



U.S. PRIVACY AND CIVIL LIBERTIES OVERSIGHT BOARD

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The Board Announces Upcoming Virtual Public Forum on the Foreign Intelligence Surveillance Act

June 24 Virtual Forum to Examine the Past and Future of FISA

Washington, DC- The Privacy and Civil Liberties Oversight Board has announced an upcoming virtual public forum to examine the Foreign Intelligence Surveillance Act, or FISA. The Board will consider the past and future of FISA in light of recent Department of Justice Inspector General [reports](#) on the law's use.

The virtual public forum will provide Board Members with a diverse range of viewpoints on the FISA process, the law's use for counterterrorism, challenges for privacy and civil liberties, and proposals for changes to the law.

The virtual public forum, to be conducted via Zoom, is scheduled for June 24, 1:30-2:45 PM. [Click here to register.](#)

Expert panelists scheduled to participate in the virtual public forum are as follows:

- **Robert Chesney**, Associate Dean for Academic Affairs at the University of Texas School of Law, and Director of the Robert S. Strauss Center for International Security and Law, former service in the US Department of Justice;
- **Elizabeth Goitein**, Co-Director of the Brennan Center for Justice's Liberty & National Security Program;
- **Andrew C. McCarthy**, Senior Fellow at the National Review Institute, contributing editor to the National Review, and former Assistant US Attorney in the Southern District of New York;
- **Mary McCord**, Legal Director at the Institute for Constitutional Advocacy and Protection and Visiting Professor of Law at Georgetown University Law Center, former Acting Assistant Attorney General for National Security at the US Department of Justice and Principal Deputy Assistant Attorney General for the National Security Division;
- **Kenneth Wainstein**, Partner at Davis Polk's Litigation Department, former Homeland Security Advisor for President George W. Bush, and previously the first Assistant Attorney General for National Security at the Department of Justice.