

YOUR Federal Overreach Stories

Have you seen examples of Federal overreach in your life? Have you had your civil liberties compromised? Tell us about it below!



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Your Name	
Mark Allen	
Your City	
Lindon	
Tell us YOUR story	

Evidence was hidden from 7 judges by dishonest attorney. 7 years of prosecution. I found the hidden evidence this involves the highest level of prosecutors in Utah. Call for details.



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Your Name

Bob McEntee

Your City

Ogden

Tell us YOUR story

Everyone who has been searched by the TSA (without probable cause) at an airport has had their 4th Amendment rights trampled. Consider the national vaccine mandate (dictate) pushed from the White House—absolutely illegal, and thank God the SCOTUS recognized that. All people have 1st, 4th, 9th and States have 10th Amendment rights. The attempted illegal, immoral vaccine mandate highlighted how some in government view themselves as regents, or Kings rather than elected representatives under the law. Lawmakers must remember the rights in our Constitutionally merely recognize divinely conveyed rights, it doesn't institute them. All people have a 9th Amendment right to rights retained by the people. This of course means absolute sovereignty over what goes into their own body; no government or business has a right to override that God-given 9th Amendment right and shame on any that thinks they do. We also need proper Judeo-Christian values taught again lest we become an even more lawless society that cannot self-govern or deserve the liberty we should have.



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Your Name

Holly Sweeten

Your City

Orem

Tell us YOUR story

I have 2 stories to share: 1. As a 7th generation Utahn with impactful pioneer heritage, I represent a long line of generational homesteaders who were ranchers and farmers. These were strong hearty families who understood they were stewards of the land. Because Utah is over 67% federally owned, the regulatory agencies are increasingly becoming more controlling over Utahs public lands, slowly choking out the ability for the citizens of Utah to sustain food security through our own agricultural efforts. Not only is agriculture affected but mining, recreation and other self governing efforts. We must understand how to keep the divisions and balances from the federal to the state level. Holly Sweeten 801-361-4431 District 58



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Your Name

Brigitta Mueller

Your City

Levan UT

Tell us YOUR story

I got involved because I see a continuous abuse of power by the Federal Government'. I was blocked for a time on Twitter simoly for being a Make America Great supporter. I have watched as they have opened our border's jeopardizing all of our safety. I am first generation American on my mothers side and I see all the things she warned me about im WW2 Getmany happening here. We MUST put a stop to the destruction pf our Constitution.



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Your Name

Leslie Probert

Your City

Spanish Fork

Tell us YOUR story

We are deeply concerned for the safety of our grandchildren concerning Title IX being used by the Federal government to put boys in girl's bathrooms and locker rooms. The Federal government has no business dictating what happens our schools. We are deeply concerned by Federal mandates to take vaccines, wear masks and most of all dictate that we cannot attend church in emergencies declared by the Federal government. Covid opened a door for Federal power to be used in emergencies to take away individual freedoms and we fear that emergencies will be used in the future against us and our family. We are very concerned Federal regulations imposed by agencies within the federal government that threaten production of our energy and food in Utah. We fear dependence on Federal dollars which allows the Federal government to use our vulnerability to impose their rules and regulations. We pay high prices for gasoline because of Federal policies to reduce production of our own oil.



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Your Name

Liz Swanson

Your City

Lehi

Tell us YOUR story

I was required to get the Covid-19 shot as part of my job. Post vaccine injuries included pancreatic attacks for several weeks, and likely a retinal hemorrhage. I am part of an ongoing study with others who had no reason to expect a hemorrhage but also received the vaccine.



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Your Name

Kristine Wagner

Your City

Washington

Tell us YOUR story

I have been involved in education for over 20 years and have watched as the federal government expanded its presence into and hindered the success of local schools. Since the early days of our republic, we have seen the federal government steadily and unconstitutionally encroach upon the rights of the states. Thomas Jefferson said, "that whensoever the General government assumes undelegated powers, its acts are unauthoritative, void, & of no force." So that begs the question, who decides when the federal government has overstepped its delegated powers? Unfortunately, we are incorrectly taught that it is the Supreme Court who makes that final decision, but that would be like letting the fox guard the henhouse. The federal courts are part of the federal government, so how could we expect them to be impartial? Jefferson taught that, "Where powers are assumed which have not been delegated, a nullification of the act is the rightful remedy: that every State has a natural right in cases not within the compact, (casus non fœderis) to nullify of their own authority all assumptions of power by others within their limits: that without this right, they would be under the dominion, absolute and unlimited, of whosoever might exercise this right of judgment for them." Nullification is not rebellion or anarchy. It isn't secession from the federal government. It is a constitutional method of preserving limited government. Elected officials swore an oath to the Constitution - not the federal government. It is clear that the founders viewed state nullification as the rightful remedy to unconstitutional acts by the federal government. We know that, "The powers delegated... to the federal government are few and defined." Therefore, our state legislature has a responsibility to protect our rights and liberties by standing up to the federal government and nullifying unconstitutional acts including those committed by the Department of Education.



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Your Name

Hillary Jessup

Your City

Park City

Tell us YOUR story

My husband and I moved from Texas to Utah 10 years ago after we retired. I was active with the Texas Republicans and jumped into Utah politics with both feet! I have served as both a Utah State Delegate and Summit County Delegate for eight years, and I am active with the Summit Co GOP. I was born in Southern California and met my husband in graduate school at USC. We moved to College Station in 1971 to teach at Texas A&M University. We have two children and two grandchildren, all living in Park City. I earned my Ph.D. in Educational Psychology and was a K-12 school counselor for six years and a Professional Counselor at Texas A&M Mays Business School for 36 years I am interested in election integrity, border security, and educational reform. I have been locked out twice on "Nextdoor" without justification. I have been banned from a people search application with no explanation. I have been told to read the rules and figure it out for myself.



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Your Name

Stacey Moyle

Your City

Layton

Tell us YOUR story

I was federally employed in 2021 and not yet planning to retire when the mandates to take an experimental gene therapy drug intravenously began. I spent weekends reading the disclosures on each of the three options, (not any enclosures, since there were none) and searching for a valid reason to subject my health to this, and could not find any. I was more fortunate than most others, in that I was able to retire, but, still, it occurred against my will.



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Your Name

Douglas Brunnette

Your City

Kaysville

Tell us YOUR story

The federal government is not kind to seniors. After spending 30 plus years saving for retirement I am disappointed in the amount of taxes I have to pay from my 401k, social security, and pension to the IRS. The federal government is financially bleeding retiree's funds from every source they can. Major federal tax reforms are needed to protect our country's seniors.



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Your Name

Glen Turnbow

Your City

Tooele

Tell us YOUR story

The federal government unrestrained spending has put an enormous burden of debt up me future generations. It isn't just debt, but debt creating new dollars and raging inflation. There are still trillions of new dollars that haven't yet been spent. This is robbing from any savings and income I earn. The federal government has also been restricting access to public land. Only about 10% of land in Utah is privately owned. Over 60% of the land is federally owned. Yet the land is continuously being restricted from people including locals residents from using and managing the land by using it. Government entities have also been targeting individuals citizens based on their politics in connection with corporations. This bypasses the Constitution and the Bill of Rights.



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Your Name

Dawn Bates

Your City

Sandy, Utah

Tell us YOUR story

I have two very close family members who have spent time on the southern border over the past 3 years. One is a Border Patrol Agent and the other an Air Marshall. They were deployed for one month transfers to help ease the burden of Border Patrol agents in California and Texas. The stories they told of death and rape of illegals trying to crossover to the U.S. were heartbreaking. One stood on the U.S. side of the border and watched a young girl be raped. He could do nothing but wait for her to cross over to the U.S. side and then take her for medical care. The other got a phone call from a frantic father in Mexico telling of his 21 year old daughter who was traveling with coyotes. She had diabetes and he was worried. My son found her dead body under a bush where they had left her because she couldn't keep up. Why do we never hear about these events on the news?



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Your Name

Tammy Adair

Your City

Farmington Utah

Tell us YOUR story

My liberty is threatened everyday as the Federal Government is involved in every aspect of my life. This was not the Founders original intent. The Federal Government must be checked to only work within the enumerated powers set out in the Constitution, and allow the people and their State Government to work through issues pertaining to their respective states. We must allow companies to fail and allow the free market to do its job.



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Your Name

James Green

Your City

Heber City

Tell us YOUR story

I am a retired United Airlines pilot and then taught as a tenured Associate Professor in the Aviation Science department at Utah Valley University for 11 years (9 years live & 2 years online. I was even the Department Chairman one year. I had previously lived in Manhattan and was home on 9/11/2001. I watched the World Trade Center towers collapse from the top of my apartment building. Teaching an online class on 9/11/2018 I told my students about my experience and mentioned that it was extreme Muslim terrorists who had perpetrated this horrendous attack and that we need to be careful who we allow into our country. An online student I had never met and lived back east immediately went to our administration plus our school newspaper & the Provo Daily Herald filing a discrimination complaint about me. I was met on campus by the VP of student affairs, was told I was taken off my online class, losing my access to my school email, and that I had to leave the campus immediately! I was so shocked and disgusted by this outrageous action that I resigned on the spot! So, I lost my job over a ridiculous federal policy (Title IV) because of one complaint by someone I had never even met. That I consider to be absurd to the max! I won teaching awards all through my years teaching at UVU, had some of the highest professor reviews, & was even selected as The Outstanding Teacher of the Year for my college one year.



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Your Name

Tonya Christensen

Your City

Kearns, Utah

Tell us YOUR story

The issue of transgender or gender-neutral bathrooms is an issue affecting privacy and security in public schools, universities, community centers and government buildings. The trouble began when President Joe Biden issued an executive order in 2021 redefining "sex" in all federal laws to include sexual orientation and gender identity. One effect was that the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) issued a directive requiring schools to adopt the Biden administration's new definition of "sex" in federal law. It should be noted that HUD illegally deprived the public of notice and an opportunity to comment before issuing this rule change. By prohibiting discrimination on the basis of "gender identity," HUD's directive requires schools to allow male students who identify as female, and vice versa, into the opposite sex's dorms, showers, and bathrooms. This threatens the safety and privacy of all students, particularly women. This change has affected local schools such as the University of Utah. When I recently visited the University of Utah Marriot Library, I used a bathroom there that was gender neutral. Although the individual bathroom stalls were private, people of both genders were roaming about outside the stalls, and this made me uncomfortable. Also, gender-neutral or transgender bathrooms and locker rooms have become a major issue at SLC Community Centers, potentially compromising safety, security and privacy of families and individuals who use the community centers. The Salt Lake County Council voted in December 2023 to table discussion on a proposed ordinance to stipulate community centers have single-occupancy bathrooms and changing rooms for patrons, while designating multiple-occupancy bathrooms and locker rooms be restricted to the gender individuals were born with. Rep Kera Birkeland and Rep. Phil Lyman have introduced bills that address the issue of transgender bathrooms. This is a step in the right direction, but I believe even more needs to be done to protect the privacy and security of people using bathrooms, locker rooms, changing rooms and dorms that have become or could become transgender or gender neutral. I believe Biden's executive order and the resulting federal regulations affecting bathrooms, locker rooms, and related facilities should be overturned.



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Your Name

Tonya Christensen

Your City

Kearns, Utah

Tell us YOUR story

We need to keep in mind the proper balance between state and federal government. The federal government has few and defined responsibilities enumerated in the Constitution. All other powers are reserved for the states. The erosion of Constitutional walls of protection around Utah has occured over decades and by both parties. The federal government is seeking to govern in areas in which it has no Constitution jurisdiction. This results in inefficient, ineffective, and costly government that sometimes curtails the rights of citizens, and has significantly contributed to the netional debt.



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Your Name

Debra Poulsen

Your City

Farmington

Tell us YOUR story

I truly felt personally impacted during the COVID pandemic as I was prohibited to participate in activities that were important to me unless I took the vaccine. Since I would not, I had to resign .



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Your Name

Cindy Whinham

Your City

Roy

Tell us YOUR story

Both my children work for the government. Both were forced to take the Covid vaccine or lose their jobs. Both were very upset and waited until the very last week. My son had a swollen arm with blisters for about a month. My daughter has irregular menses and is fearful she'll never have children now..



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Your Name

Joanne Taylor

Your City

Ephraim City

Tell us YOUR story

I have watched as government has encroached on our liberties for nigh onto 70 years. I could write a book about the effects I perceive and have directly experienced; however, to keep this manageable, I select the obvious infringements created during the supposed CoVid epidemic. During that period of time it was difficult to continue with a semblance of normality, being unable to freely connect with family and friends. The restrictions placed on citizens when using any restaurant or while shopping made every activity awkward. The outcome of these government interventions was entirely negative as far as I can see, and completely unnecessary. Mostly, any confidence I once had in government was largely eroded by the restrictions that far exceeded anything necessary. Our leaders were made to appear as weak and ineffective.



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Your Name

B.

Your City

Clearfield

Tell us YOUR story

Hello Jen, I'd like to remain mostly anonymous with this because it pertains to my health and my job. Thanks for doing this. When covid hit a lot of things seemed to wake me up. I knew government was too big and that we had a lot of problems before covid but it was crystal clear then and even more clear now, they are way too big and now I believe we are treated as if we are servants to them and not that the government is there to serve us as citizens, which is how it's supposed to work. It seems as though the government has woven it's way into every aspect of our lives. This was never more personal than when the covid vaccine was released. I was hesitant, I wanted to wait longer to see how it was working before I thought about getting it. I pushed it off months and months and was fine. I'm young and healthy and it just didn't make sense to me at the time. But when Biden's administration started threatening government contractors that they had to get it I was forced to in order to keep my job that I'd had for 16 years. I was a hard worker and dedicated employee, yet I was gonna be let go if I didn't get this vaccine that was still in an experimental phase. And at last minute before the administration ended up backing off I got the vaccine (2 sets of Pfizer). I honestly felt so violated at each of those appointments because I was not comfortable with it, but I had to keep my job so we could continue to pay my bills and provide for my three kids. Then just a month later, I started having horrible menstrual side effects which I still deal with today. This event prompted me to go back to college and get my bachelor's degree because I don't ever want to be put into that position again. I had been at my job so long that I was making good money, but if I left that job I knew I wouldn't be able to find something making comparable money because I had no degree. I don't ever want to be out into that position again. It really changed my life and honestly now I have a lot of doubt in our government, I have a hard time trusting the medical industry as a whole, and I definitely can't take the media seriously, because of what I've seen these last years and what I experienced personally. Thanks B. Davis County



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Your Name

Carrie Bartholemew

Your City

Payson, Ut

Tell us YOUR story

I am a conservative bi-racial woman.. I resent with every fiber of my being CRT/DEI's assertion that, because of the color of my skin, I am a victim incapable of creating my own destiny through my choices and accepting accountability for those choices, my own hard work, and my reliance on the Constitution to protect and insure my inalienable rights as enumerated in the Bill of Rights. The Department of Education, the majority of our Utah State Boand of Education and many other Boards, Agencies, Universities, School Districts etc. want us to believe the CRT and DEI are about unity and kindness brought about by programs and curricula based on Equity, Diversity, Inclusion, and Belonging., THESE WORDS DO NOT MEAN WHAT THEY USE TO MEAN. Here is what they really mean as demonstrated through their actual use. I was at a BLM demonstration in Seatle simply standing and holding a sign which said, "I am not a victim." I was physically asaulted, thrown to the ground, and my signs broken to pieces. THAT IS CRT IN PRACTICE.. I was asked to speak at Weber State University on my experiences growing up (from the age of eight) in a string of violent and abusive foster care families. Because my presentation was not going to support the approved socialist narrative of victimhood, I had to have a police escort to the lecture hall where dozens of students holding rear facing signs ringed the room with their backs to me but making so much noise I could not effectively exercise my right to free speech. THIS IS WHAT CRT LOOKS LIKE IN PRACTICE. You are included only if you support the NARRATIVE and excluded if you do not. No diversity of thought is allowed even to be discussed. Equity actually means we are divided into two discreet categories...the oppressed and the oppressors. I have numerous markers of victimhood e.g.Race, History of Abuse, Depression/Anxiety Disorder and others which give me a place at the victims table. That I continue to believe, along with Martin Luther King, that I should be judged on the content of my character and not the color of my skin infuriates the proponents of CRT/DEI/SEL/Queer Theory. I could give many additional examples of CRT in practice but space does not permit. Please protect our Constitutional Rights from attack by these vile ideologies.



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Your Name

Becky Olson

Your City

American Fork

Tell us YOUR story

About 3 and a half years ago my granddaughter who was in 4th grade at the time was in the girl's bathroom at school. A "transitioning" boy in her class was being cheered and egged on and entered the girl's bathroom. My granddaughter was so shocked and upset that she immediately went to the office and crying called her mother to come pick her up. She was so upset she couldn't talk about what had happened and has not wanted to return to school since.



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Your Name

Lara Christensen

Your City

Orem, Utah

Tell us YOUR story

My concern is how because of the Diversity, Equity and Inclusion federal program, we are getting people in professions such as doctors and airline pilots and other professions who are not there based on their Merit and hard work but are chosen thru the eyes of this Diversity, Equity and Inclusion where the best people are not chosen. Who wants mediocrity in these professions that affect our life !!! Also, my family member cannot get into many Medical schools because he is a white Male with high scholastic scores so now has to keep applying and hopefully is accepted somewhere.



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Your Name

Steve Swanson

Your City

Lehi

Tell us YOUR story

A new Federal law called the Corporate Transparency Act (CPA) went into effect January 2024. It is an anti-money laundering act and part of the NDAA. This new law will cost my two small businesses \$1000 in attorney fees to meet filing requirements. It requires extensive personal information about the owners of a business that becomes part of a federal data base. Penalty for not filing is \$500 per day and imprisonment for up to two years.



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Your Name

Laurene Starkey

Your City

Kaysville, Utah

Tell us YOUR story

Pressure from the federal government inviting "walkable cities" and multilevel homes affected us personally in 2022, when our neighborhood community garden was purchased. Entrepreneurs wanted to rezone the area to R-M (multi use zone), which is prevalent in our city's current rezones. Close by, neighbors in a historic district are looking "personal billboard" bright lights at a new carwash, with federal push of development in our city recently voted in a national poll as "a most desirable little city." Protecting the ambiance of such a "hometown feel" is increasingly challenging as our city council members work to secure "federal funding" for roads tied to meeting state guidelines to choose methods of promoting "affordable housing," (responding to federal pressure) while preservation of lifestyle and housing of present resident families remains at substantial risk.



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Your Name

Bonnie M Crawford

Your City

Hurricane

Tell us YOUR story

I was not a victim of mandated Covid shots, but I know people who were. Being on a fixed income, inflation has greatly impacted my budget. Natural gas is affordable, environmentally clean, convenient and efficient. From what I heard from a friend who lives in California, the cost of electricity has increased substantially. Are we headed in that direction? I am concerned about the federal government wanting to confiscate multi-use lands in Utah through the natural asset companies. Everyone pays a price for government overreach.



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Your Name

Francie Braithwaite

Your City

Kaysville

Tell us YOUR story

3 of my adult family members were given covid "vaccine" mandates by their employers based on FDA "recommendations." Against their better judgement they complied, getting the covid shots to keep in good standing with and to not lose their jobs. It's easy now for the Fauci and others to claim they didn't "mandate" the covid shot. However, the federal (and world) government agencies (FDA, WHO, etc.) were the entities the businesses relied upon in making their mandates. And yes, the Federal Government itself had a mandate for its employees and for military; we know this first hand. How they treated military members was outright wrong. My doctor of 20+ years shamed me for deciding against the covid shot. Governor Cox, whom I casted one (and it will be only one) vote for, shamed many of us verbally during the covid months, with his condescending rhetoric. Hindsight being 20/20, he and so many in the government and media, were proven to be ill-advised. The common rhetoric was divisive and was not becoming good leaders.



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Your Name

Lonnie Crockett

Your City

Huntsville

Tell us YOUR story

Where to start, that is the question. The most recent and most egregious violation of my personal Civil Liberties was during the plandemic, when the federal government stood to be the ultimate guardians of our health and welbeing, denying us freedom to choose. Forcing family members to be vaccinated or lose their livelyhoods. The restrictions on travel and virtually forcing others and me to shut our mouths and buck up and follow the instructions of our "dear leader." This is probably the worst example of civil liberties being violated by our own government such as freedom to move about, attend church, speak freely or to even push back against tyrannical dictates would get one put in jail. What part of "....shall not be infringed" is not understood?



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Your Name

James Beer

Your City

Murray

Tell us YOUR story

In brief, our liberties are being trampled upon by government. Even at the State level, there are advocates of Central Bank Digital Currency, Smart Cities, among other things that government has no right being involved in. Government has no right to decide what our children should be taught in schools. This government overreach is affecting everything we do on a societal level and it is time to bring this tyranny to an end.



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Your Name

Donna Deifel Smith

Your City

Provo

Tell us YOUR story

How EACH of us, as citizens of this beautiful country, are impacted by the BLOATED federal government, is DISGRACEFUL! The INCREDIBLE debt Biden has laid on us, not to mention on our children and grandchildren. All the burden of unvetted, illegal people (who shame the many LEGAL immigrants) are handed a free pass. Where is THAT for the average American taxpayer? I am blessed to have enough and a little to spare but many friends and contacts are not. Therefore I am trying to share the talents and skills I have and will do whatever possible to change the status quo. I'm sure Biden doesn't understand the Constitution or more importantly, love its principles; in his position as president, he is thus disloyal to our country.



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Your Name

Richard Fuller

Your City

Mona

Tell us YOUR story

There are several areas of my life that have been impacted by the overreach of our federal government. The most significant was nearly losing the love of my life to COVID. During the the pandemic my other half became very sick with COVID. Had she followed the protocols that were mandated by our government and the CDC I am sure she would have died on a ventilator. Our federal government made it nearly impossible to get the true information about effective treatment, obtain effective therapeutics, tied the hands of well-meaning health care professionals, and outright lied about the important issues of the crisis. Fortunately, we were diligent on our own behalf and found the information and treatments that saved her life despite it being called "misinformation" by our government.



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Your Name

Todd Adair

Your City

Farmington

Tell us YOUR story

Our liberty was compromised during the covid pandemic when we were not able to worship in our churches. Our faces were hidden behind masks that had no scientific proof of keeping from catching the virus. Our grandchildren were not able to attend their classes without masks even when they were not the spreaders of the disease. The government over reached its authority telling what businesses were essential while not allowing the people to decide what was essential to them, hurting many small businesses.