

## **Hillel Fradkin**

### **Bio**

**Dr. Hillel Fradkin has been a Senior Fellow at the Hudson Institute since 2004 and directs its Center on Islam, Democracy and the Future of the Muslim World. The Center's research is focused on contemporary Muslim political affairs.**

**In addition to research projects, the Center publishes a journal exclusively devoted to the subject of the ideology of Islamism, the only one of its kind, a journal called Current Trends in Islamist Ideology. Fradkin co-founded this journal with his colleagues Ambassador Husain Haqqani and Eric Brown and continues to coedit it with them.**

**Fradkin is currently writing a book on the contemporary conflict between Sunni and Shiite Muslims, its historical dimensions, and its potential implications for American national security policy.**

**Fradkin earned his degree in Islamic Studies from the University of Chicago in 1978. The principal directors of his doctoral research, which was in the area of Islamic thought, were the late Iraqi Shiite scholar Muhsin Mahdi and the late Pakistani Sunni scholar and theologian Fazlur Rahman. His BA was from the Dept. of Government of Cornell University.**

**Fradkin was a member of the faculty at Barnard College/Columbia Univ. and the Univ. of Chicago. He also has taught at Yale and Georgetown Universities.**

**He has lectured widely both in the US and abroad and also consulted for government agencies. He served in the US Army from 1969-1972. During the majority of his service he was attached to US Special Forces groups as an Arabic translator.**