

Rentseeking

Nobody asked but ...

The first people to seek state assistance are those who have acquired more property than they can handle. So they go rentseeking. The rest of us are stuck with both the state and the tab. The next to seek state assistance are those who don't even want to manage their self-ownership. So they go rentseeking. The rest of us are stuck with both the state and the tab. I may have the order mixed up, depending on your viewpoint. I would not argue with you. The bottom line is that states are built by those unsatisfied with the potential for freedom to see to the natural allocation of resources. Those of us who would be satisfied with freedom, letting the chips of property fall where they may, are coercively corralled to feed the beast.

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