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Panel: The Press & The President

March 28, 2017

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Tweets and leaks. “Fake news” and “alternative facts.” The President of the United States and the “Enemy of the American People.” On a daily basis, the press and the president are locked in a bitter, high-stakes battle.

In "[The Press & The President](#)," a panel of experts from Roger Williams University, the press and the Republican Party will delve into what it all means for reporters and politicians, the public and our democracy.

They'll go in-depth on issues touched upon in the [RWU 1st Amendment Blog](#), addressing past precedents and future implications, legal issues and journalistic practices, old-school campaigning and the new media landscape.

- Join us for a timely discussion that is free and open to the public.
- **The event begins at 7:00 at RWU's Providence campus, Wednesday, March 29, 2017.** The event will be held in the third-floor lounge of the RWU Providence Campus, 1 Empire St., Providence, R.I.
- Also hear it via [LIVE STREAMING](#).
- Or **live** on RWU's radio station, [WQRI](#).

Panelists include:

- [Omar Bah](#), journalist and refugee from The Gambia, RWU graduate, founder and executive director of the Refugee Dream Center;

- [Brandon S. Bell](#), Rhode Island Republican Party chairman, trial attorney who co-founded Fontaine Bell law firm and RWU School of Law graduate;
- [David A. Logan](#), law professor and former dean of the RWU School of Law, who has studied and written extensively about First Amendment issues;
- [Paola Prado](#), RWU journalism and digital media professor who covered the White House in the 1990s for Brazilian TV Broadcast Network SBT and Reuters TV;
- [Tim White](#), WPRI-Channel 12 investigative reporter, New England First Amendment Coalition board member.

The panel will be moderated by [Edward Fitzpatrick](#), RWU director of Media and Public Relations, New England First Amendment Coalition board member and former Providence Journal columnist.