

THE INTERNET

SESSION SCHEDULE

SESSION #1 OCCUPATIONAL LICENSING

Lee McGrath

June 8th

Did you know that, depending on the state, you need the government's permission to operate a business as a florist, a barber, or an interior designer? Learn about the economic impact of occupational licenses and whether they fulfill their professed purpose of keeping the public safe.



Lee McGrath serves as Legislative Counsel at the Institute for Justice, where he litigates constitutional cases protecting economic and individual liberty. He is a nationally known expert on state occupational licensing.

SESSION #2 HEALTH POLICY 101

Michael Cannon
Tarren Bragdon

June 15th

Obamacare, Medicare, Medicaid — what are all of these programs and are they actually helping us stay healthy? Learn about how the government is involved in the healthcare industry and what that means for consumers.



Michael Cannon is the director of health policy studies at the Cato Institute. He has been described as the Affordable Care Act's "single most relentless antagonist" and the "intellectual father" of King v. Burwell.



Tarren Bragdon is the president and CEO of the Foundation for Government Accountability and a nationally-recognized health reform expert. He was previously the CEO of the Maine Heritage Policy Center and, before that, Maine's youngest-ever state lawmaker.

SESSION #3 MAKING THE CASE FOR LIBERTY

John E. Kramer
John Tillman

June 22nd

There are a lot of misconceptions about what free-market and limited-government proposals might mean. Learn how to effectively communicate these ideas to the media, to lawmakers, and to your friends and neighbors.



John E. Kramer is "freedom's PR man." As the Vice President for Communications at the Institute for Justice, Kramer achieves victories for liberty in the national court of public opinion.



John Tillman is the CEO at the Illinois Policy Institute and the founder of many organizations including Think Freely Media and the Liberty Justice Center. Tillman is known nationwide for creating the competitive capacity that transformed a blue state into a place ripe for free-market reform.

SESSION #4
**LABOR LAW 101 &
RIGHT-TO-WORK**

*F. Vincent Vernuccio
William Messenger*

June 29th

Unions have a lot of political power. Learn about how labor law works and why Right to Work is a victory for unions and workers alike.



F. Vincent Vernuccio is the Mackinac Center for Public Policy's director of labor policy. He is a sought-after voice on labor issues nationally and is a regular guest on Fox News programs.



William Messenger is a staff attorney at the National Right to Work Legal Defense Foundation. He was the lead attorney on *Harris v. Quinn*, a Supreme Court victory that helped lay the groundwork for ending compulsory public sector unions.

SESSION #5
REGULATIONS

Richard Epstein

July 6th

How much say should government have in our behavior? Learn how state regulations create complexities that can do more harm than good.



Richard Epstein is a Professor of Law and director of the Classical Liberal Institute at New York University. Epstein has been cited by *Legal Affairs* as one of the most influential legal thinkers of modern times.

SESSION #6
**EDUCATION
POLICY 101**

Richard Vedder

July 13th

The cost for a higher education is skyrocketing, increasing at a higher rate than even health care. Learn about higher education options and how to make a responsible choice.



Richard Vedder is distinguished professor of economics emeritus at Ohio University, director of the Center for College Affordability and Productivity, and author of several books, including *Going Broke by Degree: Why College Costs Too Much*. He has written extensively on the higher education bubble and has been published in many journals, books, and media outlets.

SESSION #7
CIVIL SOCIETY

Kay S. Hymowitz

July 20th

We're all part of networks of private groups, community associations, religions, families, and friendships. Learn about how heartfelt interactions in these networks can support people better and solve problems faster than bureaucracies can.



Kay S. Hymowitz is a senior fellow at the Manhattan Institute and a contributing editor of *City Journal*. She writes extensively on childhood, family issues, poverty, and cultural change in America, and her work has been featured in the *New York Times*, *Wall Street Journal*, *Washington Post* and others. She has also authored several books.

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SESSION #8
**THINK TANKS
& LIBERTY
INFRASTRUCTURE**

Joseph G. Lehman

July 27th

Many people do not know what a think tank is or how it works. Learn what they are, how they work and why they're effective.



Joseph G. Lehman is the president of the Mackinac Center for Public Policy. He left engineering to join the fight for liberty, and has since trained more than 600 think tank executives from every state and more than 50 countries in leadership and strategic planning.

SESSION #9
FISCAL POLICY 101

Michael D. LaFaive

Dan Mitchell

August 3rd

What happens to my tax dollars? Learn about government spending and how it impacts the economy.



Michael D. LaFaive is the Mackinac Center for Public Policy's Director of the Morey Fiscal Policy Initiative. He is the author of hundreds of articles and dozens of studies on matters related to taxes, privatization, corporate welfare, and state budgeting, and many of his ideas have been adopted by Michigan lawmakers.



Dan Mitchell is a senior fellow at the Cato Institute and an economics PhD with extensive experience in fiscal and tax policy. He has served as a senior fellow at the Heritage Foundation, as an economist for the Senate Finance Committee, and has given speeches about his work in more than 30 countries.

SESSION #10
**THE FIGHT FOR
FREEDOM**

Clint Bolick

August 10th

Now that you know all about the benefits of free-market solutions, it's time to talk about how to deal with the threats to liberty. Learn how our freedom is eroded and what you can do to prevent it.



Clint Bolick is a justice on the Arizona Supreme Court who previously served as the Vice President for Litigation at the Goldwater Institute. He helped found the Institute for Justice and also served as its Vice President for Litigation. He has worked as the director of the Landmark Center for Civil Rights, as a staff attorney at the US Department of Justice, Civil Rights Division, as a special assistant at the US Equal Employment Opportunity Commission, and as a staff attorney at Mountain States Legal Foundation, and has written several books on a variety of topics. He received his juris doctor from UC Davis School of Law and was named one of Legal Times' 90 Greatest DC Lawyers in the Past 30 Years.