

## On Politics

Methinks that if we truly lived in a free country, politics would not dominate public discourse. The fact that it does proves that America is nowhere near the classification of "free country". Do people argue over whether theft, assault, rape, kidnapping, murder, *et cetera*, you know, actual property rights violations, should be legal or not? No, they are arguing over what privileges and economic protections and entitlements they should have at the expense of others. The creation and maintenance of these sorts of laws violate property rights. No country is free where property rights, starting with self-ownership, are not secure from predation. And politics does not dominate public discourse when it is limited to securing property rights, because doing so is boring and noncontroversial. Pundits and plebeians arguing politics is not symptomatic of a free country. Quite the opposite. And that's today's two cents.