



With the League of Women Voters of Pullman

When Money Talk\$:

Political campaigns after the *Citizen's United* decision

In 2010, the United States Supreme Court ruled in *Citizens United v. FCC* that corporate funding of independent political broadcasts is protected by the First Amendment. Recently, so-called Super PACs have spent millions of dollars supporting various candidates. From the Occupy Wall Street Movement to the Republican Primary contests to the potential for mischief in non-partisan judicial elections, *Citizens United* has stirred controversy and shaken the presumptions involving campaign finance and corporate spending in democracy.

Our panel of specialists will discuss the effects of the *Citizens United* ruling on political campaigns, and the possible implications for elections and democracy in the U.S.



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