

**The Sherman Anti-Trust Act**

You are a person  
whom the American Sugar Refining Company gave the right to thrive.  
You are a person  
but not a construct of fat and fingernails, a noun with unique skin,  
your face a thousand truck bays, automated doors, whose concrete teeth  
in turnpike grass are embedded in the gums of economy.  
You are a person  
whose clean fleet of cars we are enjoined from slandering.  
We believe  
in your stated aims to minimize ultraviolet and pragmatize our common bounty.  
We believe,  
on our greatest lakes and rivers, your touch refrains from empirical damage.  
We believe  
in your broadcast arias, your libretto of claims on wide screens and narrow.  
You are a person,  
not a rumor of stunned cows, nor an enterprise to sandblast serial numbers,  
nor explosive machines in deep storage now that so many men and women  
have fewer limbs than balance requires.  
You are a person  
whose eyes see through the eyes of state legislatures,  
with an ear to the ground for its hiss of multiple fuels,  
with a hand in rerouting icebergs to facilitate shipping.  
You are a person,  
not a party complained of, not a microchip lodged in our secret petition.  
You are a person  
discussed in print but immune to libel, engendering trust and anti-trust.