



## Steven Groves

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Steven Groves works to protect and preserve American sovereignty, self-governance and independence as leader of The Heritage Foundation's Freedom Project.

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He has testified before Congress on international law, human rights, the United Nations and controversial treaties such as the U.N. Convention on the Law of the Sea, the Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities, and the Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Discrimination against Women.

In 2013, Groves was awarded the Dr. W. Glenn and Rita Campbell Award for his work. The award is given annually to the Heritage employee who made "an outstanding contribution to the analysis and promotion of a free society."

Before joining Heritage in 2007, Groves was senior counsel to the U.S. Senate Permanent Subcommittee on Investigations. He played a lead role in the subcommittee's investigation of the U.N. "oil-for-food" scandal, the most extensive congressional probe ever conducted of the United Nations.

Groves previously was an associate at Boies, Schiller & Flexner LLP, specializing in commercial litigation. Before that he served as assistant attorney general for the state of Florida, where he litigated civil rights cases, constitutional law issues and criminal appeals, among other matters, in state and federal court.

Groves is a frequent guest commentator on domestic and international television and radio. He has appeared on ABC, BBC, CNBC, CNN and CNN International, Fox News

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His commentary and opinion pieces have been published by journals such as National Review, The Weekly Standard, The Daily Signal, and Human Events, as well as by The Washington Times and other major newspapers across America.

Groves holds a master of laws from Georgetown University Law Center, a juris doctorate from Ohio Northern University's College of Law, and a bachelor of arts in history from Florida State University.