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## Andrew Langer, President of the Institute for Liberty, to Appear on Neal Asbury's Truth For America the Week of April 29th.



**A**ndrew Langer is the President of the Institute for Liberty, an advocacy organization dedicated to fighting the petty tyrannies of government and protecting America's right to be free. A long time fighter for small business, Mr. Langer came to IFL from the National Federation of Independent Business, where he headed that organization's regulatory practice for six years.

Mr. Langer focuses on the incremental threats to small business and entrepreneurship, helping policymakers understand why small businesses are different than big businesses, how the regulatory state impacts those small businesses, and what government can do to best help small businesses. He is responsible for protecting the interests of small business in the face of an ever-increasing burden from regulatory agencies, as well the protection of the private property rights of small business owners.

Upset by what he saw as an eclipsing property rights movement, Langer formed a DC-based property rights working group. Mr. Langer predicted the current crisis of eminent domain abuse, and foresaw the outrage that judicial decisions like the Supreme Court's 2005 *Kelo v. New London* would spark across the nation. He also co-chaired a working group on international property rights, and was called upon by the Bush administration to offer advice on using these approaches as a way to foster freedom and prosperity in post-war Iraq.

A dynamic and energetic speaker, Mr. Langer has been invited to give talks at the national conventions of some of the nations biggest trade associations, as well as at universities and government conferences nationwide—speaking on subjects as diverse as constitutional law, small business, lobbying, and the power of individuals to change public policy. He has warmed-up audiences for members of Congress and Presidential candidates. In satisfaction surveys following his speeches, Mr. Langer's ratings are consistently among the highest-rated on the event's programs, and his speeches generally lead to invitations by audience members to come and address their groups.

He has testified before Congress nearly twenty times, has offered advice to state governments, and is routinely asked by foreign governments to consult on making improvements to their small business sectors. He is a frequent guest on radio programs around the nation, discussing both

politics and public policy. He has appeared on MSNBC, ABC News, CNN, and Fox News Channel. Most recently, Mr. Langer was one of the main-stage speakers at the 912DC "Tea Party", held on the West Lawn of the US Capitol, an event that some media estimates say attracted nearly 2 million people. The Institute for Liberty has been an ongoing force within the Tea Party Movement since that movement's inception in February 2009.

The son of an environmental scientist and an epidemiologist, Langer attended the College of William and Mary in Virginia, where he received a BA in International Relations. He also holds a Masters in Public Administration from Troy State University. Mr. Langer's writings have appeared in US News and World Report, National Review Online, and in newspapers nationwide. He is currently authoring a book on the Tea party phenomenon. He lives on the Eastern Shore of Maryland with his wife and two children.



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