

FTC Commissioner Andrew N. Ferguson for FTC Chairman

Commissioner Ferguson is the America First, pro-innovation choice for Chairman of the Federal Trade Commission. Ferguson has impeccable legal credentials, proven loyalty to President Donald Trump, and a track record of standing up to Big Tech Censorship, DEI-wokeism, and the anti-business, anti-innovation agenda of the radical left. President Trump can designate Ferguson as Chairman of the FTC on Day 1 of the Trump Administration – no Senate confirmation is needed for sitting FTC Commissioners to become Chairman, and his term does not expire until 2030.

Major Accomplishments

- Sued the Biden Administration to halt its lawless environmental, immigration, and gun policies.
- Directed Virginia Attorney General's efforts to bring down the Department of Homeland Security's "Disinformation Board."
- Represented Virginia and numerous other States in a landmark antitrust suit against Google's ad-tech monopoly.
- Successfully fought to end the Biden FTC's anti-business policy of refusing to end merger investigations early and allow firms to close their deals as soon as the FTC finds no competitive harm ("early termination").
- Oversaw the effort to confirm President Trump's judicial nominations in the Senate, transforming the Supreme Court as well as the lower courts. Lead staffer for both the Kavanaugh and Barrett nominations.
- Senate staff architect of President Trump's two impeachment acquittals.

Agenda for the FTC

Reverse Lina Khan's Anti-Business Agenda

- Repeal burdensome regulations and provide businesses with the certainty they need. Businesses deserve to know what they can and can't do.
- Support strong American companies that can beat foreign competitors. Foster innovation that improves our quality of life and makes our country greater than ever before.
- Stop Lina Khan's war on mergers. Most mergers benefit Americans and promote the movement of the capital that fuels innovation. Focus FTC resources on the mergers that harm competition and hinder innovation, while permitting mergers that keep capital flowing to innovators.
- End the FTC's attempt to become an AI regulator.
- No more novel and legally dubious consumer protection cases. Demand honesty and fairness to consumers, but businesses should not fear that the FTC will punish them for honest conduct that offends the sensibilities of beltway bureaucrats.
- Stop abusing FTC enforcement authorities as a substitute for comprehensive federal privacy legislation.

Hold Big Tech Accountable and Stop Censorship

- Focus antitrust enforcement against Big Tech monopolies, especially those companies engaged in unlawful censorship.
- Pursue structural and behavioral legal remedies under the antitrust laws and the FTC Act to make sure large platforms treat all Americans fairly and to prevent them from using their market power to box out new entrants and stymie innovation.

Biographical Highlights

- Solicitor General of Virginia
- Law Clerk to Supreme Court Justice Clarence Thomas. Also clerked on D.C. Circuit. B.A. & J.D. from the University of Virginia.
- Chief counsel for nominations to the Senate Judiciary Committee.
- Chief Counsel to Senate Majority Leader Mitch McConnell. Ferguson served as a strong voice that supported President Trump's agenda within McConnell's office.

Protect Freedom of Speech and Fight Wokeness

- Investigate and prosecute collusion on DEI, ESG, advertiser boycotts, etc.
- End Lina Khan's politically motivated investigations.
- Terminate all initiatives investigating so-called "disinformation," "hate speech" or AI "bias."
- End the FTC's attacks on online anonymity.
- Fight back against the trans agenda. Investigate the doctors, therapists, hospitals, and others who deceptively pushed gender confusion, puberty blockers, hormone replacement, and sex-change surgeries on children and adults while failing to disclose strong evidence that such interventions are not helpful and carry enormous risks.
- Stop pursuing cases under lawless disparate impact discrimination theories. Such cases are designed to force companies to adopt de facto quotas and affirmative action policies.

Fight the Bureaucracy to Implement President Trump's Agenda

- The Constitution requires that all federal employees, even the heads of so-called independent agencies, answer to the President.
- Terminate uncooperative bureaucrats.
- Advance the President's agenda by taking on entrenched left-wing ideologues at the FTC who take their agenda from liberal journalists and activists. Only a strong, Trump-aligned Chairman can resist their influence.