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## Michael Toner Discusses Rick Santorum Suspending his Campaign

**MSNBC** 

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Michael Toner, co-chair of the Election Law & Government Ethics Practice, was interviewed by MSNBC's *First Read* following the announcement from Republican presidential candidate Rick Santorum that he was suspending his campaign. Mr. Toner told *First Read* that using the term 'suspend' is a political, rather than a legal, distinction.

"It gives you more flexibility politically" and could provide "political cover to get back in the race," if a candidate wanted to do so, said Mr. Toner, the former chairman of the Federal Election Commission. "It gives you more wiggle room."

Mr. Toner added that there is nothing a candidate would file with the FEC to say they are "suspending" their campaign.

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