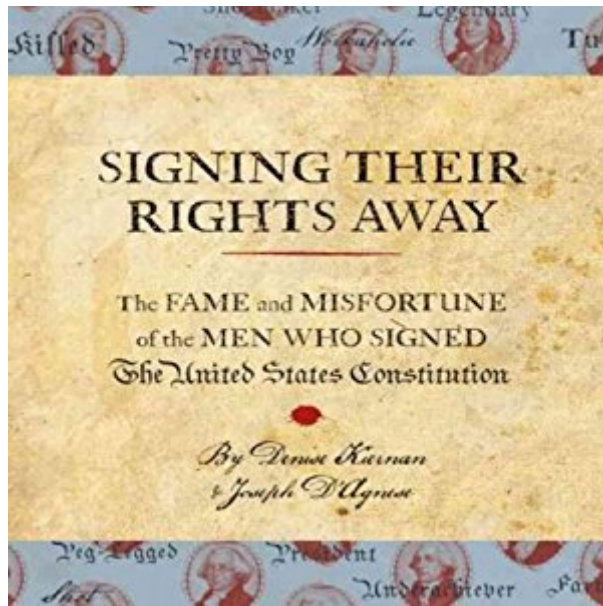


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Customer Reviews

This and Kiernan's other volume "*Signing Their Lives Away*" ought to be required reading in our schools!! Very nice collections of mini-biographies of the men who debated and signed our Declaration of Independence and Constitution. The books demonstrate the true humanity of these men with all the genius and frailty that the term human implies! This nation and its government are a miracle, and it is a true wonder that these mere men came together so providentially to create them!! These books tell the true story. Good reads, and you will learn a lot of fun things to know!!

Very interesting! Short portraits of all the signers of the Constitution and little blurbs about the ones who went home without signing. Some bizarre stories and interesting trivia, all written in a readable and somewhat humorous style.

This book and it's companion on the Declaration of Independence gives an interesting , brief glimpse into the lives of frequently ordinary men, many with the same foibles as today, who stood courageously for this new idea, and reminds us of the importance of civic duty and the fragility of freedom, all with a few sprinkles of humor.

This Christmas, instead of Mr. Khan's inspiration of pocket Constitutions. I gave the kids and grandkids this book. Well-written bios of the the signers, touching on issues we still struggle with today, plus a full copy of the Constitution. Fits all sizes!

I purchased Signing Their Lives Away, about the signers of the Declaration of Independence, several years ago. This is an excellent companion book to that one, full of interesting facts. I recommend both books, available on . You can read them straight through, from start to finish, or use them as a handy reference.

Love it, thank you for this book, it like short history of each person!! Again Thank you !!

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