our Founding Fathers without interjecting personal bias and beliefs? It appears not. "So help me, god" is found nowhere in such documents...and rightly so. Such utterances were not prescribed by the Founding Fathers and not even implicit in the formation of this country. Whether one chooses to affirm such convictions is a matter of personal preference, but for Chief Justice Roberts to mandate them amounts to a declaration of a state-sponsored religion. I am an Atheist and I am an American as well.
5. Being 28 years old, I expect to witness 15 future inaugurations during my lifetime.

I declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct.

Executed on February 21, 2009.



Jamie Levi Farren P.O. Box 192 Stinnett, Texas 79083  
Physical Address 601 Mesquite Stinnett, Texas 79083

I, David J. Fleming, declare as follows:

I am a citizen of the United States and a resident of the State of Illinois.

I am a member of Freedom From Religion Foundation and the Council for Secular Humanism.

I consider myself a secular humanist.

I have watched inaugurations on television since 1961, including this year's inauguration of Barack Obama.

As I watched this inauguration, I was deeply saddened by the fact the president of the United States -- the president of ALL citizens of the United States, including those of other faiths and those of no faith -- was taking the oath of office with his hand on the Christian bible.

As I waited for the president to repeat the oath of office being administered by the chief justice of the U.S. Supreme Court, I was hoping that at last we would have a chief justice who would not insert the phrase "so help me God" into the inauguration oath. That phrase is not in the oath of office authorized by the Constitution of the United States. For good reason: We are a people of many faiths and no faith. This was deeply offensive to me as a person of no faith, as I am sure it was with those of religious faiths other than the Christian.

Being 64 years old, I expect to witness at least four more inaugurations during my lifetime. However, given the relatively young age of Chief Justice Roberts, I doubt that I will ever, in my lifetime, hear a president take office without invoking the name of God, a name that I do not believe in.

I certainly hope that the religious trappings are dropped from the next inauguration so that my grandchildren will not see prayers, sacred books and the name of God inserted into what should be a secular ceremony. It can't be anything but confusing to those who are taught that there is no place for religion in government.

I declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct.

Executed on February 16, 2009.

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "David J. Fleming". The signature is written in a cursive style with a long, sweeping underline.

David J. Fleming  
3914 N. Northwood Ave.  
Peoria, IL 61614

I, Lauren James Floyd, declare as follows:

I am a citizen of the United States and a resident of the State of Virginia.

I am an American, an Atheist and a Humanist.

*I am a member of Atheist Alliance International, Secular Coalition for America, Americans United for Separation of Church and State, Freedom From Religion Foundation, American Civil Liberties Union, Ethical Humanist Society of Tidewater Virginia, and Tidewater Atheist Group. I manage an internet radio station called Freethoughtradio.com, and I am the former president of Freethinkers and Atheists of Virginia.*

I have watched most of the televised presidential inaugurations since my teen years – some live and some not – and I am now 50. I felt great pride for my country as I watched the historic 2009 inauguration; but my pride was tempered by discouragement at the degree to which religious language and ceremonies were insinuated among the events. This reached a disturbing crescendo with Pastor Rick Warren's sectarian and exclusionary Christian invocation and prayer. However, an outrageous climax occurred when Chief Justice Roberts delivered his edited version of the oath of office.

Robert's subtle change, relocating the word "*faithfully*," can be attributed to grammatical fussiness; however his alteration also serves the purpose of adding emphasis to "*faithfully*" as the syllables linger between pauses by each speaker.

The more egregious action by the Chief Justice was to add "so help me god" to the oath. Roberts knows well that "so help me god" does not appear in the oath prescribed by the Constitution, and he should not have added those words. Furthermore, his delivery of the phrase seemed both a question and a challenge to the Barack Obama. The President is the only person at that moment who has the discretion to add such a closing if his conscience dictates.

Being 50 years old, I may be fortunate enough to witness up to 10 more inaugurations during my lifetime. I hope that future ceremonies will dispense with divisive clergy-led prayers and feature stronger adherence to our secular Constitution.

I declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct.

Executed on February 19, 2009



Lauren Floyd  
2692 Springhaven Drive  
Virginia Beach, VA 23456

I, Gary Gahagan, declare as follows:

I am a citizen of the United States and a resident of the State of Pennsylvania.

I am a member of American Atheist, Freedom From Religion Foundation and Pennsylvania Nonbelievers.

I consider myself an atheist.

I have watched the inaugurations in 1977, 1981, 1993, 2001 and 2009 on television at my home.

I watched the 2009 inauguration of Barack Obama on television on my home television.

As I watched this inauguration, I get sick and tired of politicians, government employees and representatives injecting religion into ceremonies like an inauguration. It's not necessary or needed. This is suppose to be a government that represents all people, not just religious people.

Being 54 years old, I expect to witness 6 future inaugurations during my lifetime.

When prayer and the "so help me god" are added to government functions and ceremonies, it's like telling me that I will be excluded from any and all representation by my government because I am an atheist.

I declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct.

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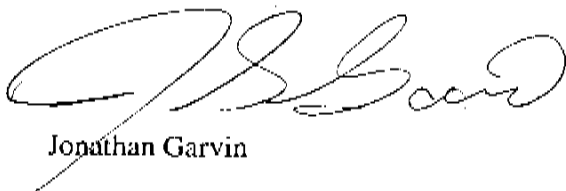
Gary Gahagan  
105 White Rock Rd.  
Freeport, Pa. 16229

1. Jonathan Garvin, declare as follows:

1. I am a citizen of the United States and a resident of the State of Montana.
2. I am a member of The Freedom From Religion Foundation, The Secular Coalition For America , The Center For Inquiry, and am the organizer of the Missoula Area Secular Society.
3. I consider myself an Atheist-Agnostic-Humanist.
4. I watched replays of the 2001 and 2005 inaugurations on television at home. I was stationed in Europe in the U.S. Army in 1993 and 1997, and missed those inaugurations.
5. I watched replays of the 2009 inauguration of Barack Obama on the Internet.
6. As I watched the 2009 inauguration, I felt frustrated and dismayed when, after the constitutional oath of office was completed, Chief Justice Roberts further prompted President Obama for the phrase "so help me God." The repeated overt references to God and Jesus by both the President and the clergy left me feeling singled out and excluded from an event that should be a unifying ceremony. The message was loud and clear, that my participation, and even presence, in this society and country are not wanted or welcome.
7. Being 38 years old, I expect to witness 10 future inaugurations during my lifetime.

I declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct.

Executed on February 20th, 2009.



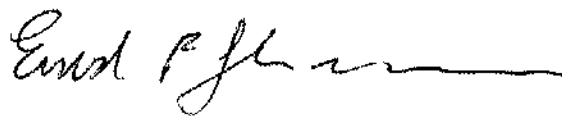
Jonathan Garvin

I, Ernst F. Ghermann, declare as follows:

1. I am a citizen of the United States and a resident of the State of California.
2. I am a member of Atheists United, *American Humanist Association*.
3. I consider myself an *atheist*.
4. I have *watched the inaugurations of 1989, 1993, 2001 and 2005 on television at my home.*
5. I watched the 2009 inauguration of Barack Obama *live on television at my home.*
6. As I watched this inauguration I was offended by the inserting of religion into what should have been a secular ceremony. Both the attaching "so help me God" to the oath by Justice Roberts and the use of clergy to recite Christian prayers was inappropriate.
7. Being 74 years old, I expect to witness several future inaugurations during my lifetime.

I declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct.

Executed on February 19, 2009.



Ernst F Ghermann  
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Huntington Beach, CA 92646  
(714) 960-1642;  
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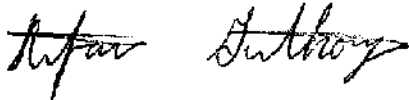


I, Stefan Gilthorpe, declare as follows:

1. I am a citizen of the United States and a resident of the State of Texas.
2. I consider myself a Humanist.
3. I have watched the inaugurations of 2005 on television at my home.
4. I watched the 2009 inauguration of Barack Obama later on the Internet.
5. As I watched this inauguration, I was disappointed when I heard Chief Justice Roberts reference a deity. I felt offended that Chief Justice Roberts was violating the establishment clause and endorsing religion.
6. Being 23 years old, I expect to witness 16 future inaugurations during my lifetime.

I declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct.

Executed on February 23, 2009.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Stefan Gilthorpe', written in a cursive style.

Stefan Gilthorpe

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Vidor, Tx 77662

StefanGilthorpe@hotmail.com

I, Bruce Gleason declare as follows:

I am a citizen of the United States and a resident of the State of California

I am a member of Atheist United and Freedom From Religion Foundation and America United for Church and State Separation

I consider myself a atheist.

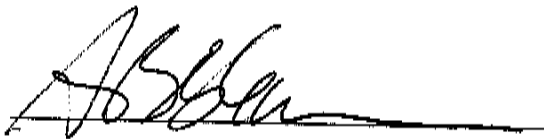
I have watched the inaugurations of 2005 and of 2009 of Barack Obama on television at my home.

As I watched this inauguration, I was not happy and felt disrespected by the Chief Justice Roberts adding his own line "So help me God" at the end of the oath. This is not in the Constitution and should not have been added. I also felt discriminated because of the Christian invocation before the oath was taken. This is a secular nation and I was offended that the Clergy made its presence of a religion I do not believe in.

Being 54 years old, I expect to witness at least another eight future inaugurations during my lifetime. I wish that my government would remain neutral on religious matters and keep the inauguration secular.

I declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct.

Executed on February 18, 2009

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Bruce Gleason', written over a horizontal line.

Bruce Gleason, 9782 Santiago Blvd, Villa Park, CA 92861

I, Joseph P. Goodman declare as follows:

I am a citizen of the United States and a resident of the State of California.

I am a member of Veterans for Peace, Santa Monica CA.

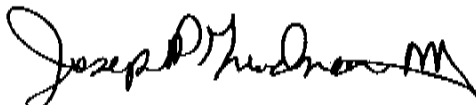
I have watched the inaugurations of 1989, 1993, and 2005 on television at my home, and I watched the inauguration of 2001.

While watching the 2009 inauguration of Barack Obama live on television at my home, I again was insulted by the religious tone of an oath of office under a prayer.

I expect to witness future inaugurations during my lifetime and would not like the "so help me God" and the clergy led praying as part of a Presidential inauguration.

I declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct.

Executed on February 14, 2009.



Joseph P. Goodman, MD

43055 Snow Road

Auberry, CA 93602

I, Leonard T. Grimaudo, declare as follows:

I am a citizen of the United States and a resident of the State of Illinois.

I am a member of the Freedom From Religion Foundation.

I consider myself an atheist and a humanist.

I watched the inauguration of 2001 on television at my home.

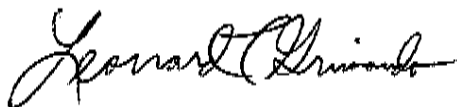
I watched the 2009 inauguration of Barack Obama on television in the atrium at my office.

As I watched this inauguration with the opening prayers and the invocation of "God" during the proceedings, I felt like a second-class citizen in my own country, a person who is not fully accepted by his fellow Americans because of my lack of religious convictions.

Being 41 years old, I expect to witness ten future inaugurations during my lifetime.

I declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct.

Executed on February 13, 2009.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Leonard T. Grimaudo". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Leonard T. Grimaudo

**I, Richard O. Grimes, declare as follows:**

**I am a citizen of the United States and a resident of the State of Colorado**

**I am a member of Freedom From Religion Foundation.**


**I consider myself a deicide whose job is to slay gods by pulling the flush lever on a toilet since gods rise from human feces and the stench is attached to America's money, motto, pledge, and presidential oath and I really take umbrage; in addition, when I see a crèche, a Hebrew baby in a diaper, on government property, I am reminded of what it stands for: Inquisition, Holy Crusades, Witch burning, Superstition, Torture, and too much horror to mention within the scope of this paragraph.**

**I watched the 2009 inauguration of Barack Obama on television and later on the Internet. All the prayer sickened me. Listening to Chief Justice Roberts implicitly declare the Constitution as W. Bush declares it explicitly: "a goddamn piece of paper," sickened me when His Honor added his own words to the presidential pledge: "So help me God," Those four words are not in the Oath; the Founding Fathers created a secular, godless constitution whose reference to religion is exclusionary: Keep God out of this Constitution. Such reference can be found in Art. 6 Sec. 3. (The Articles of Confederation contained God, specifically the Hebrew Jesus Christ comes to earth in a diaper and the only dictator wanted for America was "We The People," so the Articles failed.) Augmenting the Presidential Oath by lesser men/women than our Founding Fathers is anathema to me.**

**Being 72 years of age on February 20, February when great men are born: Washington, Lincoln, Darwin, I expect to witness one, maybe two more inaugurations. I do not want to hear America's Organic Law, The Constitution adulterated or diminished by adding words to the Presidential Oath in violation of the Founding Fathers.**

**I declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct.  
Executed on February 14, 2009.**

**Richard O. Grimes  
1255 Galapago St. #106  
Denver CO 80204-3556**

  
**Email: r22037@yahoo.com**

FEB 16, 2009

I, Beverly J. Guardino, declare as follows:

I am a citizen of the United States and resident of South San Francisco, California.

I am a member of the Freedom From Religion Foundation Inc., and American Atheists.

I consider myself and Atheist-Humanist.

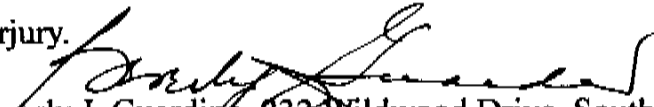
I have watched the inauguration of 1989, 1993 and 2005 on television at my home.

I watched the 2009 inauguration of Barack Obama on television and later on the internet.

Watching this inauguration, I was elated to see Barack Obama, the first black man, to be sworn in as President of the United States of America. I am looking forward to the day when a non-believer can/will be sworn in as the President of the United States without putting his/her hand on the bible and who upholds the Separation of Church and State. However, because of my advanced age, that day might not be too close. However, watching our new President swear on the bible was disheartening due to the fact that the laws of separation of church and state were ignored. But, I was very happy for Barack Obama, his family and those who voted for him. To complete the inauguration, we heard the words "So Help Me God" and then those same words repeated by the new President. I thought now having such a bright man as President, why has it not occurred to him that we non-believers are actually not in awe of those statements.?

I, Beverly J. Guardino, swear that this statement is a true statement under penalty of

Perjury.

  
Beverly J. Guardino, 232 Wildwood Drive, South San Francisco, CA 94080

I, Gary Alan Guillen, declare as follows:

I am a citizen of the United States and a resident of the State of Florida.

I am a member of Freedom From Religion Foundation and Millitary Association of Atheists and Freethinkers.

I consider myself a "atheist".

I have watched the inaugurations of 1993, 1997 on television at my home.

I did not watch the 2009 inauguration of Barack Obama because of the pastors, prayers and I knew the ending of his oath would include words "so help me God" that affended my thinking processes as a human being. These words would make me very upset for weeks to come.

Being 57 years old, I do not expect to witness future inaugurations during my lifetime until they do not include prayers, pastors and religion.

I declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct.

Executed on February 21, 2009.

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Gary Alan Guillen".

GARY ALAN GUILLEN  
11100 SW 93rd Ct . Rd.  
10-154  
Ocala, Florida 34481

I, Christopher Jason Gulledge, declare as follows:

I am a citizen of the United States and a resident of the State of Texas.

I consider myself an atheist.

I have watched the inaugurations of George Bush in 1989, William J. Clinton in 1993, and George W. Bush in 2001 on television at my home.

I watched the 2009 inauguration of Barack Obama live on television at my home, and later on the Internet on various sites.

As I watched this inauguration, I was saddened and perplexed by the fact that such an act as official as the oath of office of the presidency was surrounded by a prayer to the Christian god, and even the oath itself included the question by Justice Roberts "So help you God?" to which Obama answered "so help me God". This certainly has the appearance of a "religious test" and seemed to be requirement of qualification to the office. Why else would it be included in the oath? These prayers should not be required for any office or public trust - especially not the presidency.

Being 31 years old, I expect to witness at least 5 future inaugurations during my lifetime, and as many as 11.

I declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct.

Executed on February 19th, 2009.



Christopher Jason Gulledge

8208 Rincon Street

Frisco, Texas 75035



I, John A Gulsby Sr., declare as follows:

I am a citizen of the United States and a resident of the State of California.

I am a member of Freedom From Religion Foundation, Atheists United, Orange County Atheists and the Secular Coalition.

I consider myself an atheist and a skeptic.

I have watched inaugurations in the past decades, generally in news replays.

I watched the 2009 inauguration of Barack Obama live on television in my home and in the numerous replays.

As I watched this inauguration, I felt dismay that in the 21<sup>st</sup> century our highest civil leaders would call upon a stone age mythical god for help. If there were a god, I thought, he must surely intervene on the side of the good and the bad equally!

Being 71 years old, I expect to witness a couple of future inaugurations during my lifetime.

I have two grandchildren ages 3 and 5 and I expect that they will watch the 2013 and later inaugurations. I fear for how the appearance of our highest leaders calling upon a mythical god will impact their abilities to distinguish between reality and myth. They will lose their beliefs in Santa Claus, the Tooth Fairy, the Easter Bunny, etc. because they will come to see that adults do not believe in these myths and fairy tales. What will it take to rationalize the fact that our country's leaders believe in mythical beings?

I declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct.

Executed on 18<sup>th</sup> day of February, 2009.



John A Gulsby Sr  
8322 Kingfisher Drive  
Huntington Beach, CA 92646

I, Louis E. Guzman, declare as follows:


I am a citizen of the United States, born in Los Angeles, CA in 1920, now a resident of the State of Colorado. My address is 6981 Los Reyes Circle, CO 80918.

I am a member of, and a former board of directors member, of the Freethinkers of Colorado Springs.

I have been a humanist freethinker since early adulthood and have watched the inauguration of presidents since they were televised after World War II. Prior to that in 1953, I watched the Eisenhower inauguration in person in Washington, DC.

I watched the 2009 inauguration of Barack Obama live on television at my home.

As I watched this inauguration, I saw and heard Chief Justice Roberts require that Obama recite the oath, including god, as well as clergy invoke god. I consider the inclusion of god in the presidential oath and during an inauguration to be a violation of Constitutional law.

  
Executed on February 28, 2009

I, William R. Haider, declare as follows:

I am a citizen of the United States and a resident of the State of Minnesota.

I am a member of The Freedom from Religion Foundation, American Humanist Association and Central Minnesota Friends Free of Theism. I am a secular humanist.

I was not able to watch or listen to the inauguration of President Obama as I did not have a TV or radio available to me. I learned that, as in prior inaugurations, the oath of office was administered by the Chief Justice with the words, "so help me God." I find that phrase offensive as it adds to the oath words that are not in the constitutional oath and violate Article VI section 3 in applying a religious test for office.

As a nonbeliever I feel disenfranchised such religious tests for office.

Being 62 years old, I hope to witness several inaugurations before my death and hope to live to see the end of this violation of the U.S. Constitution.

I declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct.

Executed by the undersigned on February 16, 2009.

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "William R. Haider".

William R. Haider  
1209 7<sup>th</sup> Ave N  
Sauk Rapids, MN 56379

I, Glenn Halasz (aka Richard Halasz, my stage name and name on record with the FFRF), declare as follows:

I am a citizen of the United States and a resident of the State of Wisconsin.

I am a member of the Freedom From Religion Foundation.

I consider myself an atheist.

I have watched the inaugurations of 2009, 2001, 1997, 1993 etc on television at my home. I also consider myself a political junkie and I've watched inaugurations with a close eye and since my youth. And I've read President Obama's inaugural address twice.

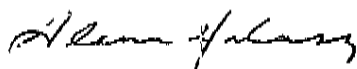
I watched the 2009 inauguration of Barack Obama live on television at my home, and later on repeated plays by MSNBC.

As I watched this inauguration, I could not help but feel a deep pride of our country and my state of Wisconsin. And through e-mails, instant messages, phone calls, letters and by personal contact I worked toward this result. I did this. Not an imaginary hand typing or dialing or shaking the hand of a friend. I did this. And I was able to define, possibly for the first time, the American dream. That dream being the reality of how one person, with reason as guide, can lead us to a better place. The power of the vote is the power of the individual and our choice is not mandated by imaginary deities. While I felt pride and hope with the prospect of change, I also felt anger and disgust when witnessing Rick Warren and Co., those who would chip away at accountability and transparency, those who would cloud church/state issues and maintain the status quo of theocracy. More anger, disgust and a sense of my being marginalized surged when hearing Chief Justice Roberts including, "So help you, God?" in the oath. I didn't sign on to this campaign so that my efforts would be so trivialized by the ridiculous insertion of Roberts. I didn't sign on the dotted line to spend time, postage and mailing material costs to hear the childish circumvention of Roberts. I did and do sign on to, and have read a number of times, the Constitution; A contract that needs to be read, not amended with whimsy, by the Chief Justice Roberts. I sensed that President Obama found it in his head and heart to include 'non-believers' in the inaugural address. Compromising a president-elect who worked so hard for many years to achieve his dream, with an improvised oath of office via Roberts prejudice and his mention of a deity, is not only a dismissal of the power of the vote but a betrayal of our work towards change.

Being 51 years old, I expect to witness five future inaugurations during my lifetime. I'd like to say that I would witness more inaugurations than that but I know that science is cuffed just as we have lost important work, each day the church denied Galileo the tools of his trade while incarcerated.

I declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct.

Executed on February 15, 2009.



Glenn Halasz

1671 N. Prospect Ave. #512 Milwaukee, Wisconsin 53202

**Jeffrey T. Haley**  
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February 13, 2009

I, Jeffrey T. Haley, declare as follows:

I am a citizen of the United States and a resident of the State of Washington.

I am a member of Freedom From Religion Foundation, Seattle Atheists, and Secular Coalition.

I consider myself a non-theist and scientist. I often feel oppressed and excluded when my governments express support for theistic beliefs, including such messages on money, recitations of the Pledge of Allegiance, and opening or closing government meetings with prayer to a god.

I heard the inaugurations of 1977, 1989, 1993, 1997 and 2005 on radio and read the transcripts of some of them.

I listened to the 2009 inauguration of Barack Obama and read the transcript. I was offended by chief Justice Roberts including the words "so help me God" in the oath. (I do not mind if the President chooses on his own to add such words – he can add whatever words he wants provided he takes the oath as specified in the constitution.)

I declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct.

Executed on February 13, 2009.

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Jeffrey T. Haley". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "Jeffrey" and last name "Haley" clearly distinguishable.

Jeffrey T. Haley

Re: Newdow v. Roberts.

February 14<sup>th</sup>, 2009

I, William J. Hall, declare as follows:

I am a citizen of the United States and a resident of the State of Wisconsin.

I am a member of the Freedom From Religion Foundation.

I consider myself an agnostic.

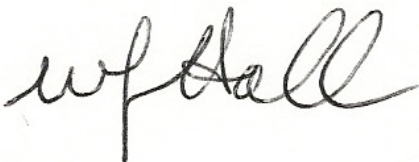
I have watched the presidential inaugurations of 1989, 1993, 1997, 2001, 2005 and the 2009 inauguration of Barack Obama on television at my home.

As I watched the 2009 inauguration, I felt it was inappropriate for Chief Justice Roberts to say “..so help me God.” at the end of the presidential oath, and as it was inappropriate for Mr. Obama to have to repeat it after him. The presence of christian priests saying christian prayers as part of the inaugural activities was also inappropriate. As a former Christian, I felt badly for my Jewish and Muslim friends who I know feel sighted when Christians imposes their beliefs on our government.

Being 85 years of age I hope to see a number of future inaugurations done free of religion.

I declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct.

Executed on February 14<sup>th</sup>, 2009

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'WJ Hall', written in a cursive style.

William J. Hall  
4803 Stettin Drive  
Wausau, WI 54401-3822

I, David Owen Hamel declare as follows:

I am a citizen of the United States and a resident of the State of Wisconsin.

I consider myself an atheist.

I have watched video replays of inaugural swearing-in ceremonies for JFK, Reagan, Clinton, and G.W.Bush.

I watched the 2009 inauguration of Barack Obama live at an inauguration party that I organized for my county and have seen the replays many times.

As I watched this inauguration and oaths of office from within a group of about 30 of my friends and neighbors I felt like an outsider while so much of the nation bowed their heads in obedience to Christian prayers. The people with the power to police me were basing their power on the power of the Bible and that worries me.

Being 71 years old, I expect to witness 2 or 3 future inaugurations during my lifetime.

I have 4 small grandchildren whose religious future is as yet undetermined. I hope they can grow up and mature in a nation that does not pressure them to follow the official government religion of their day, the way I have felt pressured.

I declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct.

Executed on *FEB. 14, 2009*

*David Owen Hamel*

David Owen Hamel

N8973 4<sup>th</sup> Ave

Westfield, WI 53964

I, *Brian Hart*, declare as follows:

I am a citizen of the United States and a resident of the State of California.

I am a member of the Independent Investigations Group, the Center for Inquiry, and the James Randi Educational Foundation.

I consider myself a humanist.

I have watched all of the Presidential inaugurations since 1964 on television.

I watched the 2009 inauguration of Barack Obama live on CNN on January 20, 2009.

As I watched this inauguration, I was very upset to hear the phrase, “so help you god” spoken by Chief Justice Roberts. There is no mention of god in the US Constitution because I believe the founding fathers deliberately left out ANY mention of religion.

Being 53 years old, I expect to witness several more future inaugurations during my lifetime.

I declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct.

Executed on February 19, 2009.

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Brian Hart". The signature is written in a cursive, slightly slanted style.

Brian Hart  
3277 Stoner Avenue  
Los Angeles CA 90066



*I, Diane Hart, declare as follows:*

*I am a citizen of the USA and a resident of the State of Nevada.*

*I am a member of, American Humanist and Atheist United.*

*I consider myself an atheist/humanist.*

*I have watched the inaugurations of 1989, 1993, 1997, 2001 and 2005 on television at my home.*

*I watched the 2009 inauguration of Barack Obama live on television at restaurant with several hundred people, and later on the Internet.*

*As I watched this inauguration, I was insulted at the Clergy and their message of Christianity and the obvious breach of our separation of Church v. State policy. This does not belong at a celebration for All the people. Also I was upset by the use of god in the oath administered by Chief Justice Roberts and the use of a bible. This oath should be taken without engendering religion and on the Constitution as that is what one is promising to defend, religion should not enter into it.*

*Being 61 years old, I expect to witness 6 future inaugurations during my lifetime.*

*I declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct.*

*Executed on February 18, 2009.*



*Diane Hart  
3645 Ash Springs Way  
Las Vegas, NV, 89129-5509*

I, Gary Dale Hawkins, declare as follows:

I am a citizen of the United States and a resident of the State of America.

I am a member of the Freedom From Religion Foundation.

I consider myself an atheist.

I have watched the inaugurations of 1989, 1993, 1997, 2001, and 2005 on television at my home.

I watched the 2009 inauguration of Barack Obama on live on television at my home

As I watched this inauguration, I appalled by the Christian message, especially the insertion of the lord's prayer, and by the 'so help you (me) god' insertion by the Chief Justice of the U.S. Supreme Court.

Being 62 years old, I expect to witness 5 or 6 future inaugurations during my lifetime.

I declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct.

Executed on February 17, 2009.



Gary Dale Hawkins  
1221 N. Ironwood Place  
Broken Arrow, OK 74012

I, declare as follows:

1. I am a citizen of the United States and a resident of the Great State of California.
2. I consider myself a Humanist and I am an Atheist
3. I have watched the inaugurations of Bill Clinton, George H Bush and George W Bush on television in my home.
4. I watched the 2009 inauguration of Barack Obama on television at home.
5. As I watched this inauguration, I was saddened to hear religious references that show a disregard for me as a citizen. Religion has been detriment to mankind, from that great man, Galileo Galilei who spent the rest of his life under house arrest by order of the church for telling the truth about being correct in regards to our world, to the possible thousands who have died of disease in our time because of the ridiculous restrictions on Stem cell research. In none of these cases should completely groundless and false superstition play a role of any kind what so ever in government or law. Let us base our world on real things learning new actual information as we go by seeking truth instead of blindly believing without reason.
6. Being 50 years old, I expect to witness 4 or 5 future inaugurations during my lifetime.
7. I am concerned of the effect this may have on my children, ages 24, 21, 18, and twins who are 13, as it gives false legitimacy to harmful false beliefs. My older children know better but my twin daughters do not.

I declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct.

Executed on February 20<sup>th</sup> 2009. }

I, Gloria Jacquelyn Heard, declare as follows:

I have been a citizen of the United States for seventy-seven years, I am a veteran, and a resident of the State of Pennsylvania, and I am a member of Pennsylvania Nonbelievers. In belief, I consider myself a humanist and Agnostic.

I have watched inaugurations on many occasions throughout my years of adult life including the 2009 inauguration of Barack Obama. I watched this during the actual live presentation on television in my home. As I watched this inauguration, I noticed the words "... so **help me God**" and I was sure this was not part of the actual oath. Roberts messed up the words so much during the oath, perhaps he thought that those that object wouldn't notice as he changed the ending by inserting his belief choice.

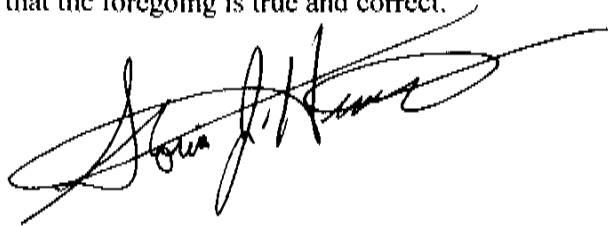
I am a firm believer in the separation of Church and State and I am disturbed by the insertion of this religious statement, injected into a political oath of office. We are a pluralistic country of many beliefs and no one religion should dictate or represent all our beliefs.

Contrary to what some believe this country was not established as a Christian Nation, but as a nation of free religious choices. Many choices.

I declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct.

Executed on February 17, 2009.

Gloria J. Heard  
250 Canary Circle  
York, PA 17404

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Gloria J. Heard", written over a horizontal line.

I, Walter G. Hecker, declare as follows:

1. I am a citizen of the United States and a resident of the State of California.
2. I am a member of the Freedom From Religion Foundation, the American Humanist Association and the Atheists of Silicon Valley.
3. I consider myself a secular humanist.
4. I have watched the inaugurations of 1989 and 2005 on television at my home.
5. I watched the 2009 inauguration of Barack Obama live on television at my home, and later on the Internet.
6. As I watched this inauguration, I was appalled that again a justice of the Supreme Court, who in his capacity should certainly know better, appended religious wording to the oath, thus deviating from the constitutionally mandated wording which is purposefully strictly non-religious.

Breaking word and spirit of the constitution in the in the act of promising to uphold it struck me as extremely troublesome. It made me wish that my children and grandchildren would never have to hear such farce.

I also object strongly to the governmental endorsement of religion by including, at other places, religious mumbo-jumbo in the inaugural proceedings, which, as an act of government, is constitutionally prescribed to be free of such endorsement.

7. Being 65 years old, I expect to witness several future inaugurations during my lifetime.

I declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct.

Executed on February 22nd, 2009.

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "W.G. Hecker" with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Walter G. Hecker  
35537 Galen Place  
Fremont, CA 94536  
(510)797-5517  
Walter.Hecker@gmx.net

1. I am a citizen of the United States and a resident of the State of Florida.
2. I am a member of The Atheist Nexus, am a disabled veteran of the United States Marine Corps, and a voting taxpayer.
3. I consider myself a Pantheist; one who has a reverence for nature with absolutely no belief in faith based concepts of deity or mythology. Nature is awesome enough without making up crazy things to attribute to it.
4. I have watched the presidential inaugurations of Bill Clinton (both 1993 and 1997), George W. Bush (both 2001 and 2005) all of them live as they happened on television.
5. I watched the 2009 inauguration of Barack Obama live as it happened on the television.
6. As I watched this inauguration, I felt hopeful that maybe things would look up for the country as opposed to the track that it had been taking with regard to keeping church and state separated. Then all the religiosity started. From Rick Warren vomiting his words of idiocy and potentially further alienating America in the eyes of the world by labeling us, rather clearly, as a Christian nation, to Justice Roberts adding words to the constitution, religious words no less, I began to see that perhaps things weren't going to change. Then President Obama mentioned non-believers for the first time in any inaugural speech and I actually felt included in the country I sacrificed my health for again. It wasn't long until my feeling of being united began to slide down into the festering pit of myth and mire again. Upon reviewing the event I began to see more and more unconstitutional things taking place and had to hope that we, as a society, would be rescued from the dogma that holds humanity chained and indeed America more than most.
7. Being 32 years old, I expect to witness 10 to 15 more future inaugurations during my lifetime.
8. My eleven year old daughter watched alongside my wife and I as I'm sure she will in 2013. She is developing her own personality and views of the world and felt as weird as I did about how religious the ceremony is. She even asked why there was so much praying and talk of god at a government event. She considers herself a Wiccan and wondered why they didn't mention her religion since they were bringing up god so much. She was alienated too. Hopefully she will not feel as alienated in the future and this doesn't affect her feelings of love for her country.

I declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct.

Executed on February 20, 2009.

I, Trina Hoaks, declare as follows:

I am a citizen of the United States and a resident of the State of Florida.

I am a member of the Stuart Atheist Group (SAG).

I consider myself an atheist.

I have watched every inauguration since 1976.

I watched the 2009 inauguration of Barack Obama live on television.

As I watched this inauguration, I felt not only excluded from the celebration but from the nation as well. The things that were said by the religious leaders who spoke during the event made me feel insignificant, unworthy, and like an outcast. Overall, I was left feeling that I was not an American.

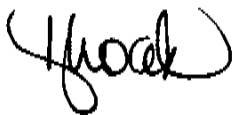
I was also disturbed by the fact that when the Presidential Oath of Office was being read to President Obama, that the inclusion of the "so help me, God" at the end of it seemingly violated my rights to be recognized as an American. The Constitution of this great land clearly lays out how the Oath is to be presented and the inclusion of "so help me, God," is exclusive.

Further, when those words are included, it seems to me that an incoming president immediately violates the Oath of Office. He is swearing to protect, preserve, and defend the Constitution of the United States, yet he is allowing it to be perverted by allowing the wording (which is dictated by the Constitution) of the Oath (thereby the Constitution) to be changed.

Being 44 years old, I expect to witness at least 11 future inaugurations during my lifetime.

I declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct.

Executed on February 18, 2009.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Trina Hoaks", written in a cursive style.

Trina Jane Hoaks

I, Peter N. Holste, declare as follows:

I am a citizen of the United States and a resident of the State of Minnesota.

I am a member of Minnesota Atheists and the Freedom From Religion Foundation.

I am an atheist.

I have watched nearly all of the televised presidential inaugurations since 1960—the notable exception being 1968, when I was serving in the U.S. Navy and a television was not available. In 1976 I attended the inauguration in person so that I could fulfill my ambition to be part of our great democratic tradition at least once in my life.

I watched the 2009 inauguration of Barack Obama on television.

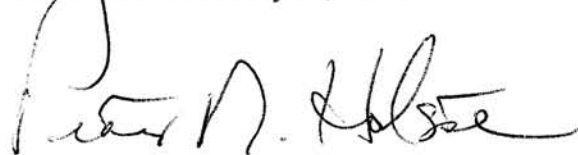
As usual, the event was thrilling. The pomp and circumstance never fails to fill me with awe and a sense of patriotism, although the contrived and unnecessary last phrase that the Chief Justice added to the presidential oath pained me. “So help me god” has nothing to do with the president’s ability or willingness to perform the duties of his office, and because I do not believe in god it felt like a slap in my face that Chief Justice Roberts added it.

Being 63 years old, I hope to witness at least eight more inaugurations before I die.

My two adult children also felt that the inauguration ceremony had been hijacked by Christians intent on marginalizing we citizens who are not members of that religious sect.

I declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct.

Executed on February 14, 2009.

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Peter N. Holste  
North Oaks, Minnesota

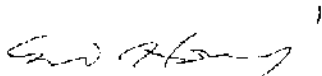


I, Emily Hommerding, declare as follows:

1. I am a citizen of the United States and a resident of the State of Minnesota.
2. I am a member of Central Minnesota Friends Free of Theism.
3. I consider myself an atheist.
4. I have watched the inaugurations of 2005 and 2009 on my television at home and at school.
5. I watched the 2009 inauguration of Barack Obama live on television at my public high school, and later at home on the internet.
6. As I watched this inauguration, I was disappointed with the inclusion of faith in the presidential oath, as well as the presence of prayer and clergy.
7. Being 18 years old, I expect to witness 15 future inaugurations during my lifetime.

I declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct.

Executed on February 21, 2009.



*Emily Hommerding*

*1816 22<sup>nd</sup> Street South*

*St. Cloud, MN 56301*

I, Bruce N. Honnigford, declare as follows:

1. I am a citizen of the United States and a resident of the State of Minnesota.
2. I consider myself an *Atheist*.
3. I have *watched the inaugurations of 1989, 1993, 2001, and 2005 on television at my home.*
4. I watched the 2009 inauguration of Barack Obama *live on television at my home, and later on the Internet.*
5. As I watched this inauguration, I was disturbed by the focus of religious content that was included as an integral part of the ceremony. As an Atheist, I find this unnecessary inclusion to be intimidating and alienating to me as a citizen of this country. I feel this crosses the boundary of the separation of church and state and serves as a tacit endorsement of religious belief over nonbelief.
6. Being 45 years old, I expect to witness at least 10 future inaugurations during my lifetime.

I declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct.

Executed on February 21, 2009.

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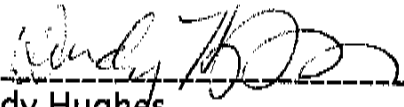
Bruce N. Honnigford

I, Wendy Hughes, declare as follows:

1. I am a citizen of the United States and a resident of the State of California.
2. I am a member of The Center for Inquiry, Los Angeles, and am an active volunteer in that organization.
3. I consider myself a Secular Humanist.
4. I have watched the Clinton inaugurations of 1993 and 1997 on television at home, and I even taped the one in '97.
5. I watched the 2009 inauguration of Barack Obama live on television at home, over and over again, and on the internet.
6. As I watched this inauguration, it was hard not to notice the intrusion of religious observance throughout the day --however, much of that is festivity and ritual and not spelled out by the Constitution. The Oath of Office is; in Article II, Section I of the Constitution it says: "I do solemnly swear (or affirm) that I will faithfully execute the office of President of the United States, and will to the best of my ability, preserve, protect and defend the Constitution of the United States." -- not "So help me god" -- Even if Justice Roberts had not jumbled up the oath, he should not have added the religious addendum.
7. Since I am sixty-one years old, somehow it mattered more to me this time. I expect to witness maybe another five future inaugurations during my lifetime, and I am taking this opportunity to try to influence the courts to make it right.

I declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct.

Executed on February 19th, 2009.

  
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Wendy Hughes  
10765 Kling Street, Apartment B  
North Hollywood CA 91602

I, Jill L. Humston, declare as follows:

I am a citizen of the United States and a resident of the State of Iowa.

I am a member of the Iowa Secularists and was elected to serve on the Board of Directors. I am also the Secretary. I am on the Board of Directors for Camp Quest of Minnesota, a secular summer camp designed for children of Unitarians, atheists, agnostics, freethinkers, humanists, or whatever terms might be applied to those who maintain a naturalistic, *not* supernaturalistic, world view. I am also a member of the Freedom From Religion Foundation.

I consider myself an atheist and a secular humanist.

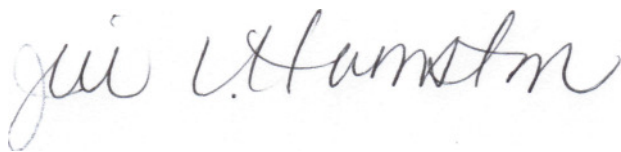
I have been a voting member of society since 1998. I watched the inauguration in 2001 from my dorm room during college and in 2005 with friends while in graduate school working towards my Ph.D.

I watched the 2009 inauguration of Barack Obama live on the Internet from my office. As I watched this inauguration, I was inspired for many reasons. However, I couldn't help but feel alienated by the inundation of prayers and invocations included in inaugural events. The addition of "so help me God" to the presidential oath lead by Chief Justice Roberts was also unsettling to a non-religious American.

Being 28 years old, I expect and hope to witness 12 future inaugurations during my lifetime.

I declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct.

Executed on February 19, 2009.

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Jill L. Humston". The signature is written in dark ink on a white background.

Jill L. Humston  
1212 Vermont St.  
Waterloo, IA 50702

DECLARATION

I, Wilfred A. Hunn, Jr. declare as follows:

I am a citizen of the United States and a resident of the State of Louisiana.

I am a member of both The Freedom from Religion Foundation and the New Orleans Secular Humanist Association.

I am an atheist.

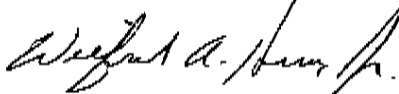
I watched the live inauguration of President Barack Obama on television at my home this year, and previous to that ceremony (during the years of my employment) saw replays on TV of numerous inaugurations after arriving home from work.

As I watched those inaugurations, I was quite annoyed at the assumption implicit within them that all citizens watching the proceedings would be in agreement with the conspicuously religious oath-ending statement being expressed by officials of my government. And it occurred to me that, although a natural-born citizen, my feelings as a non-theist were being accorded no respect whatsoever. As a consequence, I felt that (for at least that portion of the ceremony) I was being excluded.

Being 64 years of age, I expect to witness as many as 4 future inaugurations during my lifetime.

I declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct.

Executed on February 15, 2009.



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I, Virginia M. Hunsberger, declare as follows:

I am a citizen of the United States and a resident of the State of Pennsylvania.

I am a member of Freedom From Religion Foundation and Pennsylvania Nonbelievers.

I consider myself an atheist.

I watched the 2009 inauguration of Barack Obama on television, videotaped to watch after work that day.

As I watched this inauguration, I was hurt by the lack of inclusiveness demonstrated by the Reverend Rick Warren who delivered the invocation. His words were clearly addressed to the Christians in the audience, and in no way were intended to include people like me. I wanted to feel a part of the inauguration in this year in particular, and the tone of this invocation made me feel like an outsider.

I am currently 44 years old, so I expect to witness ten or more future inaugurations during my lifetime.

I declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct.

Executed on February 14, 2009.

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Virginia M. Hunsberger". The signature is written in dark ink and is positioned above the typed name and address.

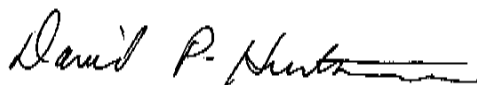
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I, David P. Huntsman, declare as follows:

1. I am a citizen of the United States and a resident of the State of Ohio.
2. I am a member of: the Freedom From Religion Foundation; the Center for Inquiry; and the Cleveland Freethinkers.
3. While words such as 'humanist', 'atheist' are not inaccurate to describe my perspectives, I consider myself a simply a freethinking human.
4. I have watched all Presidential elections on on TV, or listened to them on NPR, since the inauguration of Richard Nixon in 1969.
5. I listened to the 2009 inauguration of Barack Obama on NPR.
6. As I listened to the inauguration, I was struck and disappointed that an official secular Government event, required by our secular Constitution, included constant preaching by more than one Protestant (and only Protestant) ministers. I was also bothered that the Chief Justice, in his official capacity, added a religious "So Help Me God" to the Constitutionally-mandated, secular Oath of Office.
7. Being 54 years old, I expect to witness 7 future inaugurations during my lifetime.

I declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct.

Executed on February 20, 2009.



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