

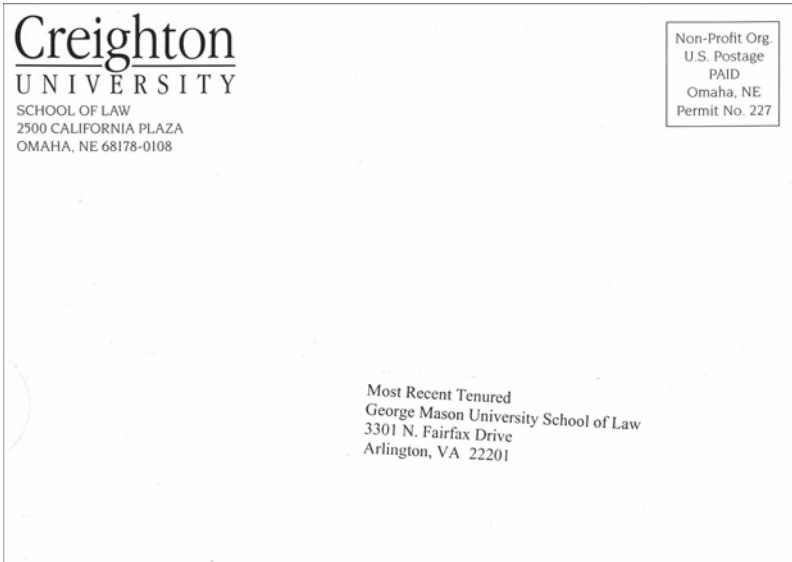
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was not required for constitutional amendments). Passionately confirming what would become “the emancipation tradition,” Lincoln remarked that this document rooted out “the original disturbing cause” of the great rebellion and civil war – a definitive response to all of those who later insisted that slavery was not the cause or major issue of the Civil War.

- 2 DOCUMENTARY HISTORY OF THE CONSTITUTION OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, 1786-1870 (U.S. Dep’t of State 1894); DAVID BRION DAVIS, INHUMAN BONDAGE 321-22 (Oxford 2006).

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