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Andrew R. Arthur

Andrew “Art” Arthur serves as Resident Fellow in Law and Policy for the Center for Immigration Studies, a Washington, DC-based research institute that examines the impact of immigration on American society. He began his legal career through the Attorney General’s Honors Program as a clerk to Administrative Law Judge Joseph E. McGuire in the Office of the Chief Administrative Hearing Officer at the United States Department of Justice, Executive Office for Immigration Review. After a two-year clerkship with Judge McGuire, he received a second Honors Program appointment as a Trial Attorney in the San Francisco District Counsel’s Office, and later the Baltimore District Counsel’s Office, of the former Immigration and Naturalization Service (INS).

In 1999, he was promoted to the INS’s General Counsel’s Office in Washington DC, first as an Associate General Counsel, and later as an Assistant General Counsel and Acting Chief of the INS National Security Law Division. In the General Counsel’s Office, Mr. Arthur supervised attorneys handling cases involving espionage, terrorism, and persecutors. He also advised the Attorney General, Deputy Attorney General, and INS Commissioner on issues relating to national security.

In July 2001, Mr. Arthur left the INS to become a Counsel on the House Judiciary Committee, where he performed oversight of immigration issues. After five years at House Judiciary, he was appointed to the immigration bench, serving for eight years as an Immigration Judge at the York Immigration Court in York, Pennsylvania.

At the beginning of the 114th Congress, Judge Arthur left the bench and came back to Capitol Hill, where he served as Staff Director of the National Security Subcommittee at House Oversight and Government Reform before taking retirement from federal service in September 2016.

He is a graduate of the University of Virginia (BA 1988), and of the George Washington University School of Law (JD 1992).

Robert Barnes

As a young man, exposure to widely varying walks of life gave Barnes a unique ability to empathize with and advocate for others no matter their background. Today, he uses this same empathy to serve his clients, persuade his juries, and win over the judges who preside over his trials.

Though his own roots were financially humble and distinctly Southern, his family tradition is steeped in the New England patriots' commitment to liberty and justice. His Rhode Island great-grandfathers historically refused a new American government without the Bill of Rights guaranteeing individual liberties.

Eventually, Barnes overcame his family's financial challenges by winning a scholarship to the elite McCallie School in Chattanooga, Tennessee. He went on to attend Yale University, also on scholarship, where he made quite a name for himself as a defender of the underdog and an outsider unafraid to challenge insiders in powerful positions.

After Yale University announced intentions to exclude students in the admissions process based solely on their lack of income or familial ties to the university, Barnes left the school in protest to draw attention to the issue,

but not before publishing a scathing and widely read op-ed challenging Yale's position. Yale subsequently reversed its policies and kept a "need-blind" admissions policy to this day. Barnes then received a fellowship to attend law school at the University of Wisconsin, where he graduated with honors and myriad awards for academic excellence, including the Mathys Award for oral argument and effective advocacy.

Today, Barnes continues to stand up to systems, to bullies, to Big Banks, to the IRS, and to those who would take away those guaranteed freedoms his grandfathers helped establish: free speech and civil rights.

Elliot Berke

Elliot Berke is the Managing Partner of Berke Farah LLP and is the immediate past President of the Republican National Lawyers Association. Prior to founding Berke Farah LLP, Elliot served as a partner and as practice group co-chair at McGuireWoods LLP. He has been named by Chambers USA as a "Nationwide Best Lawyer" and by Washingtonian as one of "Washington's Best Lawyers." His diverse client base consists of federal and state elected and appointed officials, campaign committees, political parties, PACs, corporations, small businesses, trade associations, lobbying firms, public relations firms, nonprofits and individuals. He represents clients before congressional ethics and oversight committees, the FEC, the DOJ, and other federal and state departments and agencies. He has represented presidential appointees on their confirmation over three Administrations. He has represented the top four leadership positions in the U.S. House of Representatives – Speaker, Majority Leader, Majority Whip, and Conference Chair – as either in-house or outside counsel, and currently serves as outside counsel for Majority Leader Kevin McCarthy and Conference Chair Cathy McMorris Rodgers. He has run election day war rooms for presidential and gubernatorial candidates. He is a frequent speaker on political law, and regularly conducts the ethics training for the Congressional Institute's Members of Congress and Chief of Staff retreats. His commentary has appeared in media outlets including Fox's Special Report w/Bret Baier and Tucker Carlson Tonight, NBC Nightly News, the Wall Street Journal, the New York Times, USA Today, Politico and the Washington Post.

Prior to entering private practice full time, Elliot served as the General Counsel of Barbour, Griffith & Rogers, a Fortune rated top government relations firm. From 2004 through 2006, he served as in-house counsel and ethics advisor to the two most senior members of House leadership. Elliot's ethics and compliance experience on Capitol Hill was preceded by similar experience within the executive branch. As special counsel to the Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD), he oversaw complex and sensitive legal issues for the department. Prior to his service at HUD, he served as a senior associate independent counsel on the Whitewater and Lewinsky federal criminal investigations and worked on multiple grand jury investigations and plea agreements. Elliot began his legal career as an investigative counsel for Senate and House oversight committees.

Elliot is a cum laude graduate of Wake Forest University and Emory University School of Law. He serves as General Counsel & Senior Advisor to the Jack Kemp Foundation, and on the boards of the International Churchill Society, the Vaclav Havel Library Foundation and the RNLA.

Josh Blackman

Josh is an Associate Professor of Law at the South Texas College of Law Houston who specializes in constitutional law, the United States Supreme Court, and the intersection of law and technology. Josh is the author of the critically acclaimed *Unprecedented: The Constitutional Challenge to Obamacare* (2013) and *Unraveled: Obamacare, Religious Liberty, and Executive Power* (Cambridge University Press, 2016).

Josh was selected by Forbes Magazine for the "30 Under 30" in Law and Policy. Josh has twice testified before the House Judiciary Committee on the constitutionality of executive action on immigration and health care. He is an adjunct scholar at the Cato Institute. Josh is the founder and President of the Harlan Institute, the founder of FantasySCOTUS, the Internet's Premier Supreme Court Fantasy League, and blogs at JoshBlackman.com. Josh is the author of over four dozen law review articles, and his commentary has appeared in The New York Times, Wall Street Journal, Washington Post, USA Today, L.A. Times, and other national publications.

David K. Bowsher

David K. Bowsher advises on mergers and acquisitions, oil and gas acquisitions and financing, and bankruptcy matters throughout the Southeast and beyond. The focus of his M&A practice is middle market deals, in which he has represented both buyers and sellers. His oil and gas practice centers on exploration and production companies with operations in Texas and elsewhere. David also has deep background in all aspects of corporate restructuring, with particular experience in § 363 asset sales in bankruptcy cases.

In addition, David has extensive corporate and transactional experience, including securities offerings, financing transactions, and capital raising efforts.

He also has a real understanding of how Washington, D.C. works—both in the Executive Branch and in Congress—from his service as a senior Department of Commerce official in President George W. Bush's Administration. He spends time in the firm's Washington, D.C. office on government relations matters.

David served as a judicial clerk for Judge William H. Yohn, Jr. of the United States District Court for the Eastern District of Pennsylvania. David is RNLA's First Vice President.

Steven G. Bradbury

Steve Bradbury was sworn in on November 28, 2017, as the 23rd General Counsel of the U.S. Department of Transportation (DOT) after his confirmation by the United States Senate.

As the Department's chief legal officer, Mr. Bradbury has the authority to resolve all legal questions concerning the Department's policies and programs and its more than 55,000 employees and \$79 billion budget. Mr. Bradbury oversees the activities of the Department's lawyers, safeguarding the integrity of the decision-making process and ensuring compliance with applicable laws.

Before joining DOT, Mr. Bradbury was a litigation partner at Dechert LLP in Washington, D.C., where his practice focused on regulatory enforcement and investigations, rulemaking and judicial review of agency actions, appellate cases, and antitrust matters. In private practice, he gained experience with automotive safety and aviation competition issues, including before DOT. From 2005 to 2009, Mr. Bradbury headed the Office of Legal Counsel at the U.S. Department of Justice, where he advised the executive branch on a wide range of constitutional and statutory questions, and where he received the Edmund J. Randolph Award and the Secretary of Defense Medal for Outstanding Public Service, among other awards. Before serving in the Justice Department, Mr. Bradbury was a partner at Kirkland & Ellis LLP for ten years. He clerked for Justice Clarence Thomas on the Supreme Court and for Judge James L. Buckley on the D.C. Circuit. Mr. Bradbury graduated magna cum laude from Michigan Law School and received his B.A. from Stanford University. He grew up in Portland, Oregon, and lives with his wife in McLean, Virginia.

Reb Brownell

Roy E. Brownell II is the RNLA's Vice President for Judicial Affairs. He is co-author of the forthcoming book, *The U.S. Senate and the Commonwealth* (University Press of Kentucky), and is co-editor of the book *Magna Carta and the Rule of Law* (ABA Press). He has contributed to a number of other books and scholarly publications on subjects such as separation of powers, the presidency and vice presidency, Congress, foreign affairs and sports history.

His work has also been published in academic journals such as *Presidential Studies Quarterly*, *Fordham Law Review*, *St. John's Law Review*, *American University Law Review*, the *New York University Journal of Legislation and Public Policy*, the *Journal of Law & Politics* (published at the University of Virginia School of Law), the *Journal of National Security Law & Policy*, the *Kansas Journal of Law & Public Policy*, the *Seton Hall Constitutional Law Journal*, the *Law and Politics Book Review*, the *Texas Review of Law & Politics*, *African Affairs*, the *Journal of Southern African Studies*, *White House Studies*, the *Akron Journal of Constitutional Law & Policy*, *Engage*, and *The Federal Lawyer*.

His writings on separation of powers have been cited by the U.S. Court of Appeals for the District of Columbia Circuit, in a number of leading treatises and casebooks in the field and in dozens of academic journals including *Harvard Law Review*, *Columbia Law Review*, *University of Chicago Law Review*, *Michigan Law Review*, *Harvard Journal of Law & Public Policy*, *Presidential Studies Quarterly* and *Congress and the Presidency*.

Mr. Brownell is former Deputy Chief of Staff and Counsel to U.S. Senator Mitch McConnell. Prior to that, Mr. Brownell served as a Senior Advisor for Senate Affairs at the U.S. Department of State. In addition, he has

worked for the U.S. Agency for International Development and as an attorney at a law firm in Washington, D.C. Mr. Brownell has also worked for three U.S. Senate committees and for a Member of Parliament in the British House of Commons.

Mr. Brownell holds an LL.M. (with distinction) and a National Security Law certificate from Georgetown University, and a J.D. from American University where he served as Editor-in-Chief of the Law Review. In addition, he holds degrees in history from Boston College (with distinction) and Michigan State University (with honors). He is a member of the Supreme Court, District of Columbia, Michigan and Maryland bars. His areas of interest are the law and institutional development of the presidency, vice presidency, Congress and the Supreme Court. He also writes on separation of powers, foreign affairs and sports history.

Mr. Brownell has been a guest lecturer at the Fordham University School of Law, the St. Louis University School of Law, National Defense University, the University of Louisville and the U.S. Army Strategic Broadening Seminar.

Dr. Ben Carson

On March 2nd, 2017, Dr. Benjamin S. Carson, Sr., M.D., was sworn in as the 17th Secretary of the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development.

For nearly 30 years, Dr. Carson served as Director of Pediatric Neurosurgery at the Johns Hopkins Children's Center, a position he assumed when he was just 33 years old, becoming the youngest major division director in the hospital's history. In 1987, he successfully performed the first separation of craniopagus twins conjoined at the back of the head. He also performed the first fully successful separation of type-2 vertical craniopagus twins in 1997 in South Africa.

Dr. Carson received dozens of honors and awards in recognition of his achievements including the Presidential Medal of Freedom, the nation's highest civilian honor. He is also a recipient of the Spingarn Medal, the highest honor bestowed by the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People (NAACP).

Dr. Carson authored nine books, four of which he co-wrote with his wife Candy. The U.S. News Media Group and Harvard's Center for Public Leadership named him among "America's Best Leaders" in 2008.

Dr. Carson and his wife co-founded the Carson Scholars Fund, which recognizes young people of all backgrounds for exceptional academic and humanitarian accomplishments. The Fund is currently operating in 50 states and the District of Columbia, and has recognized more than 7,300 scholars, awarded more than \$7.3 million in scholarships, and installed more than 150 Ben Carson Reading Rooms around the country.

Born in Detroit to a single mother with a 3rd grade education who worked multiple jobs to support their family, Secretary Carson was raised to love reading and education. He graduated from Yale University and earned his M.D. from the University of Michigan Medical School. He and his wife are the proud parents of three adult sons and three grandchildren.

Mark Chenoweth

New Civil Liberties Alliance's Executive Director and General Counsel, Mark Chenoweth, has observed the administrative state up close and personal from perches in all four branches of the federal government. Mark served as the first chief of staff to Congressman Mike Pompeo, as legal counsel to Commissioner Anne Northup at the U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission, as an attorney advisor in the Office of Legal Policy at the U.S. Department of Justice, and as a law clerk to the Hon. Danny J. Boggs on the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Sixth Circuit.

Mark has worked in several different roles in the private sector as well. He began his legal career in D.C. as a regulatory associate at Wilmer, Cutler & Pickering. He then returned to his home state of Kansas to serve as in-house counsel for Koch Industries. Most recently he spent over four years as general counsel of the Washington Legal Foundation.

Mark is a graduate of Yale College and the University of Chicago Law School, where he co-founded the Institute for Justice Clinic on Entrepreneurship and became a Tony Patiño Fellow. He is slated to serve as an adjunct professor at Antonin Scalia Law School in the Fall.

Doug Collins

After graduating from North Hall High School, Doug earned a degree in political science and criminal justice from the University of North Georgia. Even then, Doug took the vision and values of northeast Georgia to Washington as an intern in the House of Representatives. Doug earned his master's degree in divinity from New Orleans Baptist Theological Seminary, and his community roots only deepened in the eleven years that he pastored Chicopee Baptist Church. In 2006, the people of Georgia's 27th State House District elected Doug to represent them. During his first term in the state legislature, Doug graduated from Atlanta's John Marshall Law School and established his own legal practice.

As a U.S. Air Force Reserve chaplain, Doug has ministered to our country's military since 2002. He completed a 2008-2009 deployment to Iraq while stationed at Balad Air Force Base. As a Lieutenant Colonel, Doug remains active in the Air Force Reserve.

Doug has served as a U.S. Representative for Georgia's Ninth Congressional District since 2013. In the 116th Congress, Doug serves as Ranking Member of the U.S. House Committee on the Judiciary. In this role, Doug leads his Republican colleagues on a wide breadth of issues within the Committee's purview, which include fighting to uphold and safeguard the Second Amendment, protecting the lives of unborn children, defending religious liberty, and overseeing our law enforcement agencies.

Paul Compton

J. Paul Compton, Jr. was confirmed by the United States Senate as General Counsel of the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development on December 18, 2017 and began with HUD in January 2018. As General Counsel, Mr. Compton serves as the chief law officer of the Department and principal legal advisor to the Secretary.

Mr. Compton brings to HUD nearly 30 years of experience in providing legal advice regarding affordable housing transactions, commercial mortgage finance, and consumer lending compliance. He joins HUD from the Birmingham office of the law firm Bradley Arant Boult Cummings LLP where he was a partner and served as the Chairman of the firm's Finance Committee. Mr. Compton joined the firm in 1989 and spent his career there providing legal advice to developers, non-profits, public housing authorities, banks, and other financial institutions regarding financial transactions and investments in affordable housing and community development projects. He also served as outside General Counsel to the Alabama Affordable Housing Association and as a member, and former state chairman, of the American Bar Association Forum on Affordable Housing and Community Development.

Mr. Compton is a 1985 graduate, summa cum laude, of the University of Alabama, where he was named the College of Commerce's Outstanding Student in 1985. He also attended the London School of Economics and Political Science as an undergraduate. He is a 1983 Truman Scholar and served on the Board of Directors of the Truman Scholars Association. He received his J.D. from the University of Virginia School of Law in 1989. Mr. Compton grew up in Georgiana, Alabama and lives in Washington, D.C. with his wife, Dana. They have three adult children.

Tony Cotto

Tony Cotto currently serves as Executive Advisor to the Kentucky Public Protection Secretary, providing counsel on all legislation and regulations affecting the 600-employee Cabinet agency. In his current capacity, Tony is the cabinet official primarily responsible for implementation of Governor Matt Bevin's Red Tape Reduction Initiative across more than 30 diverse regulatory agencies, boards, and commissions, governing industries ranging from Horse Racing and Alcoholic Beverage Control to Insurance, Cosmetology, and Real Estate. Tony has over a decade of legal and government relations experience with expertise in insurance and financial regulation, having served as Associate Counsel at the Department of Commerce in the George W. Bush Administration, Committee Counsel to Ranking Member Tom Coburn (R-OK) on the U.S. Senate Permanent Subcommittee for Investigations, and as Financial Policy Counsel at the National Association of Insurance Commissioners. Immediately prior to his appointment by Governor Bevin in 2017, Tony was in private practice as a Managing Associate with the law firm Frost Brown Todd. He is a member of the Jefferson County GOP Executive committee and serves on the Bylaws committee.

Michael R. Davis

Michael R. Davis served as Chief Counsel for Nominations at the U.S. Senate Committee on the Judiciary. Davis led a team of attorneys that advised Chairman Chuck Grassley and other senators on the presidential nomination and Senate confirmation of federal judges, senior Justice Department officials, and other senior Executive Branch appointees. Davis also assisted the Chairman with oversight of the federal judiciary, including over 800 federal judgeships. Davis has served in all three branches of the federal government, including for President George W. Bush, House Speaker Newt Gingrich, and Supreme Court Justice Neil Gorsuch. Davis has also served in several capacities in the Justice Department, including as a federal prosecutor.

Prior to serving as returning to Washington D.C. and clerking for Justice Gorsuch, he clerked for Justice Gorsuch on the Tenth Circuit and was a civil litigator at his own law firm, MRDLAW in Denver. He received his Bachelor of Arts in 2000 and Juris Doctor in 2004, both from the University of Iowa.

He was also the leader of the RNLA's Colorado Chapter. He is the eighth winner of the RNLA's Betty Murphy Award given to an unsung hero, member, trailblazer, with entrepreneurial spirit, a community service leader, an organization builder who inspires others' efforts.

Harmeet Dhillon

Harmeet Kaur Dhillon, of the Dhillon Law Group Inc., is a nationally recognized lawyer, trusted boardroom advisor, and passionate advocate for individual, corporate and institutional clients across numerous industries and walks of life. She has been awarded the prestigious designation of Northern California Super Lawyer in business litigation by Thomson/West Publishing, an accolade reserved for the top 5% of lawyers in the jurisdiction. She is also AV peer rated by the Martindale Hubbell group on the basis of her strong legal ability and highest ethical standards. From an early interest in constitutional litigation, to a stint at the Department of Justice, federal appeals court clerkship, decade of practice at prestigious international law firms, and then founding her own law firm in 2006, Harmeet's legal career has been marked by a passion for justice, a zeal for attacking legal challenges, and an intense sense of satisfaction in helping her clients realize creative and practical solutions to seemingly intractable problems.

Following a clerkship with the Hon. Paul V. Niemeyer of the United States Court of Appeals for the Fourth Circuit, Ms. Dhillon's practice in New York, London, and the San Francisco Bay Area has focused on federal and state commercial litigation and arbitration, with a particular emphasis on unfair competition/trade secret misappropriation, intellectual property (including trademark litigation and internet torts), complex contractual disputes, and First Amendment litigation (including defamation, trade libel, right of publicity, and anti-SLAPP motions). Harmeet's broad experience also encompasses securities, entertainment, employment discrimination and civil rights matters. Ms. Dhillon has developed a niche practice in representing clients across California in election and campaign law matters, ranging from general compliance and ethics representation for partisan and non-partisan contenders to ballot description contests and intellectual property matters pertaining to campaign communications. She is regularly retained by candidates and campaigns for advice on complex legal issues. Harmeet has practiced before numerous state and federal courts and administrative tribunals across the United States, has successfully handled several trials (jury and bench), arbitrations (including international), and mediations, and has resolved many business disputes prior to the initiation of litigation. Admitted to practice law in New York and California, she has been a Solicitor of the Supreme Court of England and Wales. Harmeet holds an A.B. in Classical Studies from Dartmouth College and a J.D. from the University of Virginia, where she was on the editorial board of the Virginia Law Review. She is the RNLA Vice President for Communications and a member of the RNLA Board of Governors.

Anni Foster

Anni L. Foster currently serves as the General Counsel for Arizona Governor Doug Ducey. Ms. Foster assumed this role in June, 2018, after serving as his Deputy General Counsel. Prior to her role in the Governor's Office, Ms. Foster served as the Executive Officer/Chief of Staff and General Counsel for the Arizona Department of Public Safety, Arizona's state law enforcement agency. Ms. Foster has also served as an Assistant Attorney General for the Arizona Attorney General's Office, representing the Department of Economic Security, Child Support Enforcement Division and the Department of Public Safety in the Transportation Section. Ms. Foster

has broad experience working in procurement, administrative, criminal, contract and constitutional law. She has counseled and trained law enforcement all across Arizona while also addressing regulatory issues related to public safety.

Ms. Foster holds a bachelor's degree (1999) in political science and economics from Mary Baldwin College in Staunton, Virginia and a juris doctorate (2004) from Gonzaga University School of Law in Spokane, Washington. She has been an associate member of the International Association of Chiefs of Police and a member of the Arizona Law Enforcement Legal Advisors Association. Ms. Foster has served on the board of the Maricopa County Bar Association and its Public Lawyers Division and maintains active membership with the Arizona State Bar Association and the Federalist Society.

Lindsey Graham

Lindsey Graham has earned a reputation as a conservative problem-solver and one of the strongest proponents of a robust national defense. Graham is also a leader in cutting spending, reforming entitlements, and getting government out of the way so businesses can create jobs. One national conservative organization called him a Taxpayer Hero who puts "the interests of the taxpayer ahead of politics by consistently voting to cut wasteful spending, reduce the tax burden, and make government more accountable to taxpayers."

Graham was elected to the United States Senate in 2002 and was re-elected in 2008 and 2014. He became the first person in South Carolina history to garner over one million votes in the 2008 general election. Graham currently serves as the Chairman of the Senate Judiciary Committee.

Before being elected to Congress, Graham compiled a distinguished record in the United States Air Force as he logged six-and-a-half years of service on active duty as an Air Force lawyer. From 1984-1988, he was assigned overseas and served at Rhein-Main Air Force Base in Germany. Upon leaving active duty Air Force in 1989, Graham joined the South Carolina Air National Guard where he served until 1995. During the first Gulf War in the early 90's, Graham was called to active duty and served state-side at McEntire Air National Guard Base as Staff Judge Advocate where he prepared members for deployment to the Gulf region.

He holds a B.A. and J.D. from the University of South Carolina.

Adam Gustafson

Adam Gustafson is a partner at Boyden Gray & Associates where he has represented States, federal judges, environmental groups, biofuel producers, agricultural interests, and public policy organizations, on such issues as the constitutional separation of powers, the First Amendment, automotive regulations, environmental computer models, healthcare regulation, and judicial deference to federal agencies.

Mr. Gustafson received his J.D. in 2009 from Yale Law School, where he was an editor of the Yale Law Journal, a managing editor of the Yale Journal of Law & the Humanities, and an executive editor of the symposium issue of the Harvard Journal of Law & Public Policy.

Before joining Boyden Gray & Associates, Mr. Gustafson was an associate at Cooper & Kirk, where he specialized in appellate litigation. Mr. Gustafson served as a law clerk to Judge Richard R. Clifton of the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Ninth Circuit, and to Judge Janice Rogers Brown of the U.S. Court of Appeals for the D.C. Circuit.

Kevin Hall

Kevin is a partner at Womble Bond Dickinson in Columbia, South Carolina. Kevin is a skilled commercial litigator and political law attorney whose practice intersects at the four corners of law, business, politics and public policy. He has represented Fortune 500 companies in high-stakes litigation and elected officials facing ethics charges, criminal prosecution, and/or impeachment and removal from political office. Kevin thrives on guiding clients through the most difficult business and political controversies they face. Kevin has successfully represented multiple statewide elected officials in cases in the original jurisdiction of the South Carolina Supreme Court, before legislative ethics committees, and in impeachment proceedings in the South Carolina House of Representatives.

Manuel Iglesias

Manuel E. Iglesias is the RNLA Chair and the Co-Chairman of the Board and a Director of Hygea Holdings Corp. He founded Hygea in 2007 and brings extensive legal, business and political experience to the company as well as background in business development and venture capital. As president and CEO, Iglesias is focused on expanding the company's reach geographically as well as expanding and integrating its portfolio of services. Before joining Hygea, Mr. Iglesias served as Director of the healthcare group at the law firm of Becker & Poliakoff and later was a member of the healthcare group at Ruden McClosky. He has an extensive background in financial services having specialized as an attorney in security and transactional law, was general counsel of a broker dealer, as well as having been president of a Small Business Investment Company (SBIC) as well as a HUD co-insurance mortgage lender.

He graduated from the University of Chicago earning both, a Juris Doctor and a master in Business Administration. Previously, Mr. Iglesias earned a bachelor in Foreign Service from Georgetown University.

Russell Latino

Russ is vice president of the economic opportunity portfolio at Americans for Prosperity. In this role, he oversees the Network's strategy on fiscal, regulatory, health care, and employment policy. Previously, he served as state director of the Americans for Prosperity chapter in Mississippi, leading successful efforts to implement tax reform, occupational licensing reform, and criminal justice reform. Prior to joining Americans for Prosperity, Russ practiced commercial and constitutional law for 10 years at the firm of Wells, Marble & Hurst. During his professional tenure in Mississippi, Russ was recognized as one of the "50 Most Influential People in Politics," one of "50 Leaders in Law," and a "Top 40 Under 40." He earned a bachelor's degree from Tulane University, where he majored in political science and history, and a law degree from the University of Mississippi School of Law. He and his wife, Anne Harlan, live in Haymarket, Virginia with their two children.

Larry Levy

Laurence A. Levy is RNLA General Counsel and is a shareholder at Greenberg Traurig. Larry focuses his practice on political law and campaign finance in both national and state matters. Additionally, Larry advises clients on regulatory matters before federal and state agencies; internal investigations; white collar defense; organization and operation of non-profit entities; cyber security; litigation; and ethics.

Prior to joining the firm Larry represented clients in the above fields in private practice, as well as serving as Chief Counsel to the Rudy Giuliani Presidential Committee, and as a Director and Counsel to Giuliani Partners, a security and business development firm. Larry served three New York City Mayors as Special Counsel and served as the Inspector General of the City's Law Department and Office of the Mayor. From 1997 through 2001, Larry was Deputy Counsel to Mayor Giuliani; in that capacity he was involved in all aspects of city governance, including economic development, emergency management, public safety, ethics, and crisis management. Larry graduated with a J.D., St. John's University School of Law, 1975 and a B.A., State University of New York at Stony Brook, 1969.

Chris Marston

Chris Marston provides financial and compliance services to Republican campaigns and party committees, conservative political action committees, tax exempt organizations, and corporate and trade association PACs. He founded Election CFO to provide these services in 2009 after serving as an assistant secretary of Education in the George W. Bush Administration. Marston volunteers as general counsel of the Republican Party of Virginia, a vice-president of the Republican National Lawyers Association, and chair of the Library of Virginia Foundation's 1823 Council. Marston earned his law degree from the Georgetown University Law Center and his undergraduate degree from Dartmouth College.

Marston resides in Alexandria, Virginia, where he served as chairman of the local Republican Party.

John MacIver

John MacIver currently serves as Deputy General Counsel in the Executive Office of Governor Ron DeSantis where he oversees the legal offices of Florida's executive branch health welfare and business regulatory agencies. John served in the same role throughout the second term of then-Governor now United States Senator

Rick Scott. John also served as the Director of Florida's Office of Fiscal Accountability and Regulatory Reform, a position housed within the Governor's Office of General Counsel. Prior to joining EOG, John worked as the rules attorney for Florida's Department of Business and Professional Regulation--it's primary business and professional licensing agency. Prior to law school John worked as a legislative assistant to the State Senator and now Congressman Bill Posey. He is a graduate of Northwestern University School of Law and the University of Central Florida.

Ashley Moody

Attorney General Ashley Moody, a fifth generation Floridian, was born and raised in Plant City, Florida. She attended the University of Florida where she earned her bachelors and masters degrees in accounting and juris doctorate. She later attended Stetson University College of Law earning a masters of law in international law. In 2018, she was elected the 38th Attorney General of Florida.

General Moody joined the United States Attorney's Office prosecuting drug, firearm, and fraud offenses. While a federal prosecutor, Ashley was commended by the DEA for prosecutorial excellence and outstanding initiative in drug law enforcement. She was also recognized by the Florida Department of Law Enforcement for her lead of "Operation Round-Up," a targeted prosecution of violent and repeat offenders.

In 2006, at the age of 31, General Moody became the youngest judge in Florida when she was elected Circuit Court Judge of the 13th Judicial Circuit in Hillsborough County. As a judge, she founded the Attorney Ad Litem program recruiting volunteer attorneys to stand in the place of parents who did not appear in court with their children. She also developed a mentoring program for at-risk children within the juvenile delinquency system.

Chris Pilkerton

Chris Pilkerton serves as the General Counsel for the U.S. Small Business Administration. Prior to his time with the SBA, Pilkerton was a compliance director at JP Morgan Chase, advising both the business and corporate functions on matters related to enterprise compliance risk and regulatory change management. While there, Pilkerton was named one of the "Heroes of the Fortune 500" by Fortune Magazine, in recognition of his efforts in support of orphans in Liberia impacted by ebola.

Pilkerton began his legal career as an Assistant District Attorney in Manhattan, working as a trial lawyer in both the Office of the Special Narcotics Prosecutor and the Office of Money Laundering and Tax Crimes. He later went on to become Senior Counsel at the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission, investigating numerous cases related to insider trading and accounting fraud. Pilkerton has since been a partner in two law firms, representing clients in various transactions and regulatory matters, as well as providing general counsel services to early stage companies and clients in the financial services industry. He has served on the Board of Directors of NASDAQ Futures, Inc. and was the Associate Director of the Law and Public Policy Program at the Catholic University of America Columbus School of Law.

Pilkerton was a Fulbright Teaching Scholar in Poland and holds a master's degree in public administration from Columbia University's School of International and Public Affairs. He earned his J.D. from the Catholic University of America, a bachelor's degree from Fairfield University, and a certificate in data analytics from Cornell University's College of Business. Pilkerton and his wife are certified foster parents for the District of Columbia.

Artie R. Pobjecky

Winter Haven Immigration Attorney Renee Pobjecky has represented her clients on a variety of immigration issues ranging from investment visas to family based immigration matters. She currently represents immigrants before the Immigration Courts in Orlando and Miami.

Renee is a graduate of the University of Central Florida with a Bachelor's of Arts degree in Political Science and minors in English and Business Administration. In 2001, she received her Juris Doctorate from Baylor University School of Law.

Renee is a member of the International Section of the American Bar Association and is active in the Winter Haven Women's Bar Association. She currently serves on the Board of Director's for the Polk County Florida

Rural Legal Services and was a 2006 and 2008 recipient of the Pro Bono Attorney Outstanding Participation Award from Florida Rural Legal Services and the Lakeland Bar Association.

Pete Robinson

Pete Robinson is a partner at King & Spalding and is one of the leading business and government relations advisors to Fortune 500 companies seeking to navigate state and federal government and maximize their potential. Clients benefit from Pete's government experience, his bipartisan relationships with decisionmakers at all levels of Georgia's government as well as Georgia's U.S. Congressional delegation, and his reputation as a top public policy lawyer. Pete served for 10 years in the Georgia General Assembly, ultimately serving as President Pro-Tem and as Majority Leader of the Georgia Senate. He is the only Senate President Pro-Tem to be nominated for that role by both the Republican and Democratic leaders of the Georgia Senate. Pete has a J.D., Mercer University Walter F. George School of Law, and a B.A., Emory University.

Charles Spies

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From 2003 to 2005, he served as the first assistant secretary for policy and planning at the U.S. Department of Homeland Security (DHS). Prior to his service at DHS, Verdery served as general counsel to Sen. Don Nickles (R-Okla.), Assistant Senate Majority Leader, from 1998 until 2002, and as counsel to Chairman Orrin Hatch (R-Utah) on the Senate Judiciary Committee and directed the committee's crime unit. In addition, while at the Senate Committee on Rules and Administration from 1996-1998, he worked for Chairman John Warner (R-Va.), investigating the contested Louisiana Senate election.

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David is recognized as one of the leading Republican lawyers in the nation. As General Counsel for the Ron Paul 2012 Presidential Campaign Committee he led the legal team for the \$45 million 50-state campaign and led the legal team that fought the delegate challenges and Rules contest on behalf of Ron Paul delegates at the 2012 Republican National Convention in Tampa, Florida. He has been called the "Lawyer to the Liberty Movement."

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