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**Mark Halperin, Michael Steele,
Goldie Taylor, & Steve Gill**

Noted scholars include:

**Siegfried Wiessner, Helen Elaine Lee,
Dr. Charles Hubbard, and Akram Faizer**



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Michael Steele is Former Chairman of the Republican National Committee. Following a successful legal career where he practiced as a corporate securities attorney, Steele later started his own consulting firm. He served as chairman of the Maryland Republican Party from 2000 to 2003, and became the Maryland Lieutenant Governor in 2003. Steele was elected RNC Chairman by a final vote of 91 to 77 over Katon Dawson.



Goldie Taylor is a Media Consultant and frequent *CNN* contributor. Taylor is managing director of Goldie Taylor Brand Communications, a New York-based media consultancy. A veteran, journalist, political strategist, and author, Taylor started her career over 24 years ago as an active duty Marine.



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Dr. Charles Hubbard serves as professor of history, Lincoln historian and director of the Abraham Lincoln Institute for the Study of Leadership and Public Policy at Lincoln Memorial University. A noted Lincoln expert, Hubbard was awarded a special Abraham Lincoln Bicentennial edition of The Order of Lincoln, the highest honor bestowed by the State of Illinois, in 2009. He was honored for his lifetime of work in the field of Lincolniana which includes five books.



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