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TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN

## SPIRITUAL SOVEREIGNTY

### **Summary:**

I view democracy (where the 51% claim the right of might" over the 49%) to be agin biblical guidance therefore I do not vote but choose to obey the 'laws of the land' out of pragmatism. As a Christian when there is a difference between the two I choose to submit to biblical (i.e. the moral or natural law) over the laws of the land.

### **Detailed explanation.**

I was born in Auckland in October of 1958.

In Q1, 1978 I dedicated my life to Jesus Christ.

c. 1982 I consciously ceased deceiving others.

c. 1987 I consciously ceased stealing from others.

On 23 August 2020 I shared my value system publicly in a post called, "Personal Spiritual Sovereignty" (<https://www.dennis.nz/2020/08/personal-spiritual-sovereignty/>)

I thereabouts updated my personal Disclosure Statement (<https://www.dennis.nz/disclosure-statement/#sovereignty>) to read:

*My belief system is based on the Christian faith thus my perspective is that I have personal sovereignty. This is the only logical position if I am to be held personally accountable at the end of time. I doubt that Cindy will be there going in to bat for me. I do not believe in democracy – i.e. the right of might [where the 51% rules over the 49%] but I am not an advocate for anarchy. I choose instead to obey the laws to adhere to social norms but where there is a conflict between the law and my personal values, my personal values will trump. As the State increases its demands upon its citizens, I welcome & expect to be in a permanent conflict with the State. I seek most of all to be able to expose the reality of this power struggle and am prepared to pay the price for doing so, this approach akin to the Christians being willing to be thrown to the lions.*

Thank you

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "Dennis A. Smith". The signature is written in black ink and is positioned above the printed text.

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