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**The Hon. Dick Thornburgh**  
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**The Hon. Gregory G. Garre**  
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### Speakers' Biographies

**The Honorable Dick Thornburgh**, who has served as Governor of Pennsylvania, Attorney General of the United States, and Under-Secretary-General of the United Nations during a public career which spanned over 25 years. He is currently counsel to the international law firm of K&L Gates LLP in its Washington, D.C. office. He is the Chairman of Washington Legal Foundation's Legal Policy Advisory Board.

**The Honorable Gregory G. Garre** is a partner in the Washington, D.C. office of the law firm Latham & Watkins and Global Chair of the firm's Supreme Court and Appellate Practice Group. He recently served as the 44th Solicitor General of the United States. Prior to his nomination by the President and unanimous confirmation as Solicitor General by the Senate, he served as Principal Deputy Solicitor General from 2005 to 2008, and then as Acting Solicitor General. In addition, he served as an Assistant to the Solicitor General from 2000 to 2004. He is the only person to have held all of those positions within the Office of the Solicitor General. Mr. Garre also previously served as a law clerk to Chief Justice William H. Rehnquist, and to Judge Anthony J. Scirica of the United States Court of Appeals for the Third Circuit.

**Patricia Ann Millett** is co-head of the Supreme Court practice as the law firm Akin Gump Strauss Hauer & Feld LLP. From August 1996 to September 2007, Ms. Millett served as an assistant to the solicitor general in the Office of the Solicitor General at the U.S. Department of Justice, in Washington, D.C. During that time, she argued 25 cases before the U.S. Supreme Court and she briefed more than 50 cases. She has argued two additional cases in the Court since joining Akin Gump, including a case currently pending a decision, *U.S. v. Stevens*. Ms. Millett also worked for four years in the Department of Justice's Civil Division, Appellate Staff.

**Noel J. Francisco** is a partner in the Washington, D.C. office of the law firm Jones Day, where he heads the Government Regulation Practice. He defends companies and individuals in civil and criminal litigation involving federal and state governments including enforcement actions brought by governments, lawsuits against governments, and in congressional investigations. Mr. Francisco is a counsel in a case currently pending a decision in the Supreme Court, *Free Enterprise Fund v. PCAOB*. He has served as a law clerk to Associate Justice Antonin Scalia and U.S. Court of Appeals for the Fourth Circuit Judge J. Michael Luttig. He also served in the Executive Branch, first as Associate Counsel to the President of the United States (2001-2003), and then as Deputy Assistant Attorney General, Office of Legal Counsel, U.S. Department of Justice (2003-2005).