

How the Supreme Court Is Weaponizing Religious Freedom



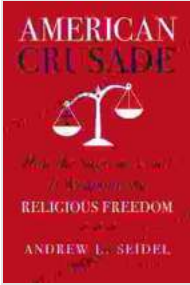
In recent years, the Supreme Court has issued a series of decisions that have expanded the scope of religious freedom under the First Amendment. These decisions have allowed religious individuals and institutions to discriminate against others based on their sexual orientation, gender identity, and other characteristics.

American Crusade: How the Supreme Court Is Weaponizing Religious Freedom by Andrew L Seidel

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Tyler's book is a timely and important warning about the dangers of the Court's religious freedom jurisprudence. She shows how the Court's decisions are eroding the separation of church and state and creating a society in which religious beliefs are used to justify discrimination and oppression.

The Supreme Court's Religious Freedom Decisions

The Supreme Court's recent religious freedom decisions have been controversial. In *Burwell v. Hobby Lobby* (2014), the Court ruled that closely held corporations have a religious right to refuse to provide contraception coverage to their employees. In *Masterpiece Cakeshop v. Colorado Civil Rights Commission* (2018), the Court ruled that a baker could not be compelled to create a wedding cake for a same-sex couple based on his religious beliefs.

These decisions have been praised by religious conservatives, who argue that they protect the free exercise of religion. However, critics argue that the decisions allow religious individuals and institutions to discriminate against others based on their beliefs. They also argue that the decisions erode the separation of church and state.

The Dangers of the Court's Religious Freedom Jurisprudence

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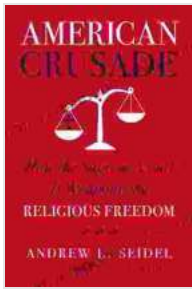
For example, the Court's decision in *Burwell v. Hobby Lobby* has been used to justify laws that allow employers to discriminate against employees based on their religious beliefs. The Court's decision in *Masterpiece Cakeshop v. Colorado Civil Rights Commission* has been used to justify laws that allow businesses to refuse service to LGBTQ people based on their religious beliefs.

Tyler argues that these decisions are creating a society in which religious beliefs are used to justify discrimination and oppression. She warns that the Court's religious freedom jurisprudence is a threat to the separation of church and state and to the rights of all Americans.

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Tyler's book is a must-read for anyone who is concerned about the future of religious freedom in the United States.



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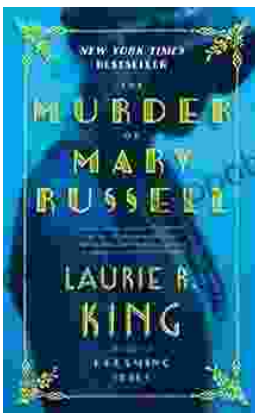
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