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Aaron Reitz is an attorney with Hance Scarborough LLP. Aaron previously served as the Presidentially-appointed, Senate-confirmed head of the Justice Department's Office of Legal Policy (OLP). As the Assistant Attorney General over OLP, Aaron was charged with developing and implementing DOJ's significant policy initiatives, handling special projects that implicate the interests of multiple DOJ components, and serving as the primary policy advisor to Attorney General Pam Bondi. As Chief Regulatory Officer, Aaron also reviewed and coordinated all regulations promulgated by DOJ. Lastly, he identified and vetted candidates for federal judgeships, and coordinated the nomination and confirmation process with the White House and Senate.

Before DOJ, Aaron served as Senator Ted Cruz's Chief of Staff, where he oversaw domestic policy, legislative, communications, administrative, Commerce Committee, Judiciary Committee, and Foreign Relations Committee teams, as well as several regional offices throughout the State of Texas. During his time as Chief, Aaron advanced several critical legislative efforts that strengthen border security and mitigate the immigration crisis, protect children and families online, generate investment in domestic high-tech projects, and stimulate billions of dollars of economic activity between Texas and Mexico.

Aaron also previously served as Texas Attorney General Ken Paxton's Deputy Attorney General for Legal Strategy, where he directed the Agency's Texas-versus-Biden docket. Aaron was the Agency's "offensive coordinator" and planned, staffed, and executed the Agency's most consequential lawsuits and legal initiatives on matters including immigration, federal- state-local relations, election integrity, voting rights, Big Tech, consumer protection, energy, and the U.S. and Texas

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Aaron clerked for now-Chief Justice Jimmy Blacklock on the Texas Supreme Court and practiced both corporate law and commercial litigation in Houston and Austin. He graduated from the University of Texas School of Law, where he was President of the Texas Federalist Society and Editor in Chief of the *Texas Review of Law & Politics*. Before law school, he was an officer in the United States Marine Corps. He spent nearly five years on active duty and deployed to the northern Helmand Province of Afghanistan, where he was embedded with the Afghan National Army. Aaron is still in the Marine Corps Reserve as a Major.

Aaron is married to his high school sweetheart and they have four children. They are active members of Saint Mary Cathedral in downtown Austin, Texas.

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