Politics: A Zero-Sum Game?

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Overcoming ideological divides in the political battlefield, with **William Haslam**, former Governor of Tennessee, and **Dan Lipinski**, former U.S. Congressman, moderated by **Kimberly Shankman**, Dean of Benedictine College, Atchison, KS

The Encounter 2022 will explore how seeking the truth in any human endeavor, and loving it more than one's own preconceived opinions, is essential in order to overcome ideological divides and restore a much-needed trust in each other and our public institutions. An area where the opposite seems to apply is politics. This is why examples of seeking the truth more than winning an argument and bridging the sectarian divide that dominates the political arena, even to the point of sacrificing personal power, are so important. Both speakers have long careers on the political frontlines and will share stories of these attempts and their views about where to go from here.