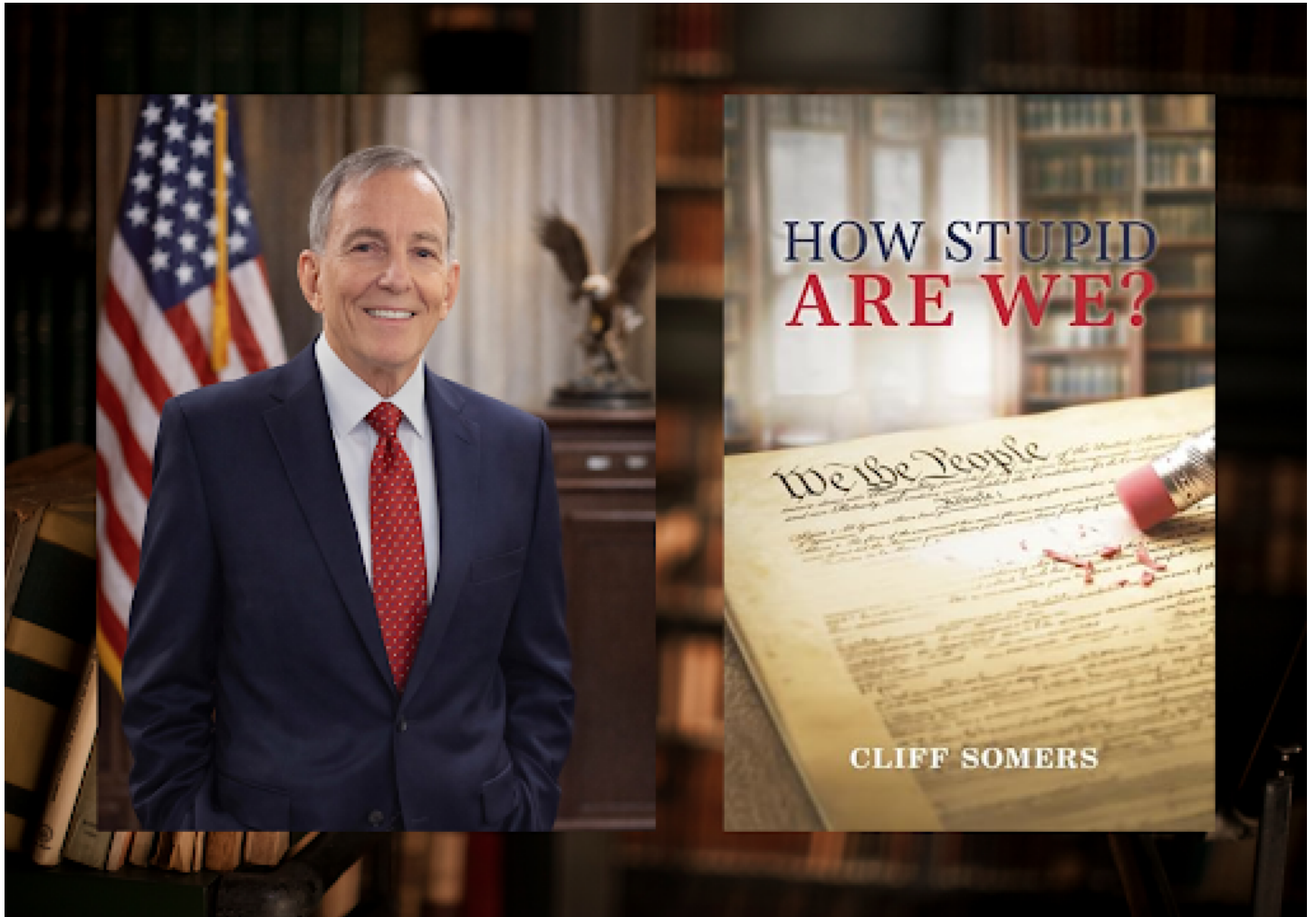


Clifford Somers Releases New Political Commentary Book "How Stupid Are We?" — A Warning About Democracy and Power

The new nonfiction book examines how concentrated wealth, political influence, and public complacency may be reshaping American democracy.



Wilmington, Delaware Jul 7, 2026 (IssueWire.com) - Author Clifford Somers announces the release of *How Stupid Are We?*, a nonfiction political commentary that explores the social, economic, and political forces the author believes have contributed to growing inequality and democratic decline in the United States. Drawing on historical research, legal analysis, public records, and extensive factual citations, the book investigates how wealth and power have increasingly influenced public policy and political institutions. As Americans continue to debate issues such as election integrity, economic fairness, government accountability, and environmental policy, Somers offers a detailed examination of the forces he argues have shaped the nation's current trajectory.

In *How Stupid Are We?*, Somers contends that many of today's political and economic challenges stem from decades-long efforts by wealthy interests to influence public opinion, elections, education, and government policy. The book examines topics including campaign finance, corporate lobbying, economic inequality, environmental regulation, taxation, public welfare programs, and the growing

influence of libertarian political philosophy. Through extensive discussion of historical events, policy debates, and economic trends, Somers argues that democratic institutions can be weakened when concentrated wealth gains disproportionate influence over public decision-making. The book challenges readers to consider how misinformation, political polarization, and declining civic engagement may affect the future of representative government. Written for readers interested in politics, public policy, history, economics, and civic affairs, the work seeks to encourage critical thinking about the relationship between power and democracy.

A theme reflected throughout the book is captured by a quotation from political philosopher Isaiah Berlin: "*Total liberty for wolves is death to the lambs.*" Somers uses this idea as a framework for examining the balance between individual freedom, corporate power, and the public good. The book argues that effective democratic government requires institutions capable of protecting citizens from concentrated economic and political power while preserving individual rights and freedoms. Through documented examples and detailed analysis, Somers invites readers to evaluate whether existing systems continue to serve those purposes.

Clifford Somers is a Florida-based author whose distinguished career has included service with the U.S. Army Special Forces in Vietnam, work as an Army JAG officer and military judge, and more than four decades as a board-certified civil trial lawyer and certified mediator. A graduate of the University of Florida with degrees in English and law, he brings extensive legal, military, and public service experience to his writing. After a long legal career, Somers turned his attention to nonfiction and poetry, drawing on decades of firsthand experience observing institutions, government systems, and public policy. His writing reflects a continuing interest in constitutional governance, civic responsibility, and the role citizens play in preserving democratic institutions.

How Stupid Are We? is now available through [Amazon](#). Readers interested in political analysis, economic policy, and the future of American democracy can learn more and purchase the book through its Amazon listing.

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