PARTIAL LIST OF POST 9-11 CIVIL LIBERTIES / HUMAN RIGHTS VIOLATIONS & HISTORICALLY RELATED CASES INCLUDING LIST OF ACTIVIST RESOURCES

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While some of these cases are very different from the case involving Steve Kurtz and Critical Art Ensemble, this partial list indicates a disturbing trend toward the trampling of civil liberties, civil rights, and human rights and the chilling of dissent under post 9/11 legislation such as the PATRIOT ACT.

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