



The Rule of Law

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THE RULE OF LAW

- A sandwich
- Stoplight
- A letter



The beginning of The Rule of Law

Magna Carta

- King John of England
- Year 1215
- The first to impose The Rule of Law
- No man could be above the law
- Jyske Lov (DK) – the law of the Jutes, 1241

Source:

<https://exhibits.library.utoronto.ca/exhibits/show/canadianlawandidentity/cdnvaluesintro/valuesmagnacarta>



The Four Universal Principles

The rule of law is a durable system of laws, institutions, norms, and community commitment



1. Accountability

The government as well as private actors are accountable under the law.



2. Just Laws

The laws are clear, publicized, and stable; are applied evenly; and protect fundamental rights, including the security of persons and contract, property, and human rights.



3. Open government

The processes by which the laws are enacted, administered, and enforced are accessible, fair, and efficient.



4. Accessible Justice

Justice is delivered timely by competent, ethical, and independent representatives and neutrals who are accessible, have adequate resources, and reflect the makeup of the communities they serve.

<https://worldjusticeproject.org/about-us/overview/what-rule-law>



James Stoner, Louisiana University Professor

CLASSIC LIBERALISM – a look upon THE RULE OF LAW

“That means there is a place for law, but the law is now rules which allow each of us to live out our own lives and pursue the good, pursue happiness... as we understand it.”

This type of focus places the power of choice back on the individual, that you know what’s good for yourself better than anyone else could decide for you.

Source:

<https://theihs.org/blog/what-is-the-rule-of-law-with-james-stoner/>



An example of classical liberalism

....where it has gone tooooooo far....

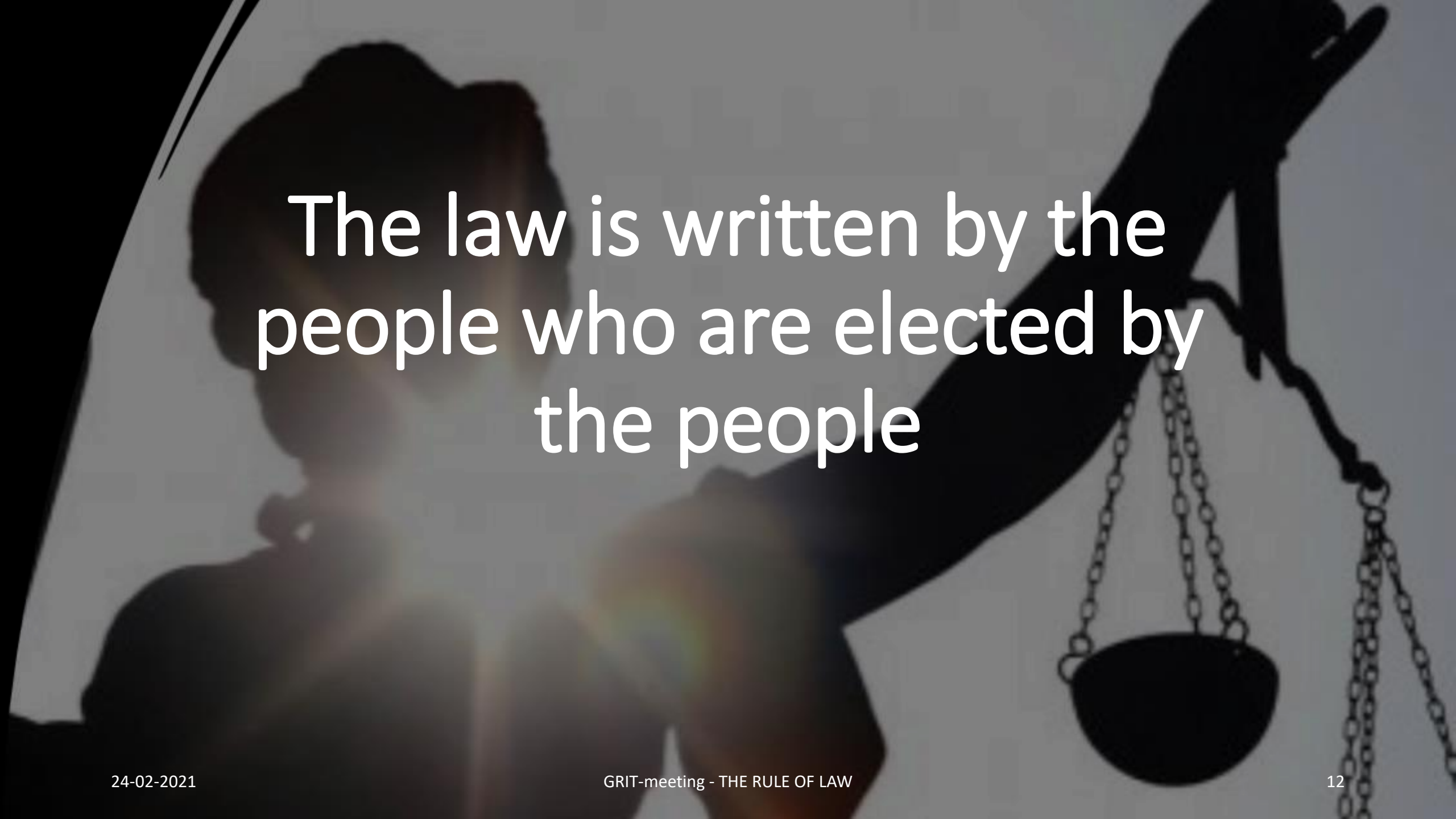


Barack Obama president of the USA 2009-2017

“One of the challenges of the democratic government is making sure that even in the midst of emergencies and passions, we make sure that **THE RULE OF LAW** and the basic precepts of justice and liberty prevail.”

Source:
https://www.azquotes.com/author/11023-Barack_Obama/tag/rule-of-law



The background features a dark silhouette of a person's head and shoulders on the left, and a large silhouette of a hand holding a scale of justice on the right. The scale has a circular weight hanging from a chain. The overall image is in grayscale with a dark, moody atmosphere.

The law is written by the
people who are elected by
the people