



DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA BUILDING INDUSTRY ASSOCIATION

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**DC BUILDING INDUSTRY ASSOCIATION HOSTS  
PROMINENT POLITICAL EXPERTS TO DEBATE IMPACT  
OF MID-TERM ELECTIONS**

**Washington, DC, October 27, 2010 . . . .** The District of Columbia Building Industry Association is hosting five leading political commentators to provide the Washington community with a live, spontaneous, and refreshingly spin-free first look at the national, state and local election returns and the expected impact on the Washington economy. The event is Thursday, November 4, 2010, 8:30- 10:30 a.m. at the National Press Club.

**The distinguished panelists are:**

- Hon. Parris Glendening, former Governor of the State of Maryland, former County Executive of Prince George's County, Maryland, and currently President of Smart Growth America's Leadership Institute
- Robert McCartney, Metropolitan Affairs columnist for The Washington Post
- Ron Nessen, Brookings Fellow, former Presidential Press Secretary during the Gerald Ford Administration
- Hon. Eleanor Holmes Norton, Congresswoman from the District of Columbia to the U.S. House of Representatives
- Mark Plotkin, noted political commentator for National Public Radio and, locally, for WTOP Radio.

With the polls closing only 36 hours before the program begins, this panel will provide an invigorating analysis of the results, the wins, the losses, and the near-misses. Panelists will address what it all means for the future of the Congress, the Obama Administration, State governments and programs directed at local issues. Other issues to be addressed include sizing the Federal Government, Federal aid to States for Stimulus and other programs, including transportation and infrastructure, education, incentives, and more. And, of course, with the 2010 polls having just closed, it's never too early to start speculating about the 2012 campaign cycle....

**Event Details**

Date & Time: November 4, 8:30 – 10:30 AM

Location: National Press Club, 14<sup>th</sup> and F Streets, N.W., Washington, D.C.  
Networking breakfast begins at 7:30 AM.  
Cost: DCBIA Members \$70; Non-Members \$95

To register, go to [www.dcbia.org](http://www.dcbia.org) and click on the “Annual Economic Development Seminar.”

**Background:**

The District of Columbia Building Industry Association is the leading umbrella trade association for the real estate industry in the District of Columbia. The DCBIA promotes the real estate industries as an essential component of the District’s growth and vitality, represents its membership in an advocacy role, works closely with District government agencies, organizes popular continuing education programs such as this on a regular basis, provides professional networking opportunities, and sponsors community service activities.