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Resist Being Labeled Antifederalists

Definitions

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DEFINITIONS!

A FEDERALIST is a Friend to a Federal Government—An ANTI-FEDERALIST is an Enemy to a Confederation.—Therefore, the Friends to the New Plan of CONSOLIDATION, are Anti-Federal, and its Opposers are firm, Federal Patriots.

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