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Who Owns Democracy?

The Real Deep State and the Struggle Over Class and Caste in America

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“Severe problems of democracy are much in the news, but actually go way back to the beginning of the country. We now want to look at how both the deep state and American fascist forces played a key role from the very beginning of the United States.” – Charles Derber, Professor of Sociology at Boston College

The two “deep states” of cultural and ideological ideals, as well as their clashing trade and other economic interests, led, as in many marriages, to an increasingly troubled relationship, that led ultimately to a violent divorce and military destruction of the Confederate deep state. But it did not end the enduring legacy of both deep states that shapes our nation’s divisive politics today.

A **MAGA conspiratorial concept** is that there is a “**deep state.**” But could there be a **very real “deeper state”** that has been evident throughout history, **back to the founding of American democracy?**

Interview Guest:

Charles Derber is **Professor of Sociology at Boston College** and has written **26 books - on politics, democracy, fascism, corporations, capitalism, climate change, war, the culture wars, culture and conversation, and social change.** His bestselling books include *The Pursuit of Attention* and *the Wilding of America*. He writes for and has been reviewed in the *NY Times*, the *Washington Post*, the *Boston Globe*, *Truthout*, and other leading media.

His books are **translated into 14 languages** including Chinese, Korean, Tamil, German, Portuguese, Spanish, French, Italian and Polish- and he is a bestseller in South Korea, done extended book tours in German bookstores and blues coffee houses, and has lectured in Italy in June for seven years. Derber is a public intellectual - **shortlisted in 2006 by the American Independent Booksellers Association** for *Hidden Power*, the best book in current affairs - who believes that serious ideas should be written in an accessible and entertaining style. His most recent books include ***Dying for Capitalism*** (<https://ksqd.org/are-we-dying-from-capitalism/>), *Welcome to the Revolution*, *Moving Beyond Fear*,

Sociopathic Society: A People's Sociology of the United States;
Capitalism: Should You Buy It?

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