

On the State

The state claims a monopoly on the provision of law and order, of government. Monopolizing the provision of law and order gives one the pseudo-authority to claim what is or is not legal, and the pseudo-authority of enforcement. Theoretically, any conceivable action we could take can be made illegal by the state. Therefore, any conceivable action we do take is only allowed because the state permits it. In other words, the state's monopoly on the provision of law and order is actually a monopoly on the provision of everything, which necessarily includes goods, services, relationships, feelings, happiness, *et cetera*. The state is not just an illegitimate monopolizer of government, it is also an illegitimate master of the very life, liberty, and property of its subjects; a master I *wholeheartedly* reject. And that's today's two cents.

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