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First Amendment Limitation on a Government's Ability to Regulate Demonstrations

SPEAKER:

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From 2002 through 2009, Tom was the city attorney in Seattle, Washington. Tom brought a collaborative problem-solving approach to the task of addressing public safety and community issues by building partnerships with courts, other prosecutors, social service providers and community leaders. In Seattle, Tom built a citywide Community Prosecution program and was a founder of the first Community Court in the state of Washington.

Prior to serving as Seattle City Attorney, Tom was a partner in a Seattle law firm specializing in commercial litigation. From 1986 through 1990, he served as an Assistant United States Attorney for the Eastern District of New York, specializing in organized crime civil RICO cases.

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