

David Keating

David Keating is the president of the Institute for Free Speech, the only organization dedicated solely to protecting First Amendment political free speech rights through litigation, education and advocacy.

In 2007, David founded SpeechNow.org due to his frustration with the incessant attacks on the First Amendment. His goal was to give Americans who support free speech a way to join together, pool their resources, and advocate for federal candidates who agree with them—and work to defeat those who do not. The group won the lawsuit against the Federal Election Commission that created the Super PAC.

David Keating has a long and distinguished career in nonprofit advocacy. Prior to joining Institute for Free Speech, he was the Executive Director of the Club for Growth. There he played a key role in growing the organization's membership and influencing economic freedom through public policy and politics. He worked for many years spent as the Executive Vice-President of the National Taxpayers Union, and the Washington Director of Americans for Fair Taxation.

In 1996 he was appointed to the National Commission on Restructuring the Internal Revenue Service by then Senator Bob Dole because of his leading role in the development and passage of the Taxpayers' Bill of Rights. The Commission's recommendations were enacted into law in 1998.

Mr. Keating has appeared on CBS's "60 Minutes," NBC's "Today", ABC's "20/20," PBS's "The NewsHour", Fox News Channel, and many other news and talk programs.