

Roque “Rocky” De La Fuente—United States President—Non-Affiliated

“Rocky” Roque De La Fuente is living proof that the American Dream can be achieved by those who are inspired to pursue it. He has an amazing record of success. From earning an FAA license to fly single engine planes at the age of 20 to owning 28 automobile dealerships and becoming Chairman of the National Dealers Council for the third largest automobile manufacturer in the world by the age of 28, he’s in a league by himself. He created a banking network in 1982 to help address Mexico’s economic crisis and established impressive real estate holdings throughout the United States while creating thousands of new jobs along the way. In 1992, Rocky became the first Hispanic American to serve as a Delegate-At-Large for the State of California at a National Convention. He holds a bachelor’s degree in Physics and Mathematics (Magna Cum Laude) and an honorary doctorate from UNESCO.

Statement:

I’m not a career politician. I’m just like you. I live in the real world, not a political one.

I don’t have to pretend to understand minority issues because I am a minority.

I don’t have to pretend to understand how to create jobs because I have created thousands.

I don’t have to pretend to understand the importance of paying a fair wage and providing health care benefits because I’ve witnessed the impact it has on the lives of the families of those I employed.

I don’t have to pretend to understand international relations because I’ve traveled extensively and both lived and worked abroad.

I don’t have to pretend to care about the environment because I’m actually doing something about through renewable energy.

I don’t even have to pretend to understand the cost of education... because I have five children.

And where I really differ: I don’t look at problems through a political lens; I look at them through a practical one.

Our Nation is at a crossroad. Einstein once said, "We cannot solve our problems with the same thinking we used when we created them." I would suggest that it’s also true that we cannot solve our problems with the same people who created them. We’re suffering from political gridlock fashioned by career politicians who place party politics ahead of the people. Additionally, our election process has been rigged to maintain the status quo. It’s time for change, and I will do everything in my power to deliver it.



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Michael Steinberg—United States Vice President—Non-Affiliated

Michael Steinberg is a married father of three. He has a Juris Doctorate degree and a BA in Economics. Michael is a member of the Florida Bar and is licensed to practice before the United States Supreme Court, the United States Federal Court of Appeals, the United States Circuit Court (11th Circuit), the United States District Courts for Florida's Northern, Southern and Middle Districts, and the United States Court of Appeals for Veterans Claims. He practices law in the areas of Social Security Disability, Veterans' Disability Benefits, Private Long-Term Disability, ERISA and Personal Injury. Community and professional service are extremely important to him. In that regard, he has longtime relationships with the Hillsborough County Bar Association, the National Organization for Veterans' Advocates, the National Organization of Social Security Claimants' Representatives, and the Hillsborough County Healthcare Advisory Board in Florida, and he has been active in politics for over 16 years.

Statement:

I envision a country where policy is based on the interests of the people rather than just a privileged few. Unfortunately, we have lost our way on that point in recent years.

I believe in the free market system, but the system must be fair. To grow the middle class, we need to create and keep jobs in this country that pay a fair wage and provide access to healthcare. We should support laws that encourage innovation and investment in durable goods, machinery and equipment. However, we must demand that the rest of the world conducts trade with us on a level playing field.

I also believe that every child deserves the opportunity to receive a quality education because to do otherwise is to sentence them to remain right where they are. We have grown stagnant as a nation, and upward mobility has been ground to a halt. We have to begin growing the middle class again, and education is the key.

As a Social Security Disabilities attorney for over 30 years, I'll work to ensure that Social Security Retirement and Disability programs, along with Medicare, remain solvent and are operated in a professional, courteous and efficient manner.

Additionally, our nation is facing a debt crisis. While we need to address waste and fraud in government, that is not enough. We need a tax policy that treats people fairly and new jobs to increase tax revenues.

And finally, I'll work hard to restore integrity to our electoral system.



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