

Shariah Law vs. the Constitution

Article VI: The Constitution is the supreme law of the land

- **Constitution: Article VI:** "This Constitution, and the Laws of the United States which shall be made in Pursuance thereof; and all Treaties made, or which shall be made, under the Authority of the United States, shall be the supreme Law of the Land; and the Judges in every State shall be bound thereby"
- **Shariah:** "The source of legal rulings for all acts of those who are morally responsible is Allah." (al.1, Umdat al-salik or The Reliance of the Traveller, commonly accepted work of Shariah jurisprudence); "There is only one law which ought to be followed, and that is the Sharia." (Seyed Qutb); "Islam wishes to destroy all states and governments anywhere on the face of the earth which are opposed to the ideology and program of Islam regardless of the country or the nation which rules it. The purpose of Islam is to set up a State on the basis of its own ideology and program." (Seyed Abul A'ala Maududi)

First Amendment: Freedom of religion

- **Constitution: First Amendment:** "Congress shall make no law respecting an establishment of religion, or prohibiting the free exercise thereof"
- **Shariah:** "Those who reject Islam must be killed. If they turn back (from Islam), take hold of them and kill them wherever you find them." Quran 4:89 ; "Whoever changed his [Islamic] religion, then kill him" Sahih al-Bukhari, 9:84:57. In historic and modern Shariah states, Shariah law enforces *dhimmi* status (second-class citizen, apartheid-type laws) on non-Muslims, prohibiting them from observing their religious practices publicly, building or repairing churches, raising their voices during prayer or ringing church bells; if dhimmi laws are violated in the Shariah State, penalties are those used for prisoners of war: death, slavery, release or ransom.(o9.14, o11.0-o11.11, Umdat al-salik).

First Amendment: Freedom of speech

- **Constitution: First Amendment:** Congress shall not abridge "the freedom of speech."
- **Shariah:** Speech defaming Islam or Muhammad is considered "blasphemy" and is punishable by death or imprisonment.

First Amendment: Freedom to dissent

- **Constitution: First Amendment:** "Congress cannot take away the right of the people "to petition the Government for a redress of grievances."