

Dear Polisci-ers,

Next month, the Yankelovich Center (which Zoli Hajnal and I direct) and the Future of Democracy Initiative (headed by Christina Schneider and Emilie Hafner-Burton) will be holding a national convening that will bring together a bipartisan set of election officials and democracy leaders to discuss how the parties might come together to safeguard elections in 2024 and beyond. As part of the convening, we will be holding a free public event with two of the nation's most prominent voices on elections, and would very much like to invite each of you. The details and the registration link are below, and please also feel free to share it with your students and in your networks. Hope to see you there!

Subject: invitation to Safeguarding American Elections: A Bipartisan Conversation (Dec. 6, 5:30pm)

Of all the threats that partisan polarization poses to American democracy, polarization over elections is the most ominous and urgent. How can responsible leaders from both parties work together to protect the integrity of elections and restore public confidence in our democracy?

UC San Diego's [Yankelovich Center](#) and the UC [Future of Democracy Initiative](#) will be hosting a national convening bringing democracy leaders from both parties together to meet this challenge. We will also host an event, free and open to those who [register here](#), on the evening of Wednesday, December 6 from 5:30-6:30pm at the Robinson Auditorium on campus. This event brings together two leading voices on American elections today – Michigan Secretary of State [Jocelyn Benson](#) (an elected Democrat) and Maricopa County Recorder [Stephen Richer](#) (an elected Republican) – for a candid conversation about how to bring the two political parties together to defend this fundamental pillar of democracy.

More details are in the flyer below and the [registration site](#). We hope to see you on December 6!