

### [Federalist Paper #1](#)

1	Among the most formidable of the obstacles which the new Constitution will have to encounter
2	may will be a certain class of men in every State who wish to resist all changes because they
3	may result in these men losing the power and the offices they hold in the State governments . . .
4	a dangerous ambition more often lurks behind the mask of men who claim to be for the rights of
5	the people, for they more often than not claim to be for the rights of man, but only because they
6	seek to elevate their own position... we should be not for blindly bending the government to the
7	rights of the people, but for the efficiency and firmness of a national government. History will
8	teach us that the first has been found a much more certain road to the introduction of despotism
9	than the second...

### [Federalist Paper #51](#)

1	But what is government itself, but the greatest of all reflections on human nature? If men were
2	angels, no government would be necessary. If angels were to govern men, neither external nor
3	internal controls on government would be necessary. In framing a government which is to be
4	administered by men over men, the great difficulty lies in this: you must first enable the
5	government to control the governed; and oblige it to control itself . . .

### [Federalist Paper #84](#)

1	"Here, in strictness, without the Bill of Rights, the people surrender nothing; and as they retain
2	everything they have no need of particular rights outlined. "WE, THE PEOPLE of the United
3	States, to secure the blessings of liberty to ourselves and our posterity, do ORDAIN and
4	ESTABLISH this Constitution for the United States of America." . . . I go further, and affirm that
5	bills of rights, are not only unnecessary in the proposed Constitution, but would even be
6	dangerous. They would contain various exceptions to powers not granted... For why declare that
7	things shall not be done which there is no power to do? Why, for instance, should it be said that
8	the liberty of the press shall not be restrained, when no power is given to the government by
9	which restrictions may be imposed? . . .Furthermore, if some powers are outlined and protected,
10	what can happen to those that aren't?