

On Rights II

A graphic I recently saw explained “how rights work”. It described how rights are secured as a matter of consensus by members in society. It made some really good points about a complex idea. While there is the logically-defensible consideration of rights, there is also the matter of popular acceptance. Both are important perspectives on the concept of rights. The former is necessary in altering the latter, while the latter is necessary in determining the practical viability of the former. Neither is likely to conform exactly with the other in any given society. These things evolve, forward or backward, over time. All we can do individually is work through the logic, and live according to our conscience, which is likewise complex. And that’s today’s two cents.

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