



# 2015 BRADLEY PRIZES

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Ryan Anderson is a one-man army for the defense of marriage, the fundamental and indispensable building block of our civilization. In addition to being a coauthor of the definitive book on this subject, Anderson speaks around the country, educating supporters and opponents alike. The first thing to note is what an absolutely critical task this is. The decline of the marriage culture and the breakdown of the family spell disaster for all of our other efforts: political, economic, or otherwise. But the point I really want to emphasize is the courage and fortitude it takes for Anderson to do what he does. Whether being bullied by TV hosts such as Piers Morgan or being mistreated by audiences of college students, Anderson maintains amazing poise and integrity against a regular barrage of attacks. There is literally no view more unpopular among the Left than the traditional view of marriage. But Anderson understands the importance of our society getting this right, and he goes forward patiently and brilliantly, despite the negative attention that it earns him from elites (and peers) in so many corners. We ought to commend Anderson and hold him up as an example of what it means to stand up and take responsibility for the future of this country and, in doing so, hopefully encourage others to follow in his path.

I have pasted below Anderson's biography from the Heritage Foundation site.

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Ryan T. Anderson researches and writes about marriage and religious liberty as the William E. Simon Fellow at The Heritage Foundation. He also focuses on justice and moral principles in economic thought, health care and education, and has expertise in bioethics and natural law theory.

Anderson is also the editor of *Public Discourse*, the online journal of the Witherspoon Institute of Princeton, N.J.

Anderson's recent work at Heritage focuses on the constitutional questions surrounding same-sex "marriage." He is the co-author with Princeton's Robert P. George and Sherif Girgis of the acclaimed book "What Is Marriage? Man and Woman: A Defense" (Encounter Books, December 2012). Justice Samuel Alito cited the book twice in his dissenting opinion in the Supreme Court case involving the Defense of Marriage Act. The three also co-wrote the article "What is Marriage?" in the winter 2011 issue of *Harvard Journal of Law and Public Policy*.

In addition to a memorable 2013 debate about marriage on CNN's "Piers Morgan Live," Anderson's broadcast and cable appearances include news programs on CNN, Fox News Channel and MSNBC. His work has been featured in or published by major newspapers and magazines, including the New York Times, Washington Post, Wall Street Journal, Washington Examiner, National Review, Weekly Standard and Christianity Today. It also has appeared in journals such as Harvard Journal of Law and Public Policy, First Things, Claremont Review of Books, New Atlantis, Touchstone, Books and Culture, The City and Human Life Review.

Anderson's previous positions include assistant editor of *First Things*; journalism fellow of the Phillips Foundation; and executive director of the Witherspoon Institute, where he was research assistant to Robert P. George and Jean Bethke Elshtain.

Anderson received his bachelor of arts degree from Princeton University, graduating *Phi Beta Kappa* and *magna cum laude*. He earned his doctoral degree in political philosophy from the University of Notre Dame, where he received his master's degree. His research spans the natural law tradition in conversation with classical and contemporary liberalism. His dissertation, which he defended in October 2014, is titled: "Neither Liberal nor Libertarian: A Natural Law Approach to Social Justice and Economic Rights."

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Anderson, who was born in Baltimore, Md., currently resides in Washington, D.C.



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Mark Steyn is not known to me personally, but, for my money, Steyn is the most insightful (and wittiest) cultural critic of our time. He expresses better than anyone else in the media the way in which conservative politics and economics must be underwritten by a culture that preserves and renews traditional American values. He is a best-selling author (e.g., *America Alone* and *After America*), widely syndicated columnist, and noted speaker who covers seemingly every aspect of American life. His incisive take on American culture explains not only our domestic woes but also America's decline on the world stage. My main reason for nominating Steyn, however, is his most recent battle in defense of free speech. He was previously embroiled in a bitter case in Canada over his writings. Not only did he win that case, but he also used it as a platform to dismantle some of Canada's absurd "human rights" (i.e., anti-free speech) regime. Now he is boldly fighting a case here in America, against a scientist who is suing him for criticizing his fraudulent claims about global warming. One of the most serious threats to liberty today in the West is the increasingly hostile treatment of unpopular ideas. More than anyone in our public life today, Steyn is a champion of free speech. We must be ever grateful for his courage and sacrifice—and support him in his battle—because the marketplace of ideas he protects is the *sine qua non* of all of our other fights.