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Ben Ginsberg, a Distinguished Visiting Fellow at Stanford's Hoover Institution and a Lecturer at the Stanford Law School, is a nationally known elections lawyer with 38 years' experience representing participants in the political process. His clients have included political parties, political campaigns, candidates, members of Congress and state legislatures, governors, corporations, trade associations, PACs, vendors, donors and individuals. He represented four of the last six Republican Presidential nominees.

His representations ranged across a variety of election law and regulatory issues, including those involving voting issues and election day operations, election recounts and contests, redistricting, federal and state campaign finance laws, government investigations, ethics and gifts rules, pay-to-play laws, election administration and communications law. Ben was appointed by President Barack Obama to serve as co-chair of the bipartisan Presidential Commission on Election Administration which produced a much-lauded report in 2014 on best practices and recommendations for state and local officials to make U.S. elections run better. He serves as co-chair of the bipartisan Election Officials Legal Defense Network.

Ben, currently a CNN contributor, appears frequently on television as an on-air commentator about politics and the law and has written numerous op-eds. He has also been a Fellow at Harvard University's Institute of Politics and an adjunct professor of law at Georgetown University Law Center.

He served as national counsel to the Bush-Cheney presidential campaigns in the 2004 and 2000 election cycles and played a central role in the 2000 Florida recount. In 2012 and 2008, he served as national counsel to the Romney for President campaign. He also has represented the campaigns and leadership PACs of numerous members of the Senate and House as well as the national party committees, Governors and state officials. He has wide experience on the state legislative level from directing Republican redistricting efforts nationwide following the 1990 Census and being actively engaged in the 2001-2002 and 2011-2012 rounds of redistricting. He was a partner at Jones Day from 2014 to 2020 and at Patton Boggs for 23 years before that.

Prior to entering law school, Ben spent five years as a newspaper reporter at *The Boston Globe*, *Philadelphia Evening Bulletin*, *The Berkshire Eagle* (Massachusetts), and *The Riverside Press-Enterprise* (California).

He and his wife, Jo Anne, live in Washington, D.C. and have two children and four grandchildren.