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Jeff Birnbaum is an award-winning author, television commentator, and the president of BGR Public Relations. He has been a columnist for *The Washington Times*, where he previously served as managing editor of digital, in charge of multimedia and online news. On television he was a political analyst for Fox News Channel and Fox News Radio and previously long appeared as a regular panelist on PBS's *Washington Week*.

Birnbaum utilizes his extensive experience studying politics and politicians to address how hot topics affect the current crop of presidential hopefuls and the state of America on the world stage. A commentator who analyzes both sides of the political playing field through every possible mode of media, his observations and intuitions are highly regarded among his peers and help contribute to some of the most astute political scrutiny in the press. Audiences get a firsthand account of Birnbaum's expertise and candor during each presentation. He covers the intersection of business and politics and national politics with an emphasis on Congress, the White House, lobbying, and presidential campaigns.

Politicking in Print. During his award-winning career in journalism, Birnbaum worked for the premier news outlets in the United States. Birnbaum was a columnist for *The Washington Post* and *The Washington Times*. Prior to that, he spent seven years as *Fortune* magazine's senior writer and as the chief of its Washington, DC, bureau. He also spent two years as a senior political correspondent for *Fortune's* sister publication, *TIME* magazine. Before joining *TIME* in 1995, Birnbaum worked for *The Wall Street Journal* for 16 years. He was the *Journal's* White House correspondent and a congressional and tax reporter. In 1994 won the Aldo Beckman Memorial Award for excellence in feature writing about the Clinton presidency. *Washingtonian* magazine also selected him as one of "Washington's 50 best and most influential journalists."

Birnbaum is the author of four books. His first, *Showdown at Gucci Gulch*, was written with Alan Murray in 1987. This chronicle of the Tax Reform Act of 1986 won the American Political Science Association's coveted Carey McWilliams Award. In 1992, Birnbaum's second book, *The Lobbyists*, was a *Washington Post* best-seller. *Madhouse* – Birnbaum's third – detailed Clinton's White House. His latest, *The Money Men*, examines campaign fund-raising.

Network Handicapping. In 1998, Birnbaum was hired as a Fox News contributor. He was for many years Fox News Radio's chief political analyst and helped anchor election nights and major political events since 2004. Birnbaum was also a regular commentator on NPR's *All Things Considered*.