



## **A Brief History of First Principles Press (1991-2007)**

*Our mission is to support and defend America as  
"One Nation Under God;" a Republic with fixed founding principles  
and laws, ordered liberty, and Freedom of Conscience for all.*

*America's first principles and rights derive from our "Creator" providing a government of limited and separated powers, which secures liberty, individual responsibility, public accountability and private property which creates America's unique independence and sovereignty.*

America was founded as "One Nation Under God," but today her future is in the hands of a generation ignorant of the country's history. Through prayer and action, First Principles has sounded a call to "Restore" (Isaiah 42:22) through three educational campaigns:

- 1) teaching American history from uncensored primary source documents, revealing the Christian foundations of American law and civil government (American History Restoration Project);
- 2) restoring lost legal protections in state laws for marriage, women and children (RSVP America), and;
- 3) defending and restoring prayer and our founding "Exemplary Conduct," the First Principle of America's Armed Forces (First Principles, Inc.).

### **1. AMERICAN HISTORY RESTORATION PROJECT**

The History Restoration Project has been sustained by a model effort from the Commonwealth of Kentucky, which has been replicated in other states. In 1992, Kentucky was the first state to pass a law, KRS 158.195, making it illegal to censor American history because of religious references in founding state documents such as Kentucky's Constitution. In 2000, the Kentucky General Assembly passed Senate Joint Resolution 57 to provide for distribution of the law, KRS 158.195, to school board members, teachers, and principals. The Kentucky General Assembly following the supreme Court on four cases from 1844 to 1931, made a finding of historical fact that:

Section 7. The General Assembly finds the Ten Commandments to be the precedent legal code of the Commonwealth which has provided the foundation for many of the civil and criminal statutes enacted into law throughout the history of the Commonwealth.

First Principles has amassed a large archive of early American history books and resources to prepare a formal curriculum defining the Foundations of American law and civil government. Training in this curriculum is ongoing in forums such as Advanced Officers Courses (AOC) at Ft. Knox, Kentucky, American Family Association, Asbury College's history department, a Lexington seminary, civic groups, churches, and veterans groups including ROA, American

Legion, the Military Order of the World Wars Youth Leadership Conferences and National Pro-family forums.

## **2. RSVP AMERICA: RESTORING SOCIAL VIRTUE & PURITY TO AMERICA**

Since 1995, the *RSVP America* Campaign has exposed the fraudulent view of human sexuality propounded by The Kinsey Reports and distributed via the august and respected American Law Institute's Model Penal Code to state legislators, judges, educators, and activists. Through Education, Law, and Medicine, Kinsey's "research" was institutionalized and the 1950's media referred to The Reports as the "K-bomb."

FPP publications produced to counter the Kinsey frauds include: *Kinsey: Crimes and Consequences* (1998-2000), which documents the findings of Dr. Judith Reisman's 20 years of research on Kinsey; a Monograph by Dr. Linda Jeffrey and Colonel Ronald D. Ray entitled *A History of the American Law Institute's Model Penal Code: The Kinsey Reports' Influence on "Science-based" Legal Reform 1923-2003*, (2003). In April 2004, The American Legislative Exchange Council (ALEC) published a *State Factor* entitled: *Restoring Legal Protections for Women and Children: A Historical Analysis of the States' Criminal Codes*, approved for national distribution in December of 2003 to their state legislator membership of 2,400 members. *RSVP America* has received worldwide media attention via a British documentary entitled "Secret Histories: Kinsey's Poedophiles" produced in August 1998. Though censored by PBS, even though the documentary affirms the findings made by *RSVP*, First Principles has distributed the documentary in the United States.

## **3. PROMOTING CHRISTIAN PRAYER AND EXEMPLARY CONDUCT IN U.S. ARMED FORCES**

The first principles of the Armed Forces enacted by Congress in November 1775 require Virtue, Honor, and Exemplary Conduct and secondly prayer and Divine services at least twice a day:

"Article 1. "The Commanders of all ships and vessels belonging to the THIRTEEN UNITED COLONIES, are strictly required to shew in themselves a good example of honor and virtue to their officers and men, and to be very vigilant in inspecting the behaviour of all such as are under them and to discountenance and suppress all dissolute, immoral and disorderly practices; and also, such as are contrary to the rules of discipline and obedience, and to correct those who are guilty of the same according to the usage of the sea."<sup>1</sup>

Article 2. "The Commanders of the ships of the Thirteen United Colonies are to take care that divine service be performed twice a day on board, and a sermon preached on Sundays, unless bad weather or other extraordinary accidents prevent it.

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<sup>1</sup> Authored by John Adams and enacted by the Continental Congress, 1775; currently the requirement of Exemplary Conduct for the U.S. Navy and Marine Corps is Title 10, U.S.C. §5947; for the U.S. Army is Title 10, U.S.C. §3583; and for the U.S. Air Force is Title 10 U.S.C. §8583.

Amid the recent Congressional hearings and calls for immediate action in response to the military sexual abuse and assault situation, the Undersecretary for Personnel and Readiness created a task force which is reviewing procedures for care and counseling for sexual assault victims, as well as ways for victims to report assaults, a civilian model rather than a military model for such matters. FPP has urged the consideration of teaching and enforcing the Congressionally-mandated Exemplary Conduct standard as the solution to this grievous problem.

In the midst of today's sexual abuse situation FPP has encouraged the teaching and enforcing of Exemplary Conduct to solve whatever conduct problems exist in the United States or overseas. The Code should be taught beginning at entry level military training and be repeated as necessary. Exemplary Conduct, as defined in Title 10, is a real military solution to uphold America's highest military standards of virtue, honor and to hold our military leaders accountable to a higher standard than civilians.

To that end, in 2006, FPP has produced a White Paper entitled; "Teaching and Enforcing Exemplary Conduct: Preventing "Immoral and Dissolute Behavior," a history and application of our Military First Principles of "Virtue, Honor, Patriotism and Subordination."

## **FIRST PRINCIPLES HIGHLIGHTS (1991-2007)**

- First Principles' inaugural event in 1990 was to invite David Barton to Kentucky for the first time. He introduced a group of over 200 to Original Intent, America's Godly Heritage and the Biblical foundations of American law and civil government. Col. Ray remarked he had not been taught these truths in Law School, but knew God's calling would change the principles on which we would practice law.
- Within 60 days of the Barton event, the Secretary of the Army nominated Eunice Ray to a three year appointment on The Defense Advisory Committee on Women in the Services (DACOWITS), the Principle Advisor on Women in the Armed Forces to the U.S. Secretary of Defense. The Secretary of Defense appointed Eunice on April 15, 1991 and she served three years, until April of 1994. We participated frequently in Washington in preparing witnesses for hearings before the Senate Armed Services Committee on the role and assignment of women in the Armed Forces during 1991 and began preparing summaries and materials for Flag and General Officers, as well as pastors, lawyers, elected and appointed officials.
- As a result of Eunice's service on the DACOWITS, President George Herbert Walker Bush appointed Colonel Ronald D. Ray to serve on the President's Commission on the Assignment of Women in the Armed Forces during 1992.
- During 1992 providentially the Lord directed us to prepare for the principle attack on the military in 1993, regardless of who was elected President in November 1992, which was an attempt to force open homosexuality into the Armed Forces. Another wake-up call occurred during the Presidential Commission hearings in Los Angeles, California, August 1992, where David Horowitz testified that:

My father and mother were dedicated Bolsheviks; I was raised in a home dedicated to the subversion and overthrow of America and all its institutions. By the late 1960s we had achieved our objective in all of your institutions except the U.S. Armed Services. Our revolutionary counsels in the late 60s which included Ron Dellums and Pat Schroeder (who at the time were respectively the Chairman of the House Armed Services Committee and the Chairman of the House Armed Services Committee Subcommittee on Military Personnel) that the best way to finish undermining the armed forces was to advance the idea of women serving in the combat arms and promoting homosexuality in the Armed Services.

- In November 1992, Colonel Ray determined to write a book which became *Military Necessity and Homosexuality* (1993) as a warning Flag and General officers, elected and appointed officials and others about the planned homosexual assault in the Armed Forces in 1993. Enormous publicity followed this effort, including an opportunity to appear on "Larry King Live" and a few months later, Peter Jennings "ABC Evening News" and

many other talk radio opportunities. Military Necessity was distributed providentially by the Reserve Officers Association (ROA) to every Flag and General officer in the Armed Forces, Guard and Reserve, as well as active duty, by March of 1993. We were able to brief members of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, including General Colin Powell. Our book was reprinted as written by Brassey's, the military division of Maxwell Macmillan Book Company, which provided authority and wider distribution. Many attributed our initiative to stalling Clinton's attempt to legitimize homosexuality in the Armed Forces through Executive Order and the "Don't Ask-Don't Tell" compromise in August of 1993 which was in violation of our Military First Principle "to be vigilant in inspecting the behaviour of all such as are under them and to discountenance and suppress all dissolute, immoral and disorderly practices."

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- Thereafter, in 1994 FPP was requested to act as Special Counsel to the Naval Aviation Foundation, Chaired by the former Chairman of the Joint Chiefs and former Chief of Naval Operations, Thomas H. Moorer, Jr. and was asked to file a Friend of the Court Brief in a six-year-old case in the District of Columbia Court of Appeals involving Joseph Steffen, Steffen v. Perry, which was an attempt to legitimize homosexuality at the U.S. Naval Academy.
  - Having already completed two years of research and fact finding, FPP filed the decisive Brief, which reversed a three Judge panel ordering Steffen to be re-enrolled, graduated, commissioned and promoted in the United States Navy. The 8 to 3 en banc decision established that homosexuality is incompatible with American military service.
  - In 1995 FPP published a briefing book, "Partner Solicitation Language as a Reflection of Male Sexual Orientation," by Judith A. Reisman, Ph.D., and Charles B. Johnson, Ph. D. These data were used in the courts to refute the hypothesis that there is no difference between homosexual and heterosexual conduct other than partner gender.
  - In 1995 and 1996, Colonel Ray represented Specialist Michael New and challenged illegal deployment of U.S. service men under foreign commanders in UN uniforms on UN military missions which had not been authorized by the U.S. Congress. By prayer and action, we were on the front page of the Wall Street Journal in January 1996.
  - In 1997 through 2003, *RSVP America*, a project of FPP, worked closely with Dr. Judith Reisman in the publication of her book; ran a campaign in 8 states to alert activists to the effects of Kinsey in Law and Education; commissioned Dr. Linda Jeffrey to determine the extent of Alfred Kinsey's "junk science" as a fraudulent authority to overturn 52 state laws which formerly protected marriage, women and children, which led to the publication of a Monograph by Dr. Linda Jeffrey and Colonel Ronald D. Ray entitled *A History of the American Law Institute's Model Penal Code: The Kinsey Reports' Influence on "Science-based" Legal Reform 1923-2003*, published in 2003. This effort led the American Legislative Exchange Council to publish a Kinsey expose in their "State Factor" journal entitled: *Restoring Legal Protections for Women and Children: A Historical Analysis of the States' Criminal Codes*. The State Factor was finally approved

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in December of 2003 and published and distributed to their state legislator membership of 2,400 in April of 2004.

- Continued research on the first two principles of the American Armed Forces led to extensive research on the history of prayer in the Armed Forces. The findings were filed in the U.S. Court of Appeals for the 4<sup>th</sup> Circuit in ACLU v. Virginia Military Institute and in the U.S. supreme Court, and was distributed widely among Flag and General officers and to the leadership of the Citadel, the Virginia Military Institute and to the U.S. Naval Academy. The Naval Academy has resisted ACLU and Anti-Defamation League of B'nai B'rith attacks on daily prayer at meals at the Naval Academy in part because of the historical research developed for the Naval Aviation Foundation and First Principles, Inc.
- A Friend of the Court Brief was filed in January of 2003 in Lawrence v. Texas, addressing state laws restricting sodomy. Our brief was based on research revealing the fraudulent basis of The Kinsey Reports and the reliance of the ALI Model Penal Code on The Kinsey Reports "junk science." Thereafter, a front page story in The Washington Post the leading liberal newspaper in Washington, D.C. announced that as soon as Lawrence v. Texas was settled the sodomy ruling would spur challenges to the military's policy on gays, Monday, August 4, 2003.
- We provided counsel in the lower courts on the McCreary County Ten Commandments case, and collaborated with the legal department for American Family Association in data collection and analysis in these cases. First Principles library of over 10,000 volumes continues to provide research resources and training for activists, legal counsel, and legislators.
- From 1992 to the present day we have worked vigilantly to ensure the better understanding among Flag and General officers and leaders of church and state of the first two principles of the U.S. Armed Forces, which led to opportunities to brief, educate and work with Pentagon officials including the Inspector General of the Department of Defense appointed by George Bush in 2001 and confirmed in 2002 to encourage the Secretary of Defense to issue a Liberty Day proclamation (James Madison's birthday), March 16, 2002, to remind everyone of the Declaration of Independence, the Constitution, the Bill of Rights and those First Principles of the Continental Army and the Continental Navy which were published DoD wide.
- On October 31, 2003, the DoD Inspector General provided the Service Secretaries with Statutory Tools for Suppressing Sexual Misconduct at Service Academies, with the first Tool being the Exemplary Conduct Leadership Standard.
- On November 7, 2003, the DoD Inspector General issued guidance for civilian and military personnel employed by the Office of Inspector General of the Department of Defense to understand and adhere to the Congressional standard of Exemplary Conduct. (Memorandum, Attachment 3)



- On January 30, 2004, the Deputy Secretary of Defense relied upon the Exemplary Conduct Standard in publishing the DoD wide Memorandum warning Service personnel about the international sex-slavery trade and human trafficking and cited the authority of the Exemplary Conduct Statute 10 U.S. C 5947 and others.
- On September 20, 2004, Senator Jim Bunning wrote to the Secretary of Defense asking that the Exemplary Conduct standard be taught and enforced to address the sex abuse “crisis.”
- On February 23, 2005, the Inspector General of the Department of Defense requested an Exemplary Conduct evaluation, implementation and enforcement review for all of the services and report, “what actions have been formally taken to implement the statute;” “the extent to which the Exemplary Conduct standard is incorporated into training in departmental schools and at what level;” and “how the Exemplary Conduct standard has been and is currently being enforced.” Response came back and generated letters from U.S. Senators and others encouraging the teaching and enforcing of Exemplary Conduct DoD wide.

The foundations of America’s institutions are being incrementally stripped away. First Principles’ calling is to equip leaders to restore America’s guiding First Principles, specifically in the Military and the Church.

*“It is therefore of immense importance to men to have fixed ideas about God, their souls, and their duties toward their Creator and their fellows, for doubts about these first principles would leave all their actions to chance and condemn them, more or less, to anarchy and impotence.”*

The Republic of the United States of America, 1849, Alexis de Toqueville

- On November 9, 2005, Senator James M. Inhofe (R-OK) spoke on the Senate floor in support of an amendment to the National Defense Authorization Act of 2006, based on our published research, to provide authority for prayers at American Service Academies including prayer at any appropriate Academy functions. The vote that followed was unanimously in support (99-0) of securing some freedom for Superintendents to provide prayer at the Service Academies. Senator Inhofe’s lengthy speech contained in the Congressional Record on the necessity of preserving leader-led prayer relied heavily upon research conducted by First Principles for the Naval Aviation Foundation, Inc., and the amicus brief filed in the VMI case in support of meal-time prayer.
- During May 2006 through January 2007, Col. Ray briefed many elected and appointed officials and staff, including Representative Walter Jones (R-NC) on the history of military leader-led prayer and Christian chaplain led prayer (1774 to the present). Rep. Jones, who is the leader in the House fighting to preserve Christian chaplain prayer, received copies of the FPP publication for the VMI prayer case, *Report on the Professional Military Judgment of Senior American Commanders (From 1775 to Present) Concerning the Crucial Importance of Official Prayer to the Morale and Well-*

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*Being of the American Military* (NAF). Following this briefing by Col. Ray and armed with historical material supplied by FPP, Rep. Jones and his staff immediately met with the Secretary of the Navy to strongly present the significance of prayer in the Armed Forces. They delivered a copy of the Prayer Report to the Navy Secretary and have since then requested more information from FPP.

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