

Biography: John Berlau

John Berlau is a senior fellow at the Competitive Enterprise Institute.

Berlau is a contributing writer for Forbes, and has written about the impact of public policy on entrepreneurship and the investing public for many publications including the Wall Street Journal, New York Times, The Atlantic, Politico, Daily Caller, Washington Examiner, Investor's Business Daily, National Journal, National Review, American Spectator, and Reason. He has been cited in the New York Times, Washington Post, Politico, Bloomberg, and Financial Times. He is a frequent guest on many radio and television programs including CNBC's "The Call," "Power Lunch" and "Closing Bell," Fox News' "Fox & Friends" and "Your World with Neil Cavuto," and Fox Business' "Cavuto" and "Willis Report."

Berlau has testified on the impact of financial regulation before the House Committee on Financial Services and the House Committee on Energy and Commerce. A recognized expert on the phenomenon of crowdfunding, Berlau has spoken at prominent conferences such as South by Southwest Interactive in Austin, Money20/20 in Las Vegas, the FinTech Global Expo in San Diego, the CFGE Crowdfund Banking and Lending Summit in San Francisco and the Crowdfund Intermediary Regulatory Advocates (CFIRA) Summit in Washington, D.C. He is also author of the widely cited paper "Declaration of Crowdfunding Independence: Finance of the People, by the People, and for the People."

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