



# Increased Security and Prosperity: The Immigration Reform Imperative

April 19, 2016  
Hall of Flags  
U.S. Chamber of Commerce

## Agenda

**Registration** – 12:30 PM – 1:00 PM

**Welcoming Comments** – 1:00 PM – 1:10 PM

Randel Johnson, Senior Vice President, Labor, Immigration, & Employee Benefits,  
U.S. Chamber of Commerce

**PANEL 1: HOW WILL NATIONAL SECURITY BE IMPROVED THROUGH IMMIGRATION REFORM?** - 1:10 PM – 2:10 PM

### Panelists:

- **Tom Ridge** – Chairman, U.S. Chamber's National Security Task Force; former Secretary, Department of Homeland Security; former Governor, state of Pennsylvania
- **Lupe Valdez** – Sheriff, Dallas County, TX
- **Julie Myers Wood** – CEO, Guidepost Solutions; former Assistant Secretary for Immigration and Customs Enforcement, DHS

### Moderated by:

**C. Stewart Verdery** – Partner, Monument Policy Group; former Assistant Secretary of Policy and Planning, Department of Homeland Security

## **PANEL 2: HOW WILL IMMIGRATION REFORM SPUR ECONOMIC GROWTH? –**

2:15 PM – 3:15 PM

### **Panelists:**

- **Doug Holtz-Eakin** – President, American Action Forum; former CBO Director
- **Betsy Cohen** – Executive Director, St. Louis Mosaic Project

### **Moderated by:**

**Matt Sonnesyn** – Vice President, Business Roundtable

## **PANEL 3: WHY IS LEGALIZATION OF THE UNDOCUMENTED NECESSARY FOR REFORM TO BE SUCCESSFUL? – 3:20 PM – 4:20 PM**

### **Panelists:**

- **Rev. Tony Suarez** – Executive VP, National Hispanic Christian Leadership Conference
- **Lynn Jacquez** – Legal Advisor, Agriculture Coalition for Immigration Reform
- **Cris Mercado** – Founder & CEO, GrantAnswers LLC

### **Moderated by:**

**Ali Noorani** – Executive Director, National Immigration Forum

## **CLOSING KEYNOTE: THE CASE FOR MEANINGFUL IMMIGRATION REFORM – 4:25 PM – 4:55 PM**

**Senator Jeff Flake (R-AZ)**

**Closing Comments:** 4:55 PM – 5:00 PM

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**Reception - 5:00 PM – 7:00 PM**

Lee Anderson Veterans Center room