

# A Path to Equality: The Impact of the Civil Rights Acts of the 1960's

PANEL DISCUSSION

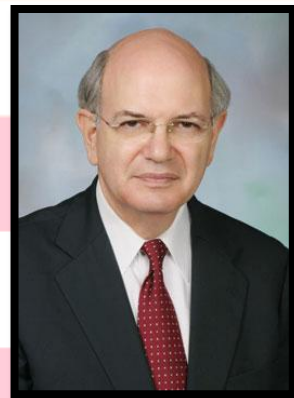
FREE ADMISSION

THURSDAY NOVEMBER 7, AT 7:00PM.,  
WILLIAM G. MCGOWAN THEATER

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A panel discussion on the Civil Rights Act of 1964 and the Voting Rights Act of 1965, held in celebration of the opening of the David M. Rubenstein Gallery "Records of Rights" permanent exhibition. The panel will examine the political challenges and debate that resulted in this groundbreaking legislation, give a behind-the-scenes look at what it took to pass both acts, and analyze the impact of these laws as we near their 50-year anniversaries. The panel will also discuss the Supreme Court's recent decision to invalidate key parts of the Voting Rights Act.

Todd Purdum, nationally recognized political journalist and contributing editor at *Vanity Fair*, will moderate the panel which will include: Carol Moseley Braun, who from 1992 to 1998 was the only female Senator from Illinois and one of two African Americans elected in the 20<sup>th</sup> Century; Charles Ferris, Former FCC Chairman, who served as chief counsel to the U.S. Senate Majority in 1963-1977 and was chief counsel to Senate Majority Leader during the Act legislation, Michael Steele, Former Republican National Committee Chairman, and former Member Martin Frost (D-TX, 1979-2005).



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