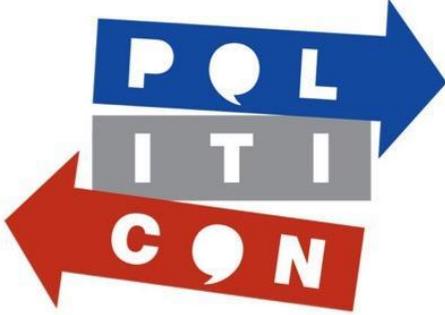


Terri Schiavo's Brother Joins Political Powerhouses at Politicon in Los Angeles



Los Angeles, 8 October 2015 – The brother of Terri Schiavo will speak about right to life issues at [Politicon](#), a nonpartisan entertainment-style event focusing on politics. Other headliners include the new host of *The Daily Show* Trevor Noah, Newt Gingrich, Michele Bachmann, David Axelrod, Ann Coulter and more.

“It’s a unique chance for me to talk about right to life issues to a politically engaged audience that is eager for straightforward conversations about topics that significantly affect our lives,” says Bobby Schindler, President of the [Terri Schiavo Life & Hope Network](#).

Schindler’s work as a pro-life and disability rights advocate began in 2000 with his fight for the life of his sister, Terri Schindler Schiavo. Since then, he has testified before state legislatures and addressed members of Parliament in Australia and Canada on the importance of protecting the medically vulnerable. He has spoken in 44 states; at 29 universities, colleges and medical schools; and in nine countries, giving a firsthand account of Terri’s story, which has been largely misrepresented by the mainstream media. Schindler’s articles on food and hydration, assisted suicide, the bioethics movement, medical ethics, and end of life issues have appeared nationally in the *Wall Street Journal*, *The Linacre Quarterly*, *The Human Life Review*, *TIME*, *Chicago Tribune* and *Townhall.com*.

On Friday at Politicon, Schindler will join other leading voices on right to life issues during a moderated discussion with civil rights activist Dr. Alveda King, who is also the niece of Dr. Martin Luther King, as well as Lila Rose, founder of the pro-life media group Live Action.

When: This Friday, October 9, 430pm-530pm

Where: Downtown Los Angeles Convention Center, 1201 S Figueroa St., Liberty Hall (Concourse 150)

Available for interviews Friday & Saturday

Background: In 1990, at age 26, a healthy Terri Schindler Schiavo collapsed and was admitted to a St. Petersburg, Florida hospital where she was diagnosed with a profound brain injury. When her husband Michael eventually lobbied successfully to have her feeding tube removed, even though her family pleaded to provide for her care, a national debate unfolded. In response to the urging of tens of thousands, Governor Jeb Bush advocated to keep Terri alive, and Terri’s Law was passed in 2003. The law enabled feeding to be resumed, but was later overturned. In 2005, with an overwhelming majority, Congress signed a bill into law allowing a federal court to intervene and continue food and water, but the effort was overturned and Terri’s feeding tube was removed. She died 13 days later from dehydration.

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