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Some people are convinced they have found the 'Holy Grail' of the conspiracy world in a small financial organisation that owns the vast majority of all stocks in the US

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Ask most people who 'owns' the US and it is unlikely that they will cite one tiny New York-based company.

Yet there are those who are convinced that a [financial](#) institution called Cede and Company holds all the real power in the country and is the one really running it. The organisation reportedly has assets worth an astonishing \$54trillion and it has been able to acquire such figures due to owning 83% of all issued stocks in the US.

This happens because private investors don't actually own the [stock](#) they believe they do. Instead, they have contractual rights that are part of a convoluted chain of rights, which all end up at Cede and Company.

It breaks down like this: a number of interconnected services such as The Depository Trust & Clearing Corporation (DTCC), the National Securities Clearing Corporation and the Fixed Income Clearing Corporation oversee all stock trading in the US. And these all come under the umbrella company of Cede, which was founded in 1996.

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Cede owns 83% of all stocks in the US (stock image) (Image: Getty / images/iStockphoto)

The Depository Trust Company (DTC) is a private bank for securities and a DTCC subsidiary. Every other US financial organisation, banker and brokerage house is obliged to secure membership with DTC.

The DTC is entrusted with national responsibility, much like the Federal Reserve, and processes all stock and paper securities for every US bank and brokerage house.

Because it physically holds the majority of stock and bond certificates in their name, the DTC has absolute control over every paper asset transaction in the US. Few people, then, genuinely hold stock ownership certificates as most have their brokers do it for them.

The DTCC does not often speak in public but DTC's Jim McNeff spoke to financial journalist Anthony Wayne and explained how infallible DTC's governance of the US stock market is, reports the said: "There were 535million transactions on Monday, and 400million transactions on Tuesday.

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"DTC cleared every transaction without a single glitch!" Anthony concluded that the Black Monday of 2008 - a globally severe stock market crash - referred to was an intentionally manipulated disaster for the benefit of the DTC.

However, the journalist's claims have never been proven. While some US citizens have drawn their own conclusions about Cede and believe it is part of a big **conspiracy theory**, with one even likening it to the 'Illuminati'.

One [Reddit](#) user said: "We belong to Cede. I can't believe we've found the Holy Grail of the conspiracy world."

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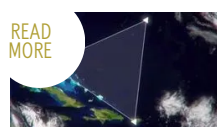
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"These guys' owners own it all. There's probably a version of Cede & Co for every country and it's run by the same people. We can chop off their biggest limb right now."

Another said: "The important question, who owns Cede?" while a third user added: "Pretty crazy how it's called Cede...."

"Because that is exactly what we did - cede control of the stock market to this company." A fourth simply said: "This is the real Illuminati, if one really exists."

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