



DEBATE AGENDA
Stanford University – February 18, 2010

4:30 – 4:40 PM	Welcome	Ken Eldred
4:40 – 4:45PM	Introductions - Debaters, Moderator	Ken Eldred
4:45 – 4:55 PM	Introduce the Debate Topic, Format	Eric Osborne

Debate Topic: Does the 1954 Johnson Amendment violate the United States Constitution and federal law by requiring a pastor to refrain from addressing candidates and elections in light of scripture or church doctrine during a sermon?

- ★ Erik Stanley, Senior Legal Counsel of the Alliance Defense Fund
- ★ Professor Andrew Koppelman, Northwestern University Law School
- ★ Rev. Barry Lynn, Americans United for Separation of Church and State
- ★ Professor Donald Tobin, The Ohio State University Moritz College of Law

Format: 90 minutes total.

1. 8 minute opening statements by each of the four debaters (32 minutes)
2. 5 minutes each debater for rebuttal (20 minutes)
3. 10 minutes for moderator-directed questions (10 minutes)
4. 20 minutes for audience Q & A (20 minutes)

Order: One panelist from the side opposing the Johnson Amendment (Stanley or Koppelman) to open first (8 minutes); followed by one panelist defending the Johnson Amendment (Lynn or Tobin) (8 minutes); second panelist from opposing side (8 minutes); second panelist from defending side (8 minutes); repeat order for rebuttal (5 minutes each); moderator asks questions for 10 minutes; last 20 minutes for audience questions.

4:55 – 6:30 PM	Debate (Eric Osborne moderates)	
6:30 PM	Dismiss	Ken Eldred