

The Constitution of the United States of America



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219 years ago you were given the right to practice the religion of your choice. 219 years ago you were given the right to say what you wanted without persecution. 219 years ago it was written that your house and property were secure from unreasonable search and seizure. 219 years ago you were given the right to a public trial. 219 years ago, fifty-five men you will never know sat in a sweltering room and they fought and argued for you. 219 years ago you were given your rights as a citizen of the United States. This fall, as we return again to the ballot box to decide the course of our country's congressional and state leadership, every voter must find their way back to that room in Philadelphia. Welcome Books is proud to provide a map. The Constitution of The United States of America, inscribed and illustrated by the master calligrapher Sam Fink, brings to life the issues underlying the triumphs of this abiding document. Originally published in pen and ink for Random House in 1987, Sam has, at the request of Welcome Books, gone back to the original black-and-white art and painted it entirely, creating a full-color masterpiece. Each amendment, each article, each word so thoughtfully placed in the Constitution has been given Sam's profound touch. With a powerful intelligence and a wonderful sense of humor, he has provided us with an entry point, allowing us to read this essential document better, more clearly. Welcome Books is honored to present a full-color limited edition of Sam's startling work as well

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