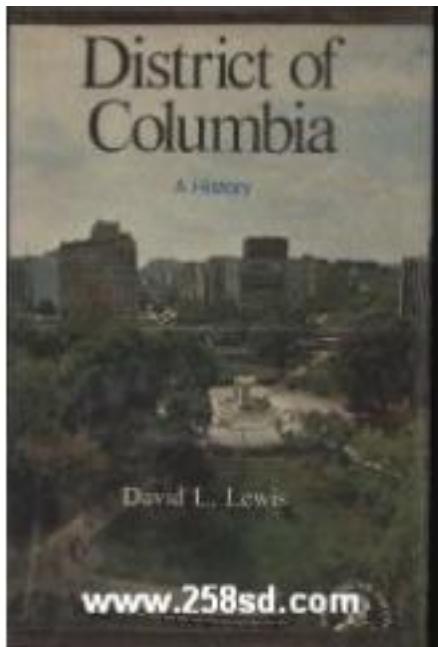


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IN 1807 former President John Adams argued that a complete history of the American Revolution could not be written until the history of change in each state was known because the principles of the Revolution were as various as the states that went through it. Two hundred years later, after the Declaration of Independence, the American nation has spread over a continent and beyond. The states have grown in number from thirteen to fifty. And democratic principles have been interpreted differently in every one of them. We therefore invite you to consider that the history of your state may have more to do with the bicentennial review of the American Revolution than does the story of Bunker Hill or Valley Forge. The Revolution has continued as Americans extended liberty and democracy.

over a vast territory. John Adams
was right: the states are part of that story^{1/4} and the story is in-
complete without an account of their diversity.
 The Declaration of Independence stressed life^{1/4} liberty^{1/4} and
the pursuit of happiness: accordingly^{1/4} it shattered the notion of
holding new territories in the subordinate status of colonies. The
Northwest Ordinance of 1787 set forth a procedure for new
states to enter the Union on an equal footing with the old. The
Federal Constitution shortly confirmed this novel means of
building a nation out of equal states. The step-by-step process
through which territories have achieved self-government and national representation is among the most important of the Founding Fathers' legacies.
 The method of state-making reconciled the ancient conflict
between liberty and empire^{1/4} resulting in what Thomas Jefferson
called an empire for liberty. The system has worked and remains unaltered^{1/4} despite enormous changes that have taken

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