

Member Biographic Summaries

Michael Barnett

*Harold Stassen Chair of International Relations, Humphrey Institute of Public Affairs
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Michael Barnett is the Harold Stassen Chair of International Relations at the Humphrey Institute and professor of political science at the University of Minnesota. He also directs a Luce Foundation project on “Religion, Humanitarianism, and World Order,” which has held workshops in Cairo and Geneva. In 1993-94 he was a Council on Foreign Relations International Affairs Fellow and served at the U.S. Mission to the United Nations, where he advised on peacekeeping operations, including Rwanda.

Henry Bienen

*President Emeritus
Northwestern University*

Henry S. Bienen served as the fifteenth president of Northwestern University from 1994 to 2009. Mr. Bienen was the James S. McDonnell Distinguished University Professor and dean of the Woodrow Wilson School of Public and International Affairs at Princeton University prior to his appointment at Northwestern. Mr. Bienen began his association with Princeton University in 1966, earning the positions of William Stewart Tod Professor of Politics and International Affairs at Princeton in 1981 and the James S. McDonnell Distinguished University Professor in 1985.

José Casanova

*Professor of Sociology and Senior Fellow, Berkley Center for Religion, Peace, & World Affairs
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José Casanova is professor of sociology at Georgetown University and senior fellow at Georgetown’s Berkley Center for Religion, Peace, & World Affairs. He moved to Georgetown from the New School, where he served as professor of sociology from 1987 to 2007. He is a leading authority on religion and world affairs and has published widely on sociological theory, migration, and globalization.

Bob Edgar

President and Chief Executive Officer

Common Cause

In May 2007 Bob Edgar was named president and CEO of Common Cause, a national nonpartisan, nonprofit “citizens” lobby. He was the general secretary of the National Council of the Churches of Christ in the USA for seven years before arriving at Common Cause and previously served in the U.S. Congress for six terms. He is also a past president of the Claremont School of Theology.

Virgil Elizondo

Professor of Pastoral and Hispanic Theology and Fellow, Institute for

Latino Studies and Kellogg Institute

University of Notre Dame

Father Virgil Elizondo is professor of pastoral and Hispanic theology at the University of Notre Dame. Father Elizondo has been a visiting professor at various major universities and pastoral institutes throughout the United States and the world and is considered a leading interpreter of U.S. Latino religion by the national and international media. In 1997 he received the Laetare Medal, the highest honor of the University of Notre Dame.

Jean Bethke Elshtain

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Jean Elshtain is currently the Thomas and Dorothy Leavey Chair in the Foundations of American Freedom at Georgetown University, a three-year visiting appointment in the Department of Government, in addition to her permanent position at the University of Chicago. She is also a senior fellow in residence at Georgetown’s Berkley Center for Religion, Peace, & World Affairs. In 2006 she was appointed to the Council of the National Endowment for the Humanities. She taught at the University of Massachusetts-Amherst and Vanderbilt University before joining the faculty at the University of Chicago in 1996.

Thomas F. Farr

Visiting Associate Professor and Senior Fellow, Berkley Center for

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Thomas F. Farr is visiting associate professor of religion and international affairs at Georgetown University’s School of Foreign Service and a senior fellow at Georgetown’s Berkley Center for Religion,

Peace, & World Affairs, where he directs the Religion and Foreign Policy program. Farr was the U.S. State Department's first director of the Office of International Religious Freedom and is a recipient of the Jan Karski Wellspring of Freedom Award for his contributions to religious freedom.

Frederick Mark Gedicks

*Guy Anderson Chair and Professor of Law
Brigham Young University*

Frederick Mark Gedicks is Guy Anderson Chair and Professor of Law at the J. Reuben Clark Law School of Brigham Young University, where he teaches constitutional law. Professor Gedicks has published and lectured widely in the United States and Europe on religion and its place in the American constitutional and social order.

Kent Greenawalt

*University Professor
Columbia Law School*

Kent Greenawalt is University Professor at Columbia Law School. Professor Greenawalt served as a law clerk of Justice John M. Harlan of the U.S. Supreme Court and as a special assistant in the Agency for International Development. In 1971-72 he was deputy solicitor general of the United States. In the past decade he has concentrated on issues of religious freedom and disestablishment of religion as well as the place of religion in public political life.

Ken Hackett

*President
Catholic Relief Services*

Ken Hackett has been president of Catholic Relief Services (CRS) since 1993. Prior to becoming president, he was the regional director for Africa, guiding CRS' response to the Ethiopian famine of 1984-85 and the crisis in Somalia in the early 1990s. Mr. Hackett was the North America president of Caritas Internationalis and in 2004 was named a Knight Commander of the Papal Order of Saint Gregory the Great, one of the highest papal honors. From 2004 to 2009 Mr. Hackett served on the board of directors of the Millennium Challenge Corporation.

William Inboden

Senior Vice President

Legatum Institute

William Inboden is senior vice president of the Legatum Institute. He has served as senior director for strategic planning on the National Security Council and worked at the U.S. Department of State as a member of the policy planning staff and a special advisor in the Office of International Religious Freedom. Mr. Inboden also worked on drafting and negotiating the passage of the International Religious Freedom Act of 1998.

Martin Indyk

Vice President and Director of Foreign Policy

The Brookings Institution

Martin S. Indyk is the director of the Saban Center for Middle East Policy and senior fellow in the Foreign Policy program at the Brookings Institution. Dr. Indyk served two tours in Israel as ambassador and as special assistant to President Clinton. He also served as senior director of Near East and South Asian Affairs at the National Security Council. Before entering government service, Dr. Indyk served as founding executive director of the Washington Institute for Near East Policy.

Douglas Johnston

President

International Center for Religion and Diplomacy

Douglas M. Johnston is president and founder of the International Center for Religion and Diplomacy. He has served in senior positions in government, business, the military, and academia, including six years at Harvard University, where he taught international affairs and was founder and director of the university's Executive Program in National and International Security. His most recent assignment was as executive vice president and chief operating officer of the Center for Strategic and International Studies.

Katherine Marshall

*Senior Fellow and Visiting Professor, Berkley Center for Religion,
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Georgetown University

Katherine Marshall is a senior fellow at Georgetown University's Berkley Center for Religion, Peace, & World Affairs and visiting professor in the Government Department and the School of

Foreign Service. She is also executive director of the World Faiths Development Dialogue. Ms. Marshall has close to four decades of experience on development issues, including a career with the World Bank (1971 to 2006), where she continues to work as a senior advisor.

Radwan A. Masmoudi

President

Center for the Study of Islam and Democracy

Radwan A. Masmoudi is the president of the Center for the Study of Islam and Democracy (CSID), a Washington-based nonprofit organization dedicated to promoting freedom, democracy, and good governance in the Arab/Muslim world as well as to improving relations between the United States and the Muslim world. In 1998 Mr. Radwan founded and incorporated CSID and became its full-time president in 2002. He is also the editor-in-chief of the center's quarterly publication, *Muslim Democrat*.

Ruth Messinger

Executive Director

American Jewish World Service

Ruth W. Messinger is president of American Jewish World Service. She served for twelve years on the New York City Council and eight as Manhattan borough president. She was the first woman to secure the Democratic Party's nomination for mayor in 1997. In 2006, in recognition of her work to end the genocide in Darfur, Sudan, she received the Jewish Council for Public Affairs' prestigious Albert D. Chernin Award. Ms. Messinger is also a visiting professor at Hunter College.

Abner J. Mikva

Schwartz Lecturer Emeritus and Former Senior Director, Mandel

Legal Aid Clinic

The University of Chicago Law School

Abner J. Mikva is Schwartz Lecturer emeritus and former senior director at the Edwin F. Mandel Legal Aid Clinic of the University of Chicago Law School. He served as White House counsel from October 1, 1994, until November 1, 1995. Prior to his appointment, he served as chief judge on the United States Court of Appeals for the District of Columbia Circuit. Before coming to the bench, Judge Mikva was elected to Congress for five terms, representing portions of Chicago and its suburbs. He started his political career in 1956 in the Illinois House of Representatives, where he served five consecutive terms and served as chairman of the House Judiciary Committee. Judge

Mikva received his law degree from the University of Chicago in 1951 and was a law clerk to United States Supreme Court Justice Sherman Minton. After his clerkship he returned to Illinois, where he entered the practice of law, becoming a partner of the late Justice Arthur Goldberg. He presented several constitutional cases to the U.S. Supreme Court. Judge Mikva has taught courses at the law schools of Northwestern University, Duke University, Georgetown University, the University of Pennsylvania, American University, the University of Chicago, and the University of Illinois. He is the coauthor of a political science text, *The American Congress: The First Branch*. He was a founding member and serves on the advisory board of the American Constitution Society. He and his wife, Zoe, helped to found the Mikva Challenge, which inspires Chicago high school students to participate in elections and civic activities, develop leadership skills, and delve into complicated issues of public policy that affect their lives.

Dalia Mogahed

*Senior Analyst and Executive Director
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Dalia Mogahed is a senior analyst and executive director of the Gallup Center for Muslim Studies. Ms. Mogahed directs the Muslim-West Facts Initiative and is a member of the Women in International Security. In addition, she serves on the leadership group of the Project on U.S. Engagement with the Global Muslim Community and is a member of the Crisis in the Middle East Task Force of the Brookings Institution.

Emile Nakhleh

Independent Consultant

Emile Nakhleh was a senior intelligence service officer and director of the political Islam strategic analysis program in the Directorate of Intelligence at the Central Intelligence Agency. Previously, he was chief of the regional analysis unit in the Office of Near Eastern and South Asian Analysis. Prior to joining the CIA, he taught for twenty-six years and was the John L. Morrison Professor of International Studies at Mount St. Mary's University. Dr. Nakhleh is a member of the Council on Foreign Relations.

David Neff

*Editor-in-Chief and Editorial Vice President
Christianity Today International*

David Neff is editor-in-chief and vice president of the Christianity Today Media Group. Before coming to *Christianity Today*, he edited *HIS*, InterVarsity Christian Fellowship's magazine for college students. Mr. Neff serves on the executive committee of the board of the National Association of Evangelicals. He has previously served on the boards of the Association of Theological Schools, Bread for the World, and Evangelicals for Middle East Understanding.

Eboo Patel

*Founder and Executive Director
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Eboo Patel is the founder and executive director of Interfaith Youth Core. He serves on the Religious Advisory Committee of the Council on Foreign Relations and the National Committee of the Aga Khan Foundation USA. Dr. Patel is a Young Global Leader in the World Economic Forum, an Ashoka Fellow, and was named as one of ten young Muslim visionaries shaping Islam in America. He is author of *Acts of Faith* and writes a featured blog on religion for the Washington Post.

Edward Perkins

*William J. Crowe Chair in Geopolitics, Emeritus
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Edward J. Perkins is the William J. Crowe Chair emeritus of the International Programs Center at the University of Oklahoma's School of International and Area Studies. Prior to that, Dr. Perkins had a distinguished career as a diplomat, including positions as U.S. ambassador to the United Nations, the Commonwealth of Australia, Liberia, and the Republic of South Africa. Dr. Perkins also served as director general of the Foreign Service and director of personnel in the Department of State.

Gerard Powers

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Gerard Powers is director of Catholic Peacebuilding Studies for the Joan B. Kroc Institute for International Peace Studies and coordinator of the Catholic Peacebuilding Network. He has served as director

of the Office of International Justice and Peace of the U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops and was a foreign policy advisor in the same office. Mr. Powers writes on religion and U.S. foreign policy, the right to self-determination, the role of religion in conflict and peacebuilding, and the ethics of war.

Asifa Quraishi

Assistant Professor of Law

University of Wisconsin Law School

Asifa Quraishi specializes in Islamic law and legal theory at the University of Wisconsin Law School. She has served as a judicial law clerk in the U.S. District Court for the Eastern District of California. Dr. Quraishi is a founding member of the National Association of Muslim Lawyers and its sister organization, Muslim Advocates, as well as serving on the governing boards of the *Journal of Law and Religion*, the Section on Islamic Law for the Association of American Law Schools, and the Lubar Institute for the Study of Abrahamic Religions at the University of Wisconsin.

George Rupp

President and Chief Executive Officer

International Rescue Committee

George Rupp is the president and chief executive officer of the International Rescue Committee (IRC), overseeing the agency's relief and rehabilitation operations around the world and its refugee resettlement and assistance programs throughout the United States. Before joining the IRC, Dr. Rupp was president of Columbia University and has served as president of Rice University. Before going to Rice, Dr. Rupp was the John Lord O'Brien Professor of Divinity and dean of the Harvard Divinity School.

Rabbi David Saperstein

Director

Religious Action Center of Reform Judaism

Rabbi David Saperstein is the director of the Religious Action Center of Reform Judaism. During his tenure as director, he has headed several national religious coalitions and serves on the boards of numerous national organizations. In 1999 Rabbi Saperstein was elected as the first chair of the U.S. Commission on International Religious Freedom created by Congress. Rabbi Saperstein also teaches seminars in both First Amendment church-state law and in Jewish law at Georgetown University Law School.

Father Donald Senior

President

Catholic Theological Union

Rev. Donald Senior, C.P., is president of the Catholic Theological Union in Chicago, where he is also a member of the faculty as professor of New Testament. He is immediate past president of the Association of Theological School of the United States and Canada and an appointed member of the Pontifical Biblical Commission. Father Senior also serves on the executive committee of the Council of Religious Leaders of Metropolitan Chicago.

Timothy Samuel Shah

Senior Research Scholar, Institute on Culture, Religion, and World Affairs, Boston University

Joseph R. Crapa Fellow, U.S. Commission on International Religious Freedom

Timothy Shah became a senior research scholar with Boston University's Institute on Culture Religion and World Affairs in 2007 after holding senior positions at the Council on Foreign Relations and the Pew Forum on Religion & Public Life. In 2010 he is among the first Joseph R. Crapa Fellows with the U.S. Commission on International Religious Freedom. With Daniel Philpott and Monica Toft, he is coauthor of the forthcoming *God's Century: Resurgent Religion and Global Politics* (W.W. Norton, 2011).

Peter Steinfels

Codirector

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Peter Steinfels is an author, University Professor at Fordham University, and codirector of the Fordham Center on Religion and Culture. From 1988 to 1997 he was the senior religion correspondent of *The New York Times*, and he continued to write a biweekly column on religion and ethics for the paper until January 2010. Among his publications are *Neoconservatives: The Men Who Are Changing America's Politics* (1979) and *A People Adrift: The Crisis of the Roman Catholic Church in America* (2003). He has been a visiting professor of history at Georgetown University, of American studies at Notre Dame, and of religious studies at the University of Dayton.

Karin von Hippel

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Karin von Hippel is codirector of the CSIS Post-Conflict Reconstruction Project and senior fellow with the CSIS International Security Program. Previously, she was a senior research fellow at the Centre for Defence Studies, King's College London, and spent several years working for the United Nations and the European Union in Somalia and Kosovo. Dr. von Hippel has also advised the Organization for Economic Cooperation and Development on the role of development cooperation in discovering the root causes of terrorism.