

## **First Draft of the Preamble to the US Constitution, August 1787**

We the People of the States of New–Hampshire, Massachusetts, Rhode-Island and Providence Plantations, Connecticut, New-York, New-Jersey, Pennsylvania, Delaware, Maryland, Virginia, North-Carolina, South-Carolina, and Georgia, do ordain, declare and establish the following Constitution for the Government of Ourselves and our Posterity.

### **ARTICLE I.**

The stile of this Government shall be, “The United States of America.”