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**To: Those Who Have Unalienable Rights To Keep Their Property Without Takings of Any Kind**

*& Those Who Have No Rights But Only Privileges Enforced By Corrupted Courts and Force*

**Thought you might enjoy these two articles that came out in the Ecologic Powerhouse [www.freedom.org](http://www.freedom.org).**

**Seems the Law of Karma and Newton's Third Law has dealt a different hand to the New London Connecticut city council and the U.S. Globalist Supreme Court than they had planned. Government is like bailing twine that wraps itself around your axle until you are forced to cut it off.**

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<http://www.bizzblog.com/2008/06/03/the-ke-lo-new-london-cal-amity-continues-barren-land/>

***The Kelo-New London Calamity Continues ('Barren Land'; with Links to Previous Related Posts)***



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*It has been nearly three years since the Kelo v. New London ruling by the US Supreme Court, and of two years since the city of New London, CT settled with the final two Fort Trumbull holdouts, Kelo and the Cristofaro family.*

*The Supreme Court's majority, in their June 2005 Kelo ruling, declared that "public use" as Fifth Amendment to the Constitution really means "public purpose" — that is, instead of the being able to take land through eminent domain only for the purpose of building a public structure creating a public service (road, bridge, school, park, etc.), the government can take land for any believes a worthy one. In the case of New London, the city believed that demolishing occupied, houses that had stood for over 100 years and developing "something else" that would garner the revenues was a worthy public purpose.*

*What has been done with the property since then?*

*As a development-related deadline loomed in mid-May, a Hartford TV station filed this report, and the answer:*

### ***Plans Stall In Fort Trumbull***

*Land Remains Barren After Homes Torn Down*

*Next month marks the third anniversary of the controversial U.S. Supreme Court allowed the city of New London to use the power of eminent domain. But, not much been made in Fort Trumbull, leaving some wondering whether the homeowners were for nothing.*

*..... Channel 3 Eyewitness News reporter Kevin Hogan reported that where homes once the land is now barren.*

*He reported that Corcoran and Jennison is having problems securing the \$18 million needed to build the townhouses.*

*The city said the clock on its extension to find the funding is running out.*

*Two weeks later, Corcoran Jennison failed to secure the financing required for the project (New links in this post will last only a few days; a paid subscription is required after that):*



### *'It's Over' For Corcoran Jennison, NLDC*

*The Corcoran Jennison company has lost its exclusive right to develop nearly the entire half of the Fort Trumbull peninsula, officials from the New London Development Corp. an interview Friday with the editorial board of The Day.*

*"We signed a development agreement with CJ, and now we're without one," said an unequivocal NLDC President Michael Joplin. "There is no preferred developer at the*

*"It's over," corporation Vice President Karl-Erik Sternlof said of the company's the NLDC to be the sole developer of a hotel, a 7-acre office parcel and more than 100 units.*

*That agreement, which has been extended four times since 2001, expired at 5 p.m. when Corcoran Jennison failed to meet a critical deadline to secure financing for its million rental complex of 66 apartments and 14 townhouses.*

*..... Corcoran Jennison officials have said a slowed housing market and stingy lending had widened the housing plan's "financing gap" to more than \$3 million. That gap nearly \$12 million loan and a 20 percent - or \$4 million - investment from the Boston company.*

*..... Sternlof said the NLDC's own consultant believes that it may be two to three years any developer could realize a profit by bringing housing to Fort Trumbull.*

*A New London Day editorial tried to put lots of lipstick on a very ugly pig:*

*It's time for a fresh look at Fort Trumbull. Yes, the economy is anemic and credit is there may be a developer out there with a viable plan.*

*That's the potential silver lining in the Corcoran Jennison cloud. The city now has the at least find out if there is someone else out there who has the wherewithal to breathe into Fort Trumbull.*

*The Municipal Development Plan for the 90-acre peninsula was developed a decade based on a comprehensive environmental evaluation of the property. The major include the housing, hotel, office space and a museum. Mr. Joplin said there is wide*



*within the plan to tweak the various components.*

*..... The state has a big stake in what happens at Fort Trumbull. It has invested about million in the neighborhood - including about \$80 million on the Fort Trumbull Development Plan, \$25 million for Fort Trumbull State Park; and sizeable outlays for acquisition and remediation of a former scrap metal yard, waste water facility upgrades incentives for Pfizer Inc., which located its global headquarters adjacent to the old Fort Trumbull neighborhood.*

*Apparently, “Kelo” is the word that shall not be uttered at the New London Day. It appears in two Day articles I reviewed.*

*Dozens of destroyed homes and surely more than \$200 million later, including costs and lost to the city, there’s nothing. And, based on current plans, if the project ever comes to pass, the have replaced a bunch of homes with ..... a bunch of homes.*

*Even though the property involved was the subject of the case that, in the absence of overriding fundamentally changed the nature of the government-property owner relationship, various news indicate that the project’s starting-over status is apparently not “newsworthy” enough for national*

*It’s as if news organizations believe that no one is interested in how things have really worked out ground. I doubt that very much. I’ve seen plenty of “years later, nothing’s been done” stories several decades I have followed the news. Why not this one?*

*Perhaps it’s because a lot of people would react as one commenter did to the Day’s editorial:*

*People were forced from their homes in order to please the greedy, gouging local quest for more tax money. The complete disrespect by the NLDC, The NL Day, the City London and the US Supreme Court towards the sovereign right to own property must forgive*

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## *Three years ago, the State broke that most troublesome and commandment against coveting the possessions of others*

*What does it mean to covet? Of the Ten Commandments carved on the two tablets that Moses 3,320 years ago this past Monday, the one concerning coveting is the hardest to understand. Can desire nothing at all?*

*The other commandments either concern respect for God (don't worship other gods, don't build false idols, keep the Sabbath, etc.), or respect for others (don't murder, steal, perjure, or adultery). But what of the tenth and final commandment not to covet your neighbor's wife or Could your mere thoughts alone influence reality?*

*This may remind you of *The Secret*, that Oprah-endorsed self-help book and film that teaches that you can vividly imagine as being yours will become yours. Critics panned the idea as wishful as the book became a best-seller. But perhaps it's far more sinister, perhaps the "Law of alleged secret that "has travelled through centuries to reach you," is the Biblically banned vice of*

*What's the difference between an unhealthy coveting and a healthy but intense desire? Consider ugly, lovable barkeep on *The Simpsons*. When all the guys are complaining about their lady shares his woe too: "The girl I'm stalking had me bumped back to two hundred feet."*

*By the time someone is stalking your wife or your possessions, even if they don't trespass or steal, Battery is the crime of getting hit, but assault is nothing more than an apprehension of impending Perhaps likewise coveting is banned even if the property never gets taken. Perhaps what is being the disquiet you feel watching someone else creepily ogle your stuff or leer at your spouse—that your possessions could actually be taken at any time.*

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*Susette Kelo was robbed of her home in New London a few short years ago. The Supreme Court voted 5-4 in *Kelo v. New London* that communities have the right to condemn homes through domain and transfer them to other private parties that would pay more taxes to that community.*



*The Supreme Court ruled that states and localities may covet your land. Government officials can and ogle your home, and if they like it, they will take it.*

*At least one writer has suggested that the original connotations of coveting suggested images to audience of witchcraft and sorcery, evil eyes and hexes. As late as 1642 right here in Connecticut, twelve "Capital Laws," laws punishable by death. The laws essentially followed and even cited the Commandments. If you worshiped any other God but the Lord God, or you blasphemed, or you murder, kidnapping, rape, or fraud, or you perjured, then you would be put to death. One capital law, second on the list, was against witchcraft.*

*Yet there was nothing about coveting. Perhaps coveting and the black arts had been muddled minds for thousands of years, and it is only in recent times, when magic has begun to mean card sleight-of-hand, that we have de-linked the concepts.*

*Speaking of muddled muggles and witches, Harry Potter author J.K. Rowling gave the Harvard commencement address last week, in which she revealed that one of her earliest influences was the that what we achieve inwardly will change outer reality. And perhaps it's true, at least as far as is concerned. Hardly a thought passes a legislative body that doesn't involve taking private line between legislative thought and legislative action is thin indeed.*

*Maybe the tenth commandment was meant to be a restriction on coveting by the government. really be a libertarian commandment?*

*You might expect libertarians to be the last people to allow restrictions on thought. After all, in a nutshell is: Don't initiate force. Those three words subsume laws against murder, theft, fraud, perjury and prohibit virtually any restriction on speech, religion, and thought. So how could a support a ban on coveting, which is barely anything more than thought?*

*In two ways. One, as discussed above, requires coveting to be as extreme as an assault on your second is that the ban of coveting applies to government, not individuals. The original Hebrew appears in a handful of other places in the Bible but perhaps this quote in the Book of Micah says*

*"Ah, those who plan iniquity And design evil on their beds; When morning dawns, they do it, For the power. They covet fields, and seize them; Houses, and take them away. They defraud men of And people of their land."*

*Had the Supreme Court ruled against New London, it could have cited this passage in inspiration.*



*They could also have cited the second president of the United States, John Adams, who said, "The the idea is admitted into society that property is not as sacred as the laws of God, and that there is of law and public justice to protect it, anarchy and tyranny commence. If 'Thou shalt not covet' and shalt not steal' were not commandments of Heaven, they must be made inviolable precepts in every before it can be civilized or made free."*

*Increasingly, the government is coveting our possessions. They use eminent domain to transfer our homes to their crony corporations, asset-forfeiture laws to seize our money and cars without a way it is done is the blackest modern art of all. No private person can wield power equivalent to single stroke of a bureaucrat's pen. It's government sorcery, and we've stopped opposing it.*

*On June 21, the three-year anniversary of the Supreme Court decision, Susette Kelo is holding a cutting ceremony in her new home. She still lives in New London. Like us, don't you think she's looking over her shoulder? Don't you think she'll always be a little worried about every piece of looking mail, or a knock on her door?*

*President Adams, it seems as if anarchy and tyranny have commenced.*

*So what do we do now?*

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