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The Providence Journal's Ed Fitzpatrick spoke to RWU Law's Santoro Lecturer Frank Fahrenkopf about what's at stake in the presidential debates.

FROM the PROVIDENCE JOURNAL: "More than ever, these debates are must-see TV" by Edward Fitzpatrick

PROVIDENCE, Oct. 2, 2012: Wake the kids. Call the neighbors. It's prime time in the political debate season.



[...] **Frank J. Fahrenkopf Jr., president of the American Gaming Association, spoke at the Roger Williams University School of Law on Thursday about business and legal issues in the gambling industry.** And Fahrenkopf, who is also co-chairman of the Commission on Presidential Debates, took some time to talk about what will be at stake when the candidates take the stage in Denver. [...]

Fahrenkopf — a lawyer who served as Republican National Committee chairman for six of Ronald Reagan's eight years in the White House (1983 to 1989) — said this year's debate format has been changed "so the moderator can dig down and the candidates won't be able to sit up there and just give 2- or 3-minute campaign speeches." He said, "We'll find out where they really stand on the issues and how they'll implement what they want to do with a new Congress ." [...]

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