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***CURRICULUM VITAE***

**PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE**

**Stated United Democracy Center**

Co-Founder and Executive Chair

1101 17th St NW, Suite 250, Washington, DC, 20036

2021-Present

Along with Co-Chair Gov. Christine Todd Whitman, leads a bipartisan organization dedicated to advancing free, fair, and secure elections by connecting state officials, law enforcement leaders, and pro-democracy partners across America with the tools and expertise they need to safeguard our democracy. Provides advice on strategic and legal matters and co-chairs the organization’s fiduciary board.

**The Brookings Institution**

Senior Fellow, Governance Studies

1775 Massachusetts Ave NW, Washington, DC 20036

September 2014–Present (Visiting Fellow through 12/2016; Fellow through 6/2017)

Author of *Overcoming Trumpery: How to Restore Ethics, the Rule of Law, and Democracy* (Brookings Institution Press 2022); *A Case for the American People: The United States v. Donald J. Trump* (Crown 2020); *The Last Palace: Europe’s Turbulent Century in Five Lives and One Legendary House* (Crown 2018); *Democracy’s Defenders: U.S. Embassy Prague, the Fall of Communism in Czechoslovakia, and its* *Aftermath* (Brookings Institution Press 2020); and numerous reports and other writings. Project chair and principal investigator of “Leveraging Transparency to Reduce Corruption,” a five-year global study examining transparency, accountability, and participation (TAP) mechanisms, along with their contextual factors, in the extractives industry. Convene and lead dialogues at Brookings with diplomatic, government, business, and nonprofit leaders from the United States and Europe. Speak before government bodies and other audiences on governance issues domestically and internationally, including regarding legislation, regulation, and policy formation. Regularly author op-eds in such outlets as the *New York Times* and the *Washington Post* and appear on television and radio to present transatlantic relations and governance issues to the general public.

**Committee on the Judiciary of the U.S. House of Representatives**

Special Counsel

2138 Rayburn House Office Building, Washington, DC 20515

February 2019–February 2020

Counsel for oversight and policy issues within the Committee’s jurisdiction, including the investigation, impeachment and trial of President Donald Trump.

**Progressive State Leaders Committee Voter Protection Program**

Outside Counsel

1350 I St NW, Suite 300, Washington, DC 20005

Counsel for new 501(c)4 election-protection program with bipartisan law-enforcement focus.

**Citizens for Responsibility and Ethics in Washington (CREW)**

1101 K St NW, Washington, DC 20005

Board Chair 2016–February 2019; Co-Founder, 2001–2003

Formulated concept for a progressive, nonpartisan government watchdog litigation group. Developed initial organizational and litigation strategy and raised seed funding. Conducted search for founding executive director and board; and advised them once they were in place. Organization has gone on to emerge as a leader in the field, including in investigations of Tom Delay, Jack Ambramoff, the Bush Administration CIA leak investigation (including representing Valerie Plame) and Trump emoluments litigation. Upon 2016 return as board chair, oversaw more than 300 legal actions, including serving as co-counsel to the Attorneys General of DC and Maryland in their Emoluments case against Donald Trump; helped lead the push for the recusal of Attorney General Sessions and the appointment of Special Counsel Mueller.

**CNN**

Legal Analyst

820 First St NE, Washington, DC 20002

January 2021–Present

Political Commentator

820 First St NE, Washington, DC 20002

March 2017–February 2019

Provided on-air analysis of ethics and other U.S. legal issues. Also addressed international relations and diplomacy matters. Appeared both on CNN and CNN International.

**Embassy of the United States of America**

U.S. Ambassador to the Czech Republic

Trziste 15, Prague, Czech Republic

January 2011–August 2014

Restored bilateral relations, which were at a post-Iron Curtain low upon arrival at post. Reinvigorated the U.S. strategic partnership with the Czechs, including by helping secure a 25% increase in Czech defense spending after years of declines and by gaining vigorous Czech support in response to Russian aggression in Ukraine. Partnered with Czechs to lead new NATO initiatives, including establishing a multilateral helicopter-training center cited by NATO as a leading example of its Smart Defense program. Reenergized bilateral commercial ties, including by leading an increase in bilateral trade by over 50% to $6 billion per year, more than triple the average increase for U.S. embassies in the EU during that time. Helped develop transformative Czech-led anti- corruption campaign. Used credibility as former White House “Ethics Czar” to speak out publicly against corrupt practices, personally trained and mentored police, prosecutors, judges and civil society activists, and brought dozens of experts from the U.S. and around the world to Prague to participate in capacity-building programs. Helped Czech anti-corruption NGOs forge a joint platform, then facilitated their partnership with the business community. Supported Czech civil society in targeting discrimination and promoting equality. Fought against anti-Semitism and for Holocaust remembrance, including through revitalizing the USG-funded European Shoah Legacy Institute (ESLI) headquartered in Prague. Advocated for rights of Czech Roma minority, overseeing joint Embassy-business internship program for Roma students. Implemented four-year strategy to help improve public perceptions of LGBT community, starting with helping launch first ever Prague Pride in 2011.

**The White House**

Office of the White House Counsel

Special Assistant to the President and Special Counsel to the President for Ethics and Government Reform

The White House, Washington, DC 20005

January 2009–January 2011

Led the Obama administration’s landmark initiatives on government ethics, lobbying regulation and transparency. Dubbed “Mr. No” and “the Ethics Czar” by the media for designing and

implementing stringent compliance and vetting program. Principal drafter of executive order establishing new ethics limits, including first-ever “reverse revolving-door” restrictions. White

House Counsel lead on Hatch Act and political law issues, including *Citizens United* response, and on Administration’s open government efforts, including FOIA policy, release of White House visitor records, development of comprehensive open government plans by all executive agencies, and EO’s reforming classification categories and processes. Served as chief White House lawyer on whistleblower protection, including working with NGO community and Congress on legislation while helping address particular cases. Represented White House Counsel’s Office on the interagency group that produced the administration’s blueprint for the Dodd-Frank financial regulatory reform. Provided legal advice within White House on other aspects of 2009 economic recovery package, including the stimulus and the rescues of the auto and finance industries.

**Obama-Biden Transition Project/Office of the President-Elect**

Deputy General Counsel

451 6th St NW, Washington, DC 20001

November 2008–January 2009

Provided ethics training for President-Elect, Vice-President Elect, their spouses and other senior officials, as well as all members of transition teams. Also trained and vetted Cabinet members and other nominees and appointees, and assisted with administration’s policy development process regarding ethics, transparency and reform issues, translating campaign promises into action. Principal liaison with OGE, engaged with Bush White House on transition issues, and consulted with incoming White House Counsel on formation and organization of Counsel’s Office. Provided general legal advice on contracts, employment, and records management. Advised on education policy, continuing role from campaign as a member of education policy team and co-chair of its working group that produced higher education policy.

**Zuckerman Spaeder LLP**

Partner

1800 M St NW, 10th Fl., Washington, DC 20036

September 1991–January 2009 (Associate through 1999; on leave 11/2008–01/2009)

Handled nationally-significant white-collar investigations and complex litigation on behalf of both plaintiffs and defendants. Representative engagements included the [*Enron* and](http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Enron) *Refco* cases, the *Wall Street Analyst (Jack Grubman)* matter and the *Archer Daniels Midland* antitrust case. Also advised clients in investigations of alleged political misconduct, including the Monica Lewinsky matter, the Packwood diaries case and the Congressional investigation of the Teamsters. Launched and co- chaired the firm’s Public Client Practice, representing governmental entities on an array of matters, including the first major investigation and settlement by government entities in the subprime financial collapse. Advised the Government of Mexico on strategies to fight civil rights abuses of undocumented migrants by officials and private individuals throughout the United States. Handled election law disputes, including in connection with the recount in Florida in the aftermath of the 2000 presidential election, and in Ohio following the 2004 presidential election. Maintained an active *pro bono* practice, including civil rights and death penalty litigation. Twice named by *Washingtonian* as being among the city’s top lawyers.

**Kids Computer Workshop**

Co-Founder and Board Member

Washington, DC

February 1998–January 2009

Conceived and launched non-profit after-school program to bridge the digital divide by providing internet and IT training to at-risk primary and secondary school students in the Washington, DC area. Raised initial funding and led search for full-time executive director. Developed curriculum, taught classes to and mentored youth participants, and served on Board in various capacities.

**Judge (now Associate Justice) Steven Breyer**

Research Assistant

Harvard Law School, 1563 Massachusetts Ave, Cambridge, MA 02138

January 1991–June 1991 (approx.)

Research assistant for new edition of then-Judge Breyer’s casebook *Administrative Law and*

*Regulatory Policy.*

**Professor Phillip Heymann**

Research Assistant

Harvard Law School, 1563 Massachusetts Ave, Cambridge, MA 02138

September 1990–December 1990 (approx.)

Research assistant for investigation of professional football player misconduct conducted for the

National Football League.

**Hale & Dorr (now known as Wilmer Hale)**

Summer Associate

60 State Street, Boston, MA 02109

June 1990–August 1990

Wrote memoranda and provided other assistance on variety of legal matters.

**Professor Alan Dershowitz**

Research Assistant

Harvard Law School, 1563 Massachusetts Ave, Cambridge, MA 02138

June 1989–September 1989

Assisted with appeal of Jonathan Pollard case and with research for Professor Dershowitz’ book

*Chutzpah.*

**Anti-Defamation League**

Assistant Director

10495 Santa Monica Blvd, Los Angeles, CA 90025-5031

September 1985–August 1988

Worked with government officials and law enforcement to investigate and otherwise respond to allegations of civil rights misconduct. Advocated for U.S.-Israel ties. Worked with educational institutions on issues relating to tolerance, Israel, and the Holocaust.

**EDUCATION**

Harvard Law School, 1991, J.D, *cum laude*

Brown University, 1985, A.B, *magna cum laude*

**HONORS AND AWARDS**

Brown Democracy Medal, Pennsylvania State University, 2022 (recognizing the States United Democracy Center’s contribution to American governance)

Terezín Legacy Award, Terezín Music Foundation, 2019 (honoring service as U.S. Ambassador to the Czech Republic, and ongoing commitment to cultural exchange)

Faculty Medal, Czech Technical University, 2014 (in recognition of conceiving and launching U.S.–Czech Civil Nuclear Cooperation Center at CTU)

Law School Medal, Charles University, 2014 (acknowledging frequent guest lectures and other support of the law school from 2011–14)

Nominee, Sue Cobb Award for Outstanding Non-Career Ambassador, U.S. Department of State,

2013 and 2014

Honorary Doctorate, American Jewish University, 2012 (Commencement Speaker)

Special Award from transparency, government reform and whistleblower organizations, Washington, DC, 2011 (for White House service on those issues)

Washington’s Top Lawyers, Washingtonian Magazine, 2007

Washington’s Top Lawyers, Washingtonian Magazine, 2004

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*The Last Palace: Europe’s Turbulent Century in Five Lives and One Legendary House* (New York: Crown 2018)*.* Tells the story of liberalism and illiberalism through the lives of the people who preceded me in my ambassadorial residence in Prague: its Jewish builder, Nazi occupier, post- WWII American savior, and Cold War movie star-ambassador. Interwoven throughout is the story of my mother, a Czech Holocaust survivor who sent me back to Prague to live in the palace once occupied by the Nazis—and was my best advisor as I took on their modern-day

successors. Published or forthcoming in 2019-20 in the United Kingdom, Germany,

Italy, Netherlands, Czech Republic, Brazil and Israel.

***Book Chapters***

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<https://www.brookings.edu/research/the-brookings-sanctions-tracker/>.

“Trump on Trial: A Model Prosecution Memo for Federal Election Interference Crimes: Second Edition,” Norman L. Eisen, Noah Bookbinder, Donald Ayer, Joshua Stanton, E. Danya Perry, Debra Perlin, Kayvan Farchadi and Jason Powell, Just Security, July 2023.

<https://www.justsecurity.org/87236/trump-on-trial-a-model-prosecution-memo-for-federal-election-interference-crimes/>.

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<https://www.justsecurity.org/84168/mar-a-lago-model-prosecution-memo/>.

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Democracy 21 Education Fund, Board Member, December 2021 – Present

Citizens for Responsibility and Ethics in Washington (CREW), Board Chair, December 2016–

February 2019

U.S. Holocaust Memorial Council (USHMM) (presidentially-appointed; oversees U.S. Holocaust

Memorial Museum), May 2016–October 2019

American Friends of the Czech Republic, September 2014–February 2020

**ORGANIZATIONAL AFFILIATIONS**

Transatlantic Democracy Working Group, co-chair, September 2018-Present

American Law Institute, Principles of the Law, Government Ethics project, Adviser, October 2018- Present

Aleph Institute, Advisory Board Member (non-fiduciary), 2015-January 2019

Forum 2000, International Advisory Council Member (non-fiduciary), 2015-Present

Aspen Institute Prague, International Advisory Board Member (non-fiduciary), January 2012–

approximately January 2015

American Chamber of Commerce, Prague, Czech Republic, Honorary Chair (non-fiduciary advisory role), April 2011–August 2014

International Corporate Governance Network (ICGN), Member, June 2010–December 2013

Edward Bennett Williams Inn of Court, Member (Barrister), September 2009–December 2015

Obama for America, volunteer (including Member, Education Policy Group; Member, National Finance Committee; Co-Chair, DC Jewish Community Leadership Committee), January 2007– November 2008

United States Supreme Court Bar, Member, October 2005–Present

Kerry-Edwards 2004, volunteer attorney, September 2004–November 2004

United States District Court for the District of Columbia Bar, Member, February 1993-Present

District of Columbia Circuit Court of Appeals Bar, Member, January 1993-Present

District of Columbia Bar, Member, November 1992–Present

United States District Court for the District of Maryland Bar, Member, March 1992-Present

American Bar Association, Member, September 1992–2014; co-chaired ABA WCC Subcommittee on Parallel Proceedings from 2004–2005 and periodically advised the ABA regarding issues of prosecutorial ethics throughout the 1990’s.

Maryland State Bar, Member, December 1991–Present

**FOREIGN LANGUAGUES**

Czech, Hebrew, Spanish