



# "Traditional Media, Social Media, And the Polarization of the Electorate"



## This forum will address::

- How has the shift from traditional to social media contributed to the polarization of the electorate?
- How do social media "bubbles" contribute to this phenomenon?
- Are there ways to counteract these trends?
- How is belief formation affected by social media?



## Panelists:

- Vin Gopal  
*New Jersey State Senator 11th District*
- Alex Torpey  
*Former South Orange Village President*
- Robert Pallitto  
*Professor of Political Science and Public Administration*



## Moderator:

- Steven Schnall  
*South Orange Village Trustee*

**MONDAY** NOV. 30, 2020 7PM | ON ZOOM

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