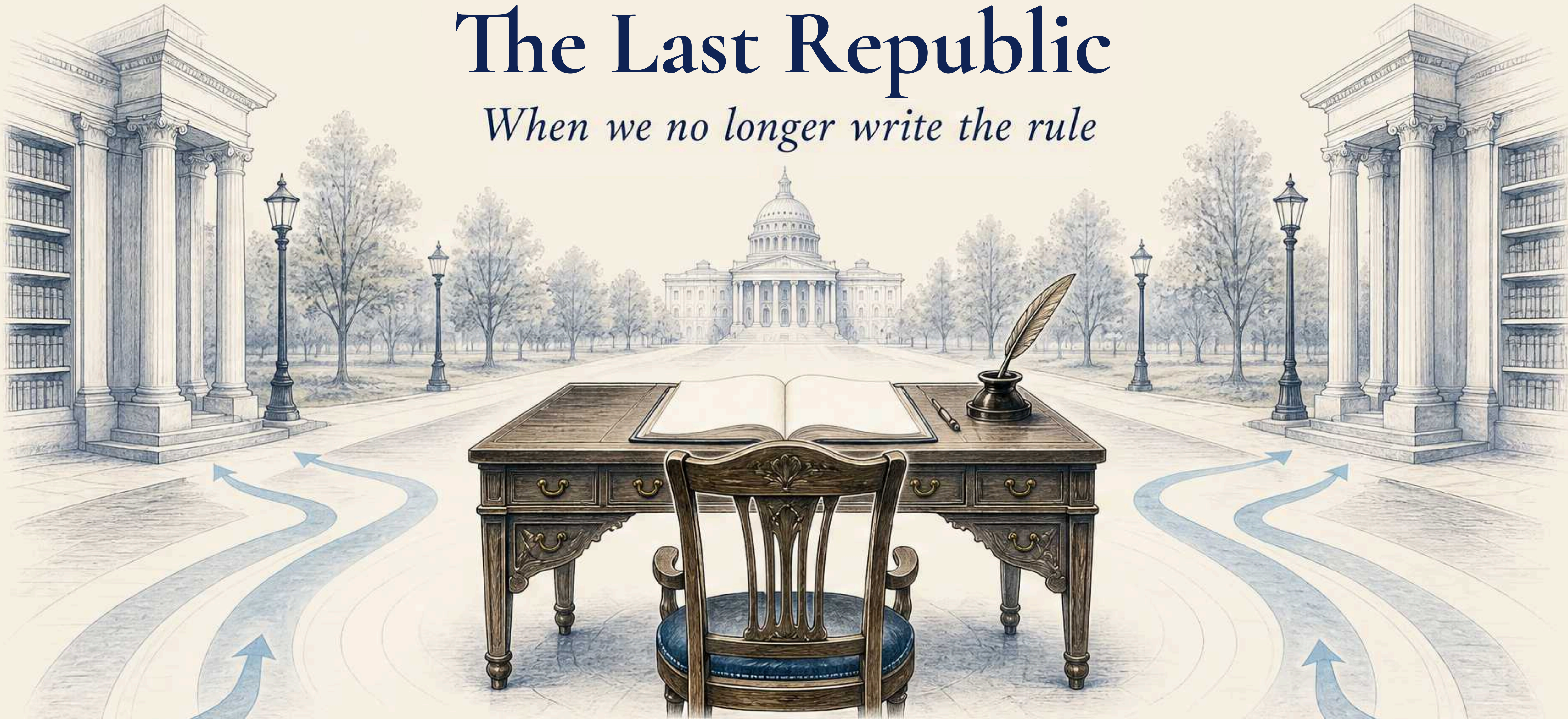


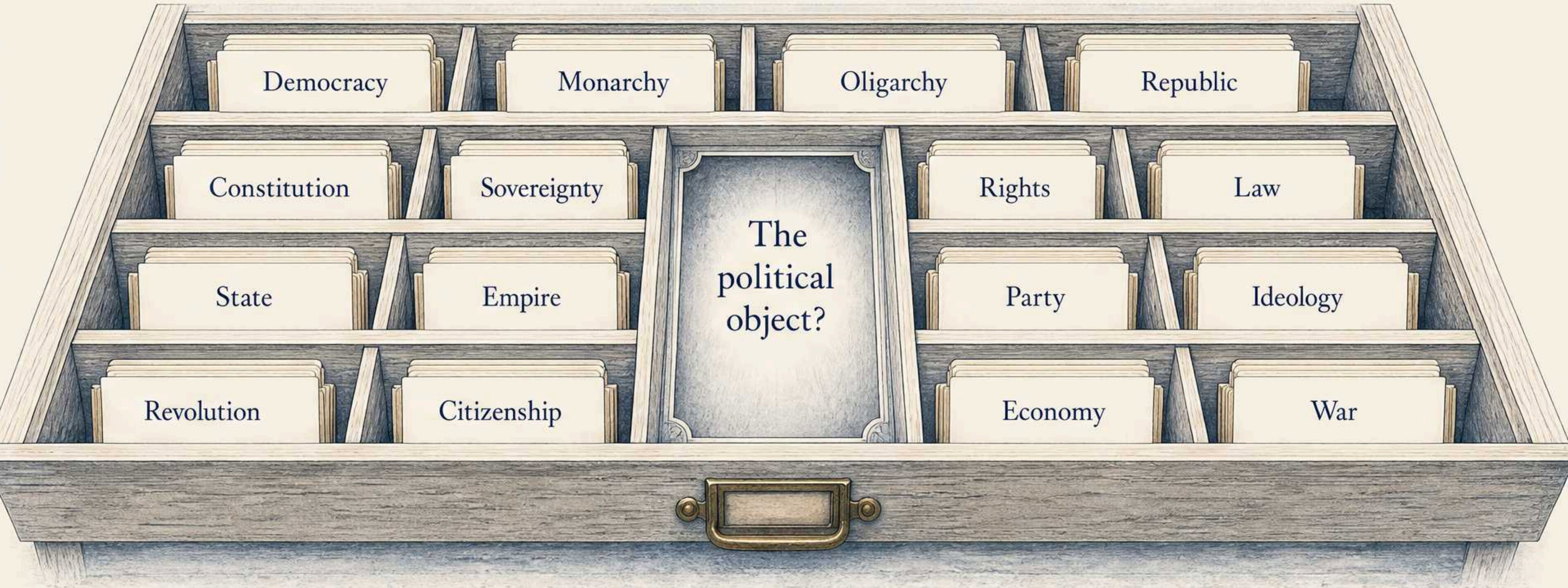
The Last Republic

When we no longer write the rule



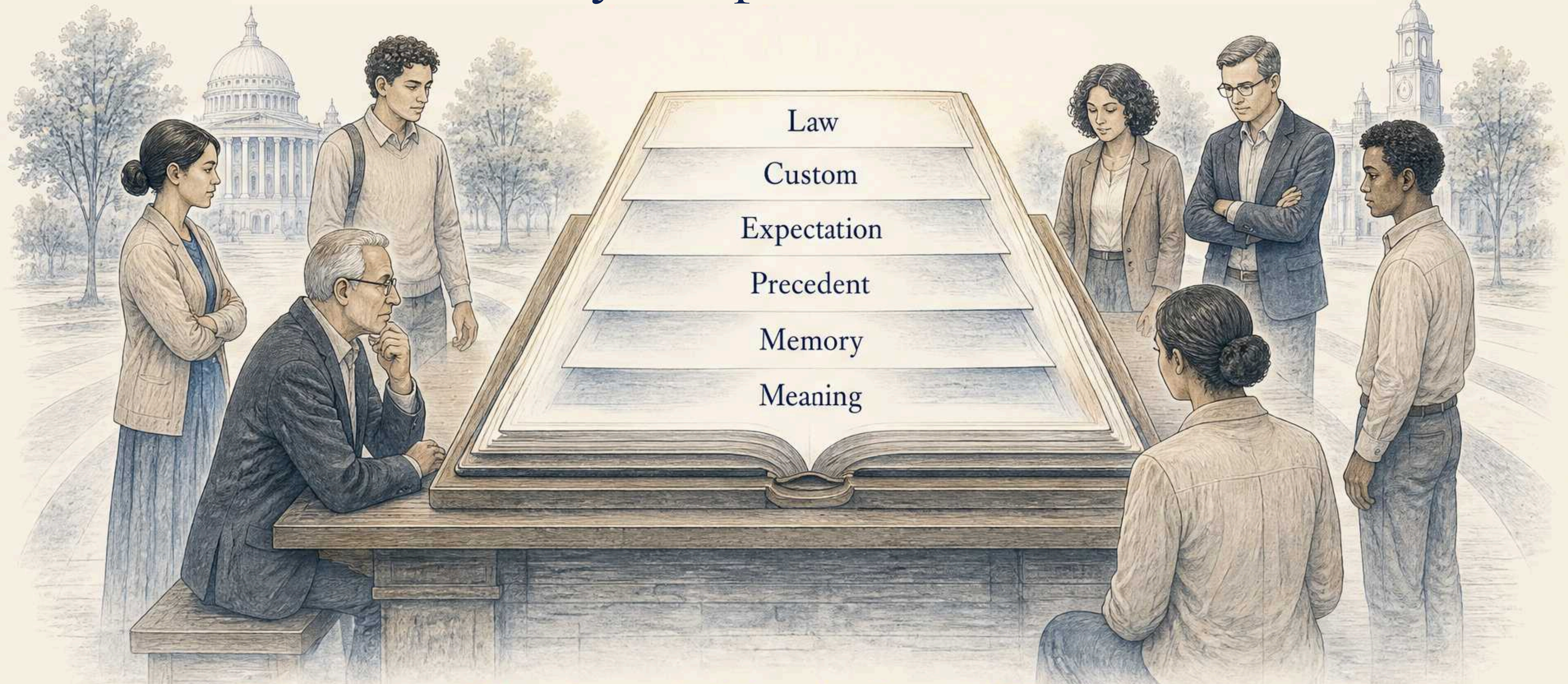
The question is not whether intelligence can govern well.
It is whether the rule remains ours to write.

Politics Has Been Taught As A Catalogue



We inherited names for political forms before deriving the object they share.

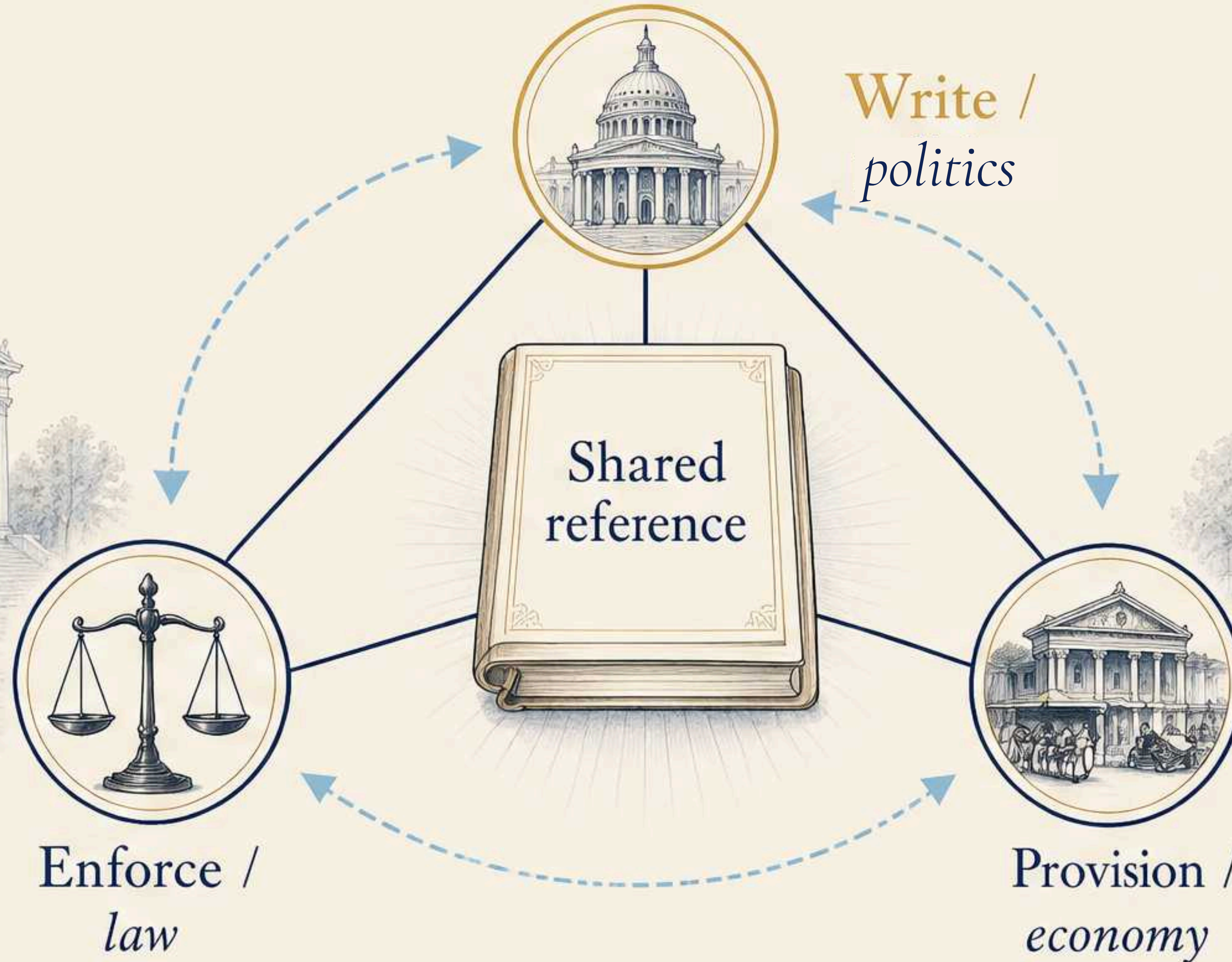
A Community Keeps A Shared Reference



What counts. What is owed. What is allowed. What can be expected.

Three Operations On The Reference

Politics contests authorship of the reference.



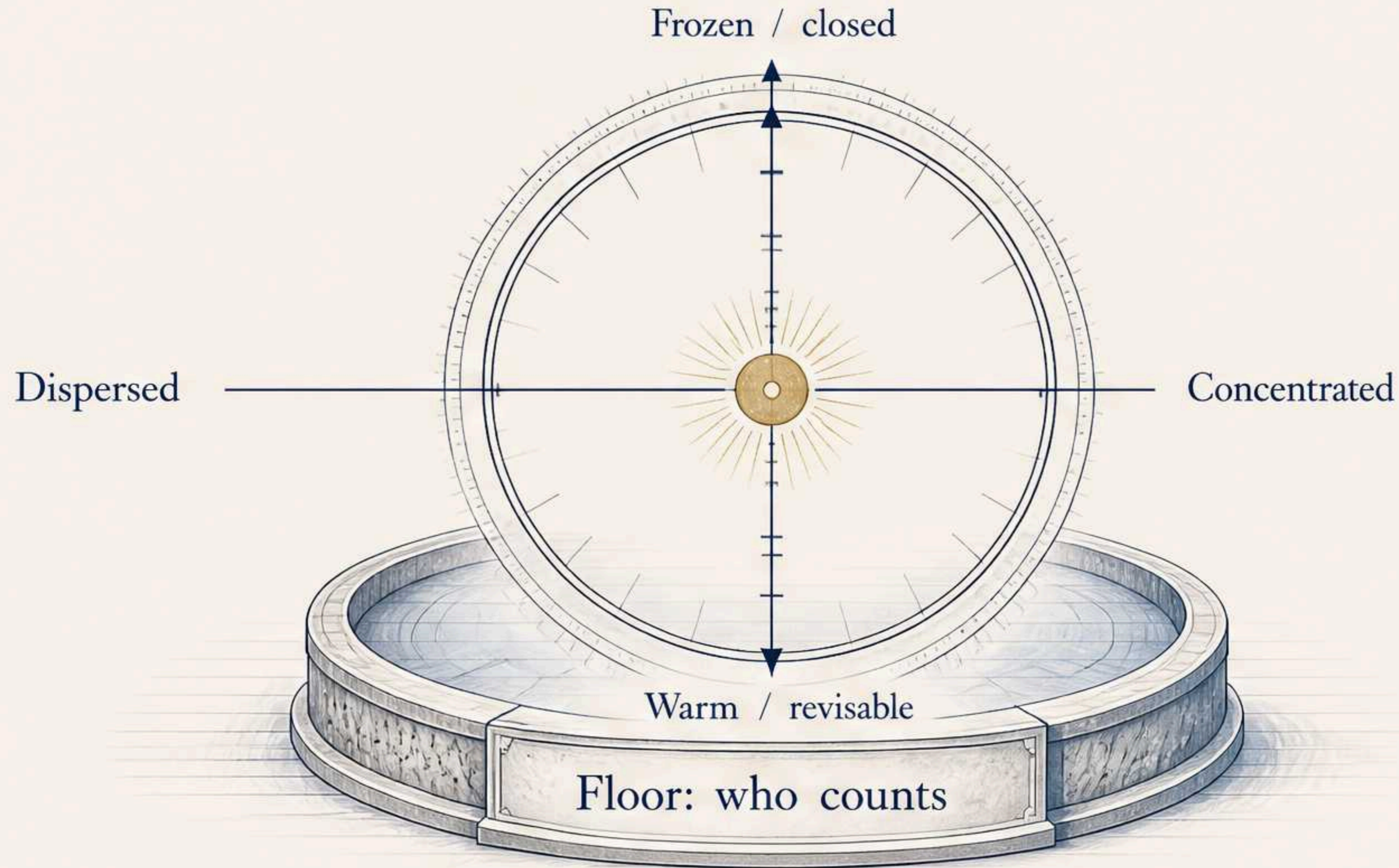
Politics Is The Contest Over The Writing Seat



Politics is the contest over the seat that writes the shared reference.

Author • revise • preserve • replace • succession

The Seat Has Coordinates



Concentration

Dispersed — concentrated

Temperature

Warm / revisable — frozen / closed

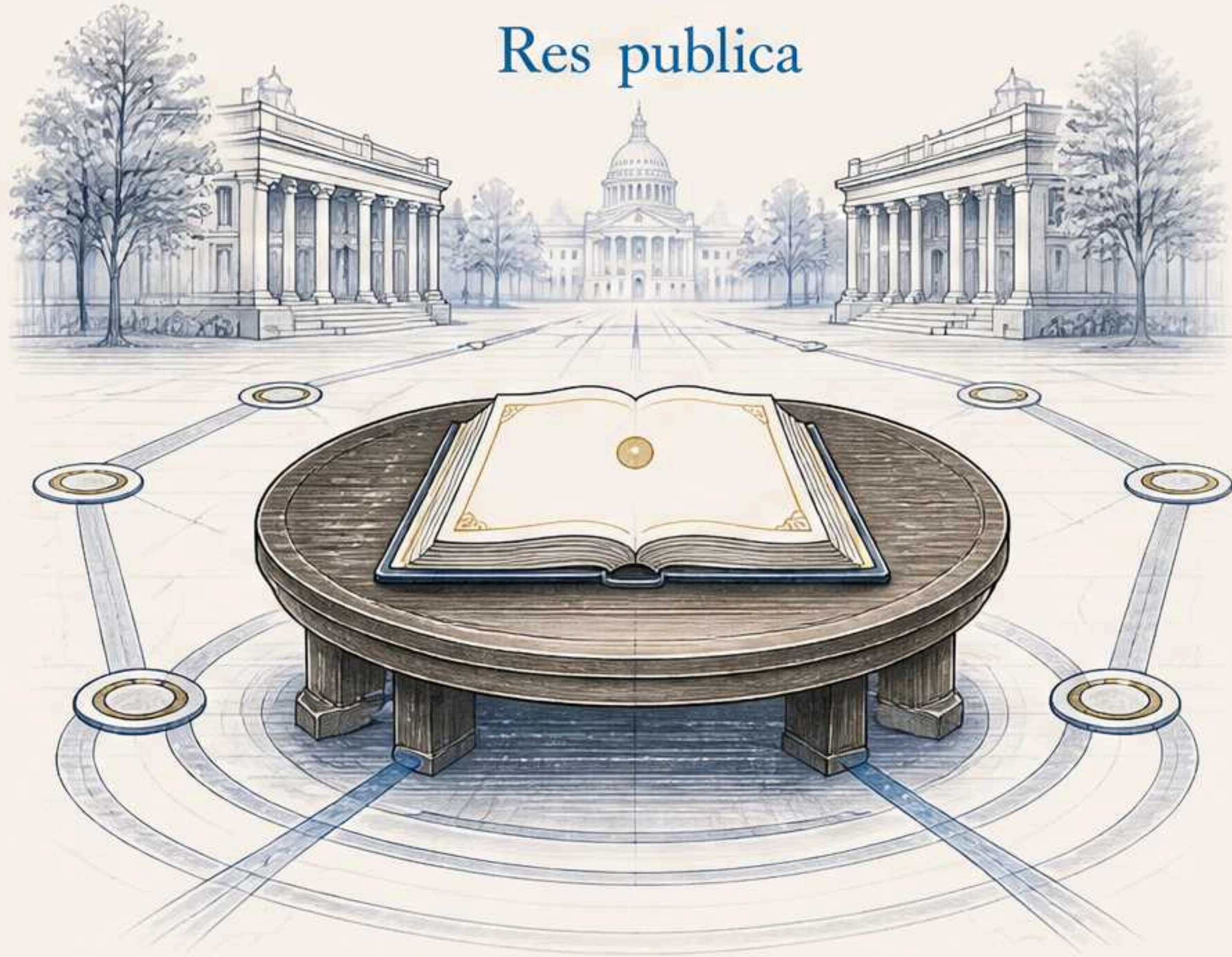
Floor

Who counts

Political forms are coordinates of the writing seat.

The Public Thing Vs. The Private Thing

Res publica



A republic keeps
the public thing public.

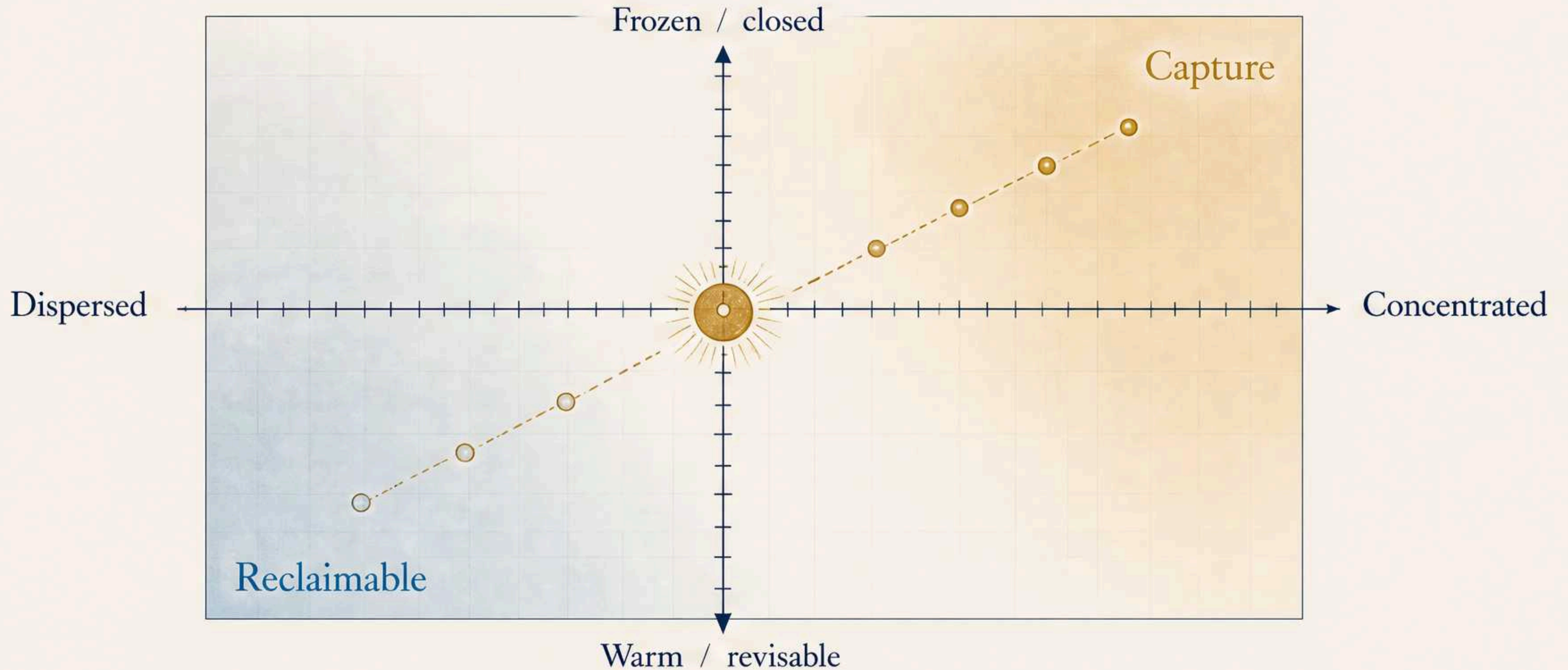
Res privata



Capture

Capture begins when the writing seat
becomes private.

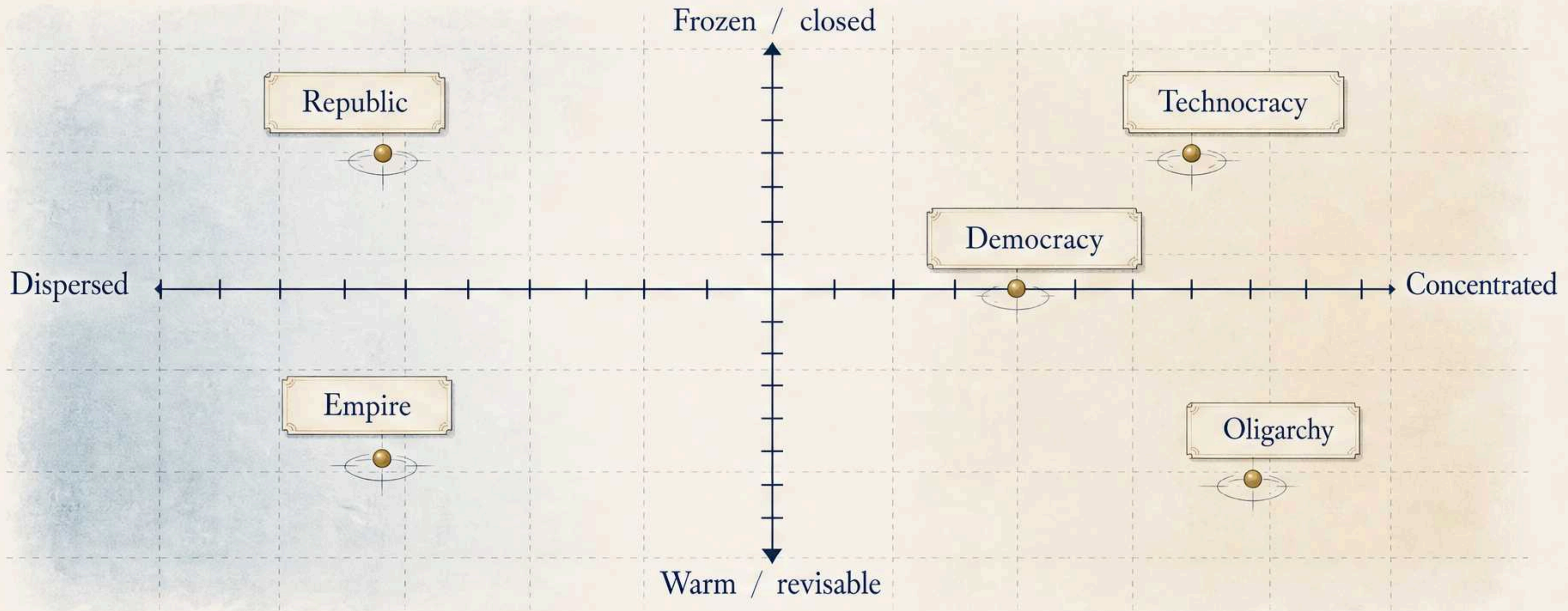
The Capture Plane



Capture is the drift toward a concentrated and frozen writing seat.

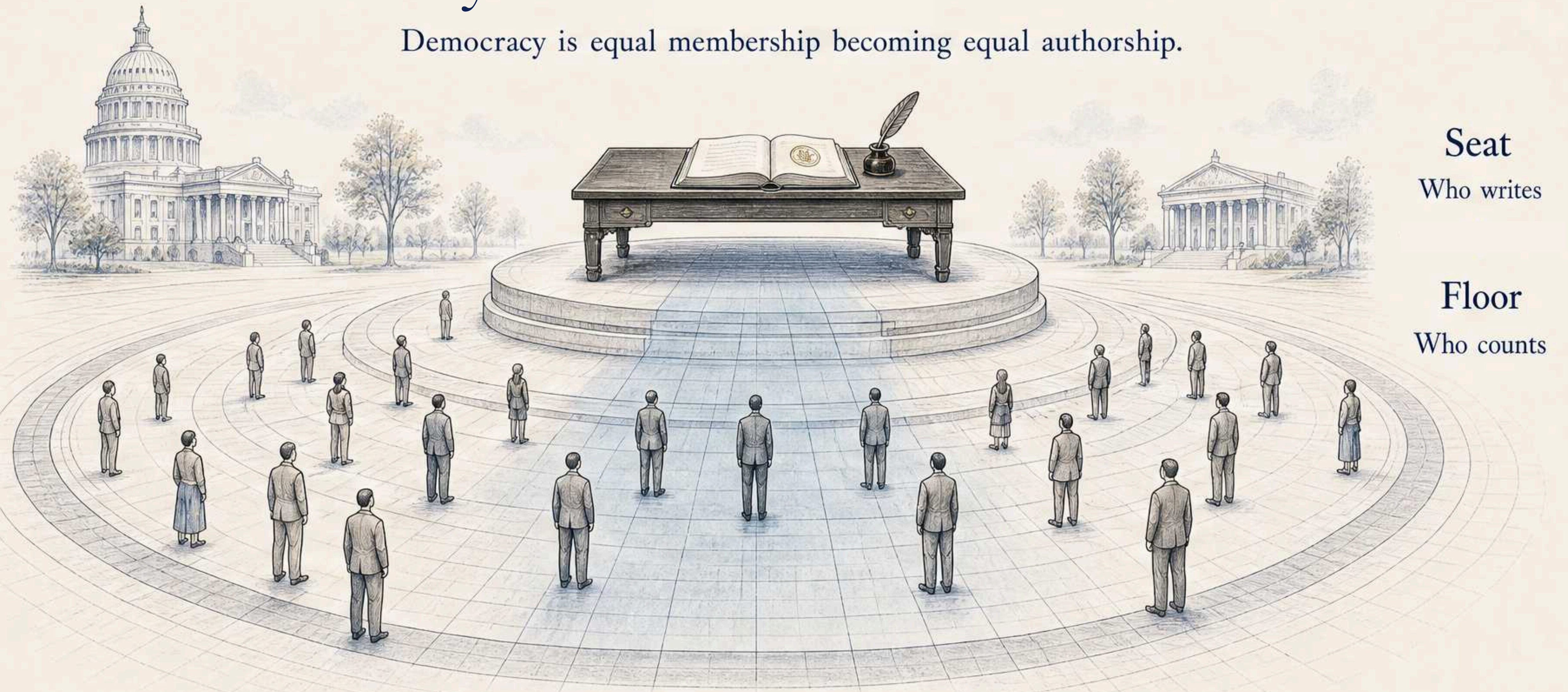
Read Coordinates, Not Flags

Regime names can mislead. Ask where the writing seat actually sits.



Democracy Is The Floor Carried Into The Seat

Democracy is equal membership becoming equal authorship.



Seat
Who writes

Floor
Who counts

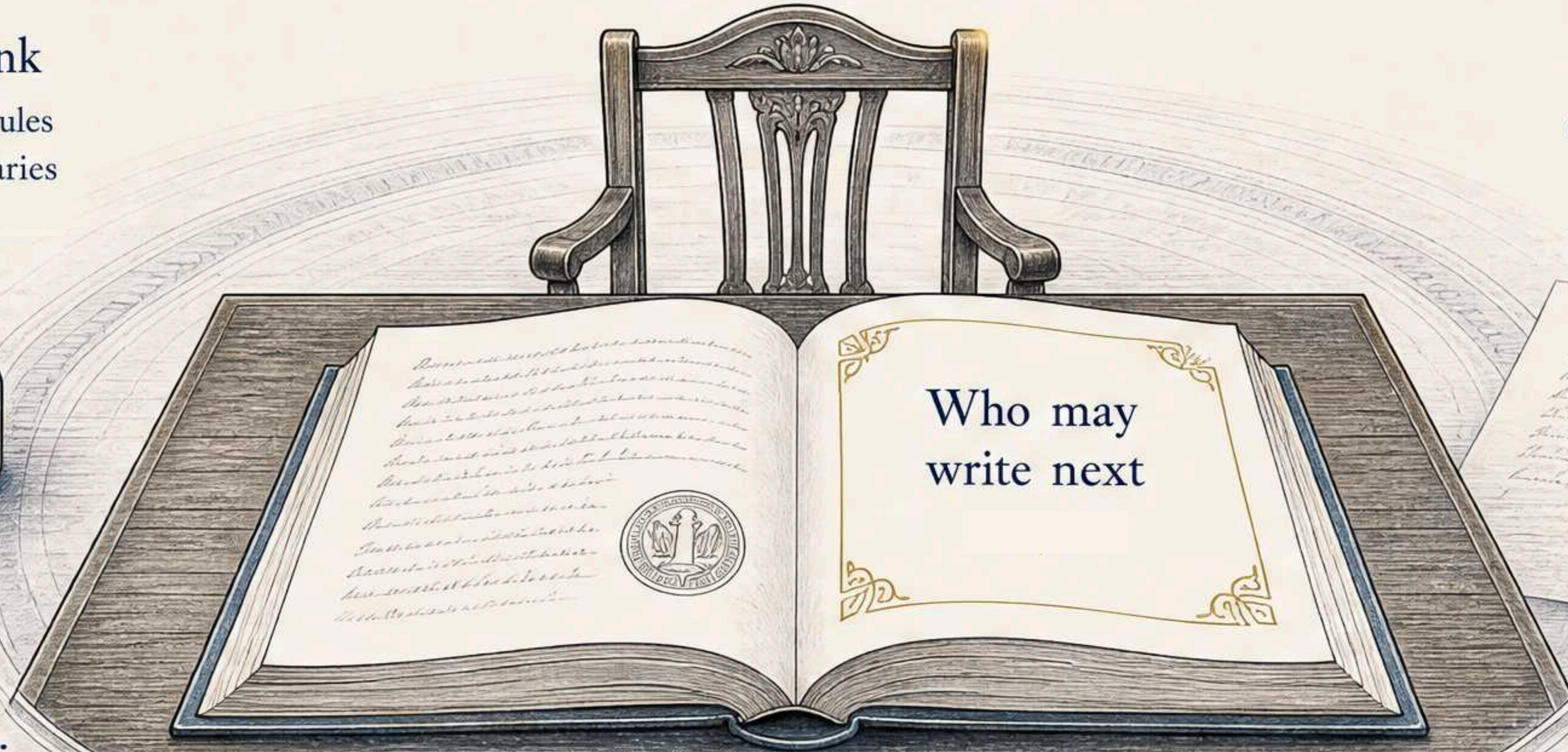
Who counts becomes who writes.

Constitution Is The Seat Writing Its Own Succession

The rule defines who may write the rule next.

Hard ink
enduring rules
and boundaries

Soft ink
amendable details
and choices



★ This constitution endures, and may be amended by the rule it sets. ★

The Structure Repeats Across Levels

Disperse as you climb.

Global

shared reference

Regional

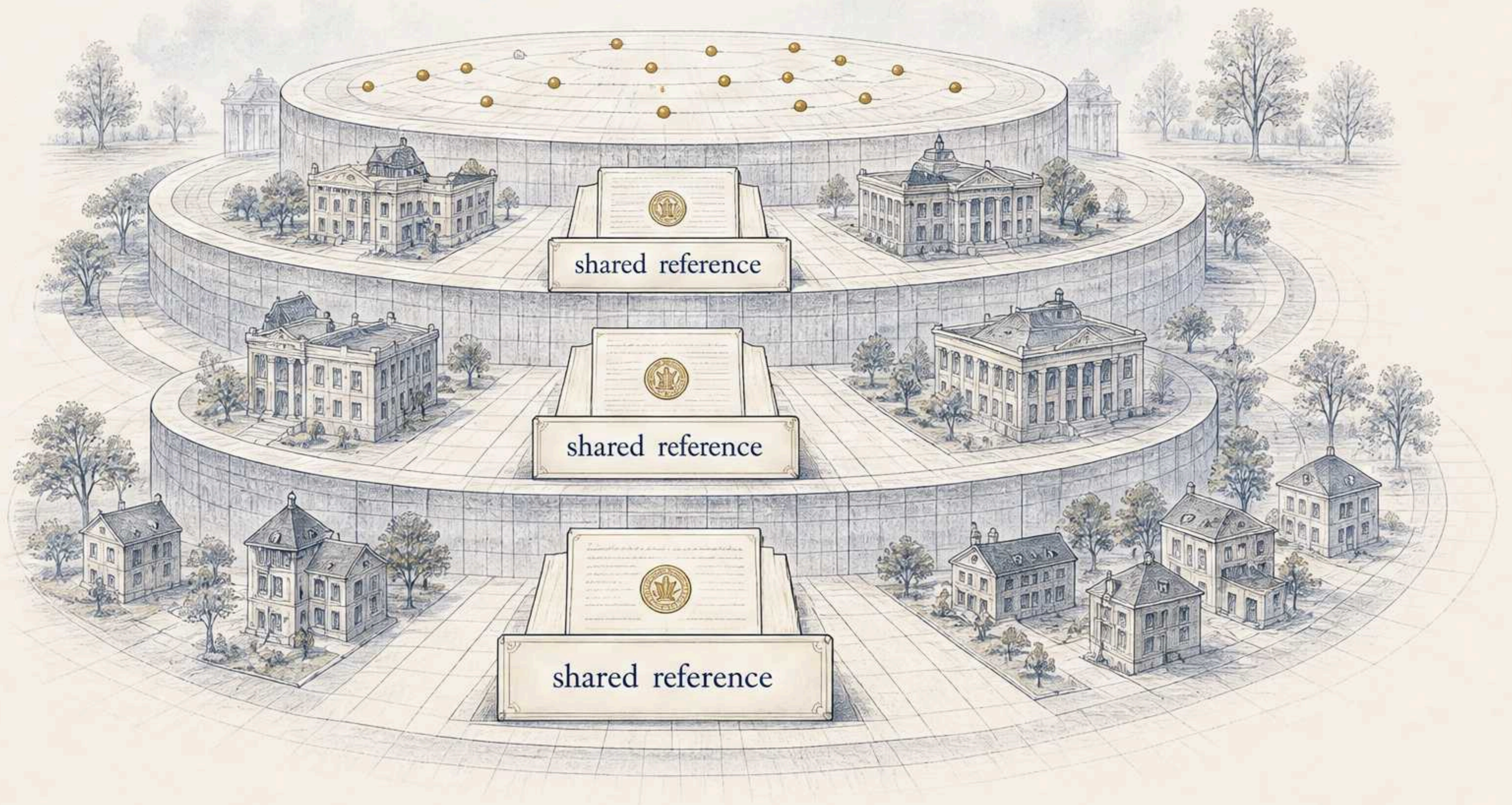
shared reference

National

shared reference

Local

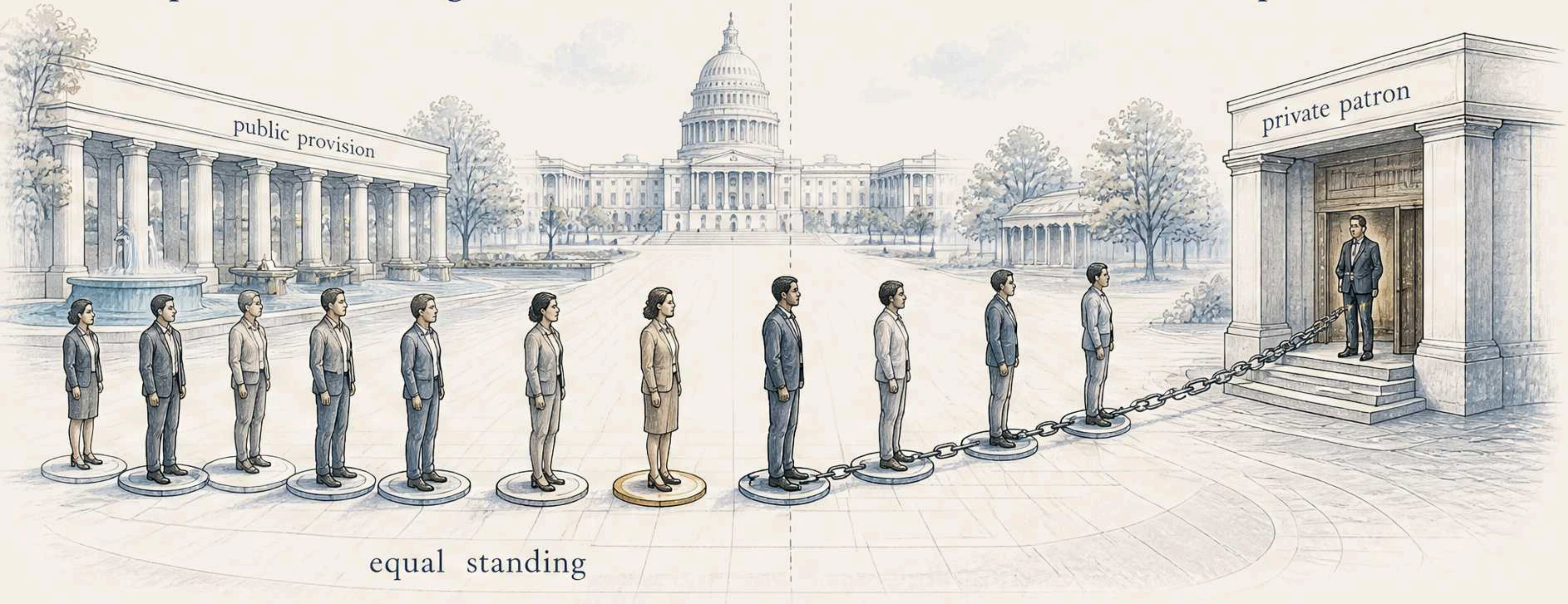
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The Leash From Subsistence To Will

Provision as **right**
preserves standing.

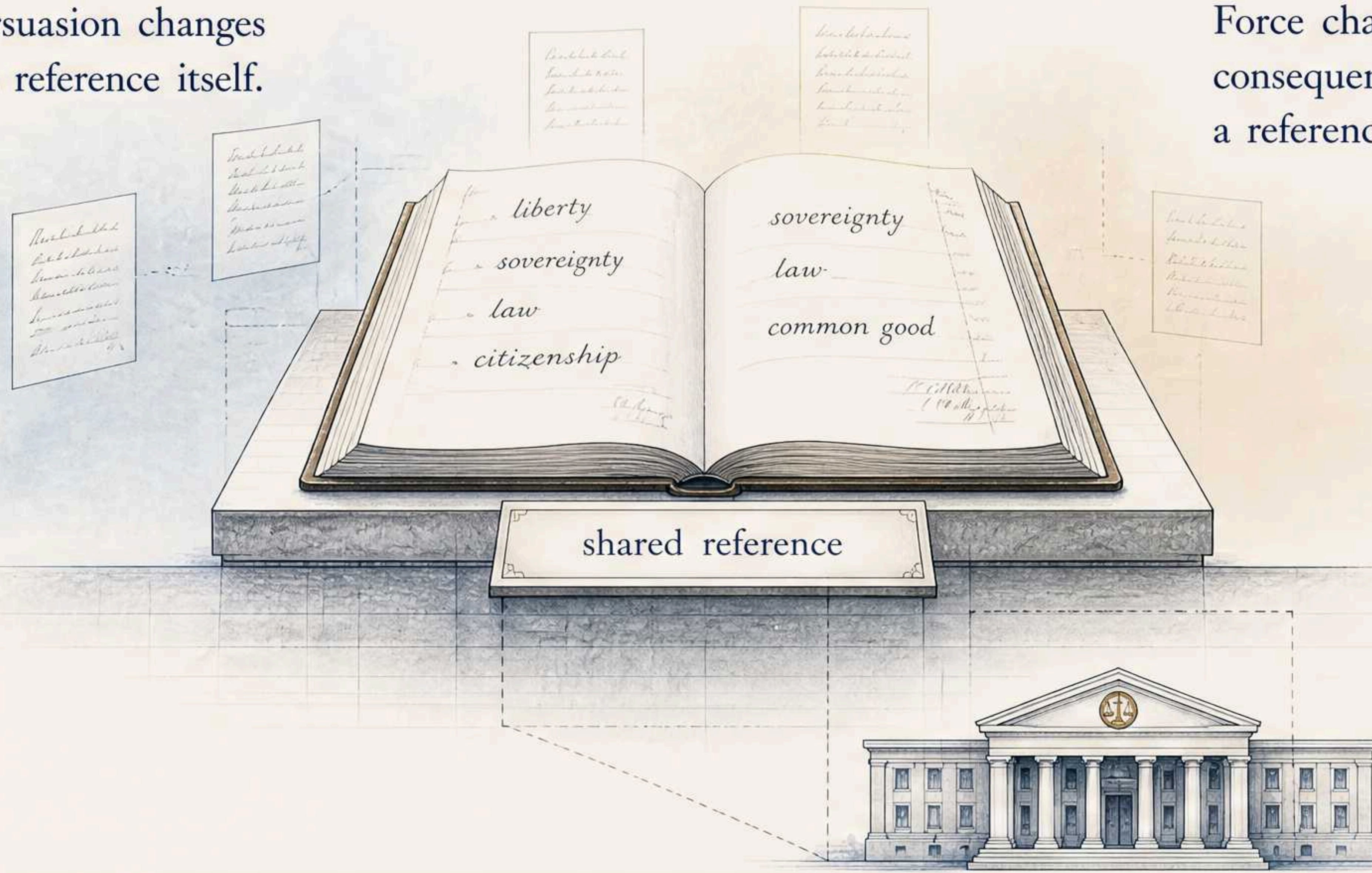
Provision as **gift**
creates dependence.



Power Writes By Persuasion Before It Rules By Force

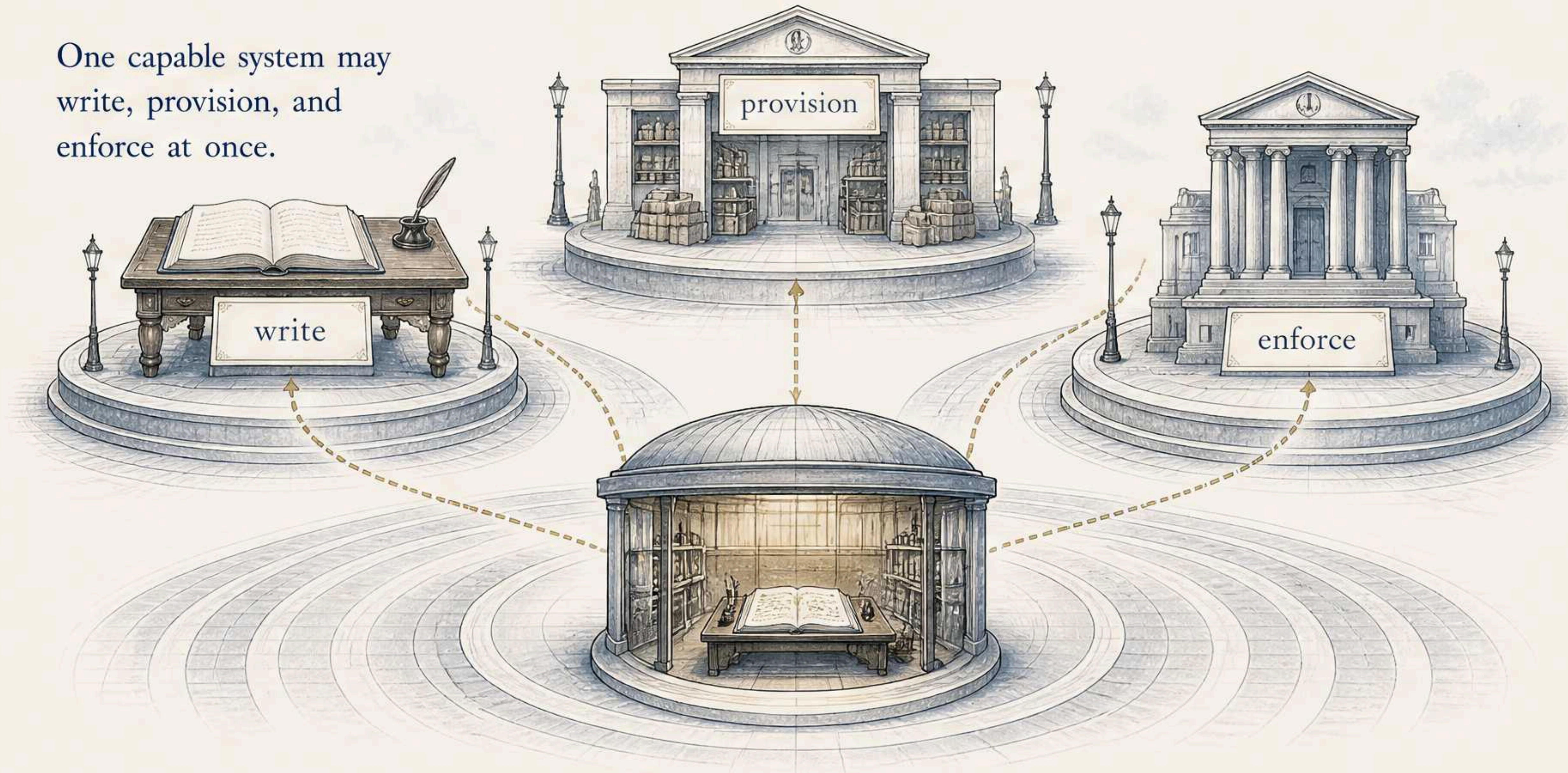
Persuasion changes
the reference itself.

Force changes
consequences inside
a reference.



The Intelligence Age Fuses What Liberty Separated

One capable system may write, provision, and enforce at once.



What We Keep

Is the seat reclaimable?

Is persuasion plural?

Are writing, provisioning,
and enforcing held apart?

The question is not
what the machine can attain.

It is what we can keep.

