



# The Fight for Free Speech: Ten Cases That Define Our First Amendment Freedoms

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**Thursday, April 15, 2021, 7:00 PM Central**  
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Americans today are confronted by a barrage of questions relating to their free speech freedoms. What are libel laws, and do they need to be changed to stop the press from lying? Does Colin Kaepernick have the right to take a knee? Can *Saturday Night Live* be punished for parody? While people are grappling with these questions, they generally have nowhere to turn to learn about the extent of their First Amendment rights.

*The Fight for Free Speech: Ten Cases That Define Our First Amendment Freedoms* answers this call with an accessible, engaging user's guide to free speech. Media lawyer **Ian Rosenberg** distills the spectrum of free speech law down to ten critical issues. Each chapter in this book focuses on a contemporary free speech question—from student walkouts for gun safety to Samantha Bee's expletives, from Nazis marching in Charlottesville to the muting of adult film star Stormy Daniels—and then identifies, unpacks, and explains the key Supreme Court case that provides the answers. Together these fascinating stories create a practical framework for understanding where our free speech protections originated and how they can develop in the future.

Mr. Rosenberg has over twenty years of experience as a media lawyer, and he has worked as legal counsel for ABC News since 2003. He graduated with distinction from the University of Wisconsin–Madison, and *magna cum laude* from Cornell Law School. Mr. Rosenberg began his legal career clerking for a United States district court judge in the Eastern District of New York, and then working as a litigation associate at Cahill Gordon & Reindel.

Mr. Rosenberg will be in conversation with **Michael Signer, Ph.D.**, an author and practicing attorney who served as mayor of Charlottesville, Virginia from 2016 – 2018. He is the author of three books, most recently, *Cry Havoc: Charlottesville and American Democracy under Siege*. He has written for *The New York Times*, *Washington Post*, and *Time* and has been interviewed by *Meet the Press*, *Face the Nation*, and NPR. He has been profiled by *The New York Times*, *Washington Post*, and CNN.

Mr. Signer holds a Ph.D. in political science from University of California, Berkeley, a J.D. from the University of Virginia School of Law, and graduated *magna cum laude* from Princeton University. He has received awards from organizations including the Anti-Defamation League and the Matthew Shepard Foundation.

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