

Biography of Timothy H. Edgar

Timothy H. Edgar is a visiting scholar at the Brown University's Watson Institute for International Studies. He served under President Obama as the first director of privacy and civil liberties for the White House National Security Staff, focusing on cybersecurity, open government, and data privacy initiatives. Under President George W. Bush, he was the first deputy for civil liberties for the director of national intelligence.

Mr. Edgar was the national security and immigration counsel for the American Civil Liberties Union from 2001 to 2006, where he spearheaded the organization's innovative left-right coalition advocating for safeguards for a number of post-9/11 counterterrorism initiatives, including the USA Patriot Act.

Mr. Edgar was a law clerk to Judge Sandra Lynch, United States Court of Appeals for the First Circuit. He has a J.D. from Harvard Law School, where he served on the *Harvard Law Review*, and an A.B. from Dartmouth College.