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Slate: Goldstein on Bundy Ranch

Professor Jared Goldstein argues in Slate that the Bundy Ranch confrontation is part of a recurrent theme in U.S. history ... but one that's getting more dangerous.

From SLATE: "[Before Bundy Ranch](#)" by Jared A. Goldstein



April 23 2014: Constitutional vigilantism of the type on display at Bundy Ranch last week has been a recurrent feature on the margins of American political life. What is new — and dangerous — is that it has suddenly moved from the margins to the mainstream. And it comes with guns. ...

Emboldened by their apparent victory at Bundy Ranch, the new constitutional vigilantes are asking where they can take the fight next. Cliven Bundy declared it a victory for “We the People.” But that can only be true if we want the Constitution to mean whatever an armed mob says it means.

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