

# **Pardons and commutations**

**Just as**

**Stone was supposed to go to prison,  
Trump commuted his sentence.**

**Commutation was more useful  
to the cover-up than an outright pardon.**

**A commuted person retains his  
Fifth Amendment right not to testify;  
a pardoned person loses that right.**

**David Frum,  
"Last Exit From Autocracy"**