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Charlie Cook is widely regarded as one of the nation's leading authorities on U.S. elections and political trends. He founded the independent, non-partisan *Cook Political Report* in 1984, serving as Editor and Publisher for 37 years, stepping down in 2021 and transitioning ownership and management of the venerable newsletter to Amy Walter. Charlie remains with the renamed "*Cook Political Report with Amy Walter*" as a contributor.

In addition to lecturing, Charlie continues to write his weekly column for *National Journal* and serving as a political analyst for both *National Journal* and for *NBC News*. He is also a co-author of the 2020 and 2022 editions of *The Almanac of American Politics*.

Covering and analyzing U.S. elections and domestic political trends, *The New York Times* once referred to *Cook Political Report* as "a newsletter that both parties regard as authoritative" while *CBS News*' Bob Schieffer called it "the bible of the political community."

Al Hunt, in the *Wall Street Journal*, referred to Cook as "the Picasso of election analysis." The late David Broder of *The Washington Post*, long considered "the Dean of the Washington political press corps," once wrote that Charlie Cook is "perhaps the best non-partisan tracker of Congressional races."

Charlie has appeared on *ABC World News Tonight*, *CBS Evening News*, *NBC Nightly News*, and on *ABC's This Week*. Since the 1990s, he has also appeared on *NBC's Meet the Press* more than a dozen times. Over the years, Charlie has served as an Election Night analyst for *CBS*, *CNN*, and, for 30 years, on the *NBC News Election Night Decision Desk* in New York.

In 2010, Charlie was the co-recipient of the American Political Science Association's prestigious Carey McWilliams award to honor "a major journalistic contribution to our understanding of politics." In 2013, Charlie served as a Resident Fellow at the Institute of Politics at Harvard's Kennedy School of Government.

For speaking engagements, Charlie is represented by [Leading Authorities Inc.](#) and has been for over 30 years.

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