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Guest: Dr. DENNIS TE-CHUNG TANG

Dr. Dennis Te-Chung Tang met with Judicial Watch's director of investigations and research, Chris Farrell, on July 26, 2005, to research the function of non-profit watchdog agencies in the United States and, in particular, Judicial Watch's use of the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) and "sunshine laws" to uncover, expose, and prosecute government corruption.

Dr. Tang is a distinguished Taiwanese academician, who was serving as acting Director & Professor of Law (Institute of Law/Jurisprudence) at Sun Yat-Sen Institute for Social Sciences and Philosophy, at the time of his visit. Sun-Yat-Sen Institute, located in Nankang, Taipei, Taiwan, is the "highest and most prestigious multidisciplinary academic and research institute in Taiwan, currently headed by Dr. Yuan-Tseh Lee, Nobel laureate in chemistry."

Dr. Tang's curriculum vitae listed numerous publications he authored as a result of his research on environmental, constitutional, and judicial issues confronting Taiwan, having received an "Outstanding Research Award in 1992" from the National Science Council on his publication of *The Doctrine of Separation of Powers in the United States of America: A Preliminary Reflection of the Feasibility of Shifting to a Presidential System in the ROC*.

He is currently researching ways in which to reform an overburdened judiciary in Taiwan to improve its public image and ultimately win the confidence of the people—which he acknowledged is essential for a developing democracy.

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