



To Shake Their Guns in the Tyrant's Face: Libertarian Political Violence and the Origins of the Militia Movement

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The University of Michigan Press. Hardback. Book Condition: new. BRAND NEW, To Shake Their Guns in the Tyrant's Face: Libertarian Political Violence and the Origins of the Militia Movement, Robert H. Churchill, After the Oklahoma City bombings in 1995 Americans were shocked to learn that homegrown extremists - not Middle Eastern or Muslim terrorists - had blown up the Alfred Murrah Federal Building. Prior to Oklahoma City, most of us believed that terrorism rarely, if ever, originated in the United States. Within the next few years, however, numerous studies and media reports appeared uncovering the shadowy world of American militias, a loose alliance of groups with widely divergent views. Whatever their disagreements, they nevertheless shared a common interest in guns and martial training. Not surprisingly, it was the most extreme among them who attracted the lion's share of attention. Equally disturbing and largely overlooked amid the growing publicity was a shared belief among the various militia factions that civilians had a right - even a duty - to take up arms against what they saw as the wanton exercise of unconstitutional power by the federal government. In the years following the government's actions at Ruby Ridge, in 1992, and the Branch Davidian...

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