A Bridge Builder and Trailblazer: Celebrating Justice Sandra Day O’Connor

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AGENDA
Subject to Change

12:30 PM Registration Opens

1:15 PM Program Begins with Welcome Video

1:20 PM – 1:25 PM Welcome Remarks: Mr. John Heubusch, Executive Director of the Ronald Reagan Presidential Foundation and Institute

1:25 PM – 1:30 PM Introduction to Panel 1: Mr. Theodore B. Olson, Partner, Gibson, Dunn & Crutcher; Trustee, Ronald Reagan Presidential Foundation and Institute

1:35 PM – 2:35 PM PANEL 1 – The Road to Being First
This panel will focus on the factors that led to the appointment of the first woman on the Supreme Court (FWOTSC), including the context and the players of the 1980 campaign and the Reagan Presidency. It will also focus on the woman herself and the unique qualifications, characteristics, and values that made her the FWOTSC, paving the way for the remarkable women that followed.

Moderator: Ms. Dahlia Lithwick, Senior Editor, Slate
Confirmed Panelists:
- Mr. Evan Thomas, Biographer, Author of First
- Mr. Jay O’Connor, Managing Principal, Silver Tree Associates; Governing Board of iCivics
- Mr. Edwin Meese III, Ronald Reagan Distinguished Fellow Emeritus, The Heritage Foundation

2:40 PM – 2:45 PM Introduction to Panel 2: Mr. Larry Kramer, President, William and Flora Hewlett Foundation

2:50 PM – 4:00 PM PANEL 2 – First-hand
The panel will focus on the historic decisions of Justice O’Connor as told through the lens of her former law clerks, who have gone on to illustrious careers. They will account for the historic decisions as only they saw it - firsthand.

Moderator: Mr. Jeffrey Rosen, President and CEO, National Constitution Center
Part I (2:50 PM – 3:25 PM):
- Ms. Marci Hamilton, Founder and CEO, CHILD USA; Robert A. Fox Leadership Program Professor of Practice, University of Pennsylvania
Part II (3:25 PM – 4:00 PM):
- Ms. Allyson Ho, Partner, Gibson, Dunn & Crutcher
- Mr. Viet Dinh, Chief Legal and Policy Officer, Fox Corporation
- Ms. Theane Evangelis, Partner, Gibson, Dunn & Crutcher

4:05 PM – 4:10 PM  Introduction to Panel 3:  Mr. Roger I. Zakheim, Director, Ronald Reagan Institute

4:10 PM – 5:10 PM  PANEL 3 – The Lasting Legacy
This panel will focus on the legacy Justice Sandra Day O’Connor left, her tenure, the enduring impact of her decisions, and her career post-tenure dedicated to reviving active citizenship in America.

Moderator:  Ms. Nina Totenberg, NPR Correspondent
Confirmed Panelists:
- Ms. Meryl Justin Chertoff, Executive Director, The Aspen Institute Justice and Society Program
- Ms. Kathleen Smalley, Of Counsel, Foley & Lardner; Governing Board of iCivics
- Ms. Linda Hirshman, Author of Sisters in Law
- The Honorable Ruth V. McGregor, Former Chief Justice, Arizona Supreme Court
- Dr. Carla Hayden, Librarian of Congress

5:10 PM – 5:35 PM  Intermission

5:40 PM – 5:45 PM  Introduction to Closing Plenary:  Mr. Frederick J. Ryan, Jr., Chairman of the Board of Trustees, Ronald Reagan Presidential Foundation and Institute

5:45 PM – 6:45 PM  Closing Plenary

Moderator:  Mr. Theodore B. Olson, Partner, Gibson, Dunn & Crutcher; Trustee, Ronald Reagan Presidential Foundation and Institute

Confirmed Panelists:
- The Honorable Ruth Bader Ginsburg, Associate Justice, U.S. Supreme Court
- The Honorable Sonia Sotomayor, Associate Justice, U.S. Supreme Court