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List of Democracy Watch's 2026 Media Appearances

Please see listed below links to almost all of Democracy Watch's Media Appearances in 2026

(NOTE: some TV and radio interviews are not in the list because they have not been archived online by the media outlet, and some links may not work if the media outlet has changed the link, or the link may require you to subscribe to see the article)

342 media appearances in 2026 (including 47 national appearances)

May 20, 2026

<https://www.cbc.ca/news/politics/mps-sponsored-travel-lobbying-9.7201749>

May 19, 2026

<https://www.cbc.ca/news/canada/north/notorious-north-yukon-political-party-financing-9.7202004>

May 14, 2026

<https://www.cbc.ca/news/canada/north/whitehorse-woman-who-lost-29k-to-scammers-denied-reimbursement-from-td-bank-9.7195321>

May 14, 2026

<https://www.canadianaffairs.news/2026/05/14/editorial-canadas-election-blind-spots/>

May 13, 2026

<https://tj.news/new-brunswick/lobbyist-changes-still-leave-some-of-the-biggest-loopholes-watchdog>

May 12, 2026 – GlobalNews.ca, *Toronto Star* and 7 other media outlets (all publishing Canadian Press wire article)

<https://globalnews.ca/news/11845609/new-brunswick-lobbying-rules/>

May 7, 2026

<https://www.cbc.ca/news/canada/british-columbia/bill-9-all-night-debate-9.7191838>

May 7, 2026 – Democracy Watch in Northern Perspective YouTube channel video re: how Prime Minister Mark Carney has violated Canada's government ethics law

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=r6CkBkcvw6Y>

May 7, 2026 – Democracy Watch in Northern Perspective YouTube channel video re: the problems with the secretive, partisan, ruling party controlled appointment process for the Governor General, Senators, Officers of Parliament (democracy watchdogs), RCMP Commissioner and top officers and judges, and how to solve those problems

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=mbU1moTRSrQ>

May 6, 2026 – Democracy Watch Co-founder Duff Conacher on the Fight Back Podcast by Zoomer Media re: Governor General should not be handpicked by the Prime Minister

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=TquTp9TTMB8>

May 6, 2026

<https://globalnews.ca/video/11838077/metro-vancouver-pne-contract-secrecy/>

May 6, 2026

<https://www.hilltimes.com/2026/05/06/off-the-record-government-bills-increasingly-passing-house-without-recorded-tally/501647/>

May 5, 2026

<https://theyee.ca/News/2026/05/05/BC-Lobbying-Law-Changes/>

May 5, 2026

<https://torontosun.com/news/national/louise-arbour-next-canada-governor-general>

May 2, 2026 – Global News Ontario re: Ontario PC Party Premier Doug Ford's excessive secrecy changes to the province's FOI law and Democracy Watch's court challenge of the changes

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=0tRBKCFDWu8>

May 2, 2026 – Global News Focus Ontario show re: Ontario PC Party Premier Doug Ford's excessive secrecy changes to the province's FOI law and Democracy Watch's court challenge of the changes

<https://globalnews.ca/video/11826784/ontarios-freedom-of-information-requests-scraped-as-watchdog-waits-for-impact/>

April 30, 2026

<https://globalnews.ca/news/11824648/democracy-watch-legal-challenge-foi-budget/>

April 27, 2026

<https://www.theglobeandmail.com/canada/article-carney-expected-to-have-more-western-canada-candidates-to-pick-from/>

April 25, 2026

<https://www.thebureau.news/p/parliaments-ethics-committee-calls>

April 25, 2026

<https://nationalpost.com/news/mark-carney-ethics-report-conflict-of-interest>

April 24, 2026

<https://www.hilltimes.com/2026/04/24/former-liberal-mp-warns-of-unintended-consequences-to-mp-rights-in-review-of-lobbying-act-if-we-continue-down-this-road-you-know-where-it-ends-ankle-bracelets-for-lobbyists/501471/>

April 24, 2026

<https://www.law360.ca/ca/articles/2469844/ontario-foi-changes-one-of-the-most-serious-attacks-on-the-public-s-right-to-know-in-years-expert>

April 24, 2026

<https://globalnews.ca/news/11814819/ontario-code-conduct-overhaul-confident-pass/>

April 23, 2026

<https://www.theglobeandmail.com/politics/article-ethics-committee-prime-minister-assets-tax-havens/>

April 23, 2026

<https://www.cbc.ca/news/politics/mark-carney-ethics-blind-trust-9.7174747>

April 23, 2026

<https://ottawacitizen.com/public-service/penalties-conflict-of-interest-christiane-fox>

April 23, 2026

<https://torontosun.com/opinion/editorials/editorial-federal-conflict-law-is-notoriously-weak>

April 23, 2026

<https://www.el-balad.com/16921738>

April 22, 2026

<https://www.canadianaffairs.news/2026/04/22/canadas-lobbying-commissioner-rules-draw-criticism/>

April 21, 2026

<https://www.ctvnews.ca/calgary/article/democratic-protections-in-alberta-could-be-unravelling-as-ucp-reverses-binding-referendum-result-opposition-parties-watchdogs/>

April 17, 2026

<https://www.winnipegfreepress.com/breakingnews/2026/04/17/tory-mla-vowed-to-pay-1m-to-bail-out-niece-convicted-of-sex-crimes>

April 16, 2026 – Democracy Watch on the Northern Perspective podcast re: House Ethics Committee review of Canada's government ethics law, and conflict of interest of a Liberal MP on the Committee

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=UXlapbZCsZ0>

April 15, 2026

<https://www.biv.com/news/economy-law-politics/ex-consultants-now-drafting-bc-mine-permit-they-once-promoted-12063721>

April 14, 2026

<https://ottawacitizen.com/public-service/deputy-minister-prime-minister-democracy-watch-christiane-fox>

April 13, 2026

<https://nationalpost.com/news/canada/dnd-boss-expresses-no-regret-over-breaking-hiring-rules-to-advance-diversity-goals>

April 13, 2026

<https://www.hilltimes.com/2026/04/13/its-transparency-not-obstruction-says-green-leader-may-as-critics-call-out-feds-bill-for-backtracking-trudeau-era-fundraising-rules/499229/>

April 9, 2026 – Democracy Watch Co-founder Duff Conacher on Moore in the Morning show on CFRB 1010 (Toronto) re: coalition of groups filing constitutional challenge of PC Party Premier Doug Ford's Bill 5 *Special Economic Zones Act* (from the 6:05 mark to the 9:25 mark of the show)

<https://www.iheart.com/podcast/962-moore-in-the-morning-107770507/episode/hour-3-a-coalition-of-public-329587651/>

April 9, 2026

<https://futureofgood.co/environmental-groups-launch-legal-challenge-against-ontarios-special-economic-zones/>

April 8, 2026

<https://www.theglobeandmail.com/canada/article-constitutional-challenge-ontario-special-economic-zones-act-bill-5/>

April 8, 2026

https://www.thestar.com/politics/provincial/doug-fords-bill-5-called-a-dangerously-undemocratic-law-as-legal-challenge-is-launched/article_add3245f-b5b9-437a-b9a8-0b2a440bb3cf.html

April 8, 2026 – CBC Toronto, CTV Toronto, *Toronto Star* and 40 other media outlets (all publishing Canadian Press wire article)

<https://www.cbc.ca/news/canada/toronto/ford-government-bill-5-legal-challenge-9.7156329>

April 8, 2026

<https://www.nationalobserver.com/2026/04/08/news/ford-faces-fresh-court-challenge-against-special-economic-zones>

April 8, 2026

<https://www.law360.ca/ca/articles/2463148/ford-government-s-special-economic-zone-law-facing-constitutional-challenge>

April 8, 2026

<https://www.thetrillium.ca/insider-news/politics/non-profits-launch-constitutional-challenge-of-ontarios-special-economic-zones-12114516>

and

<https://www.villagereport.ca/village-picks/non-profits-launch-constitutional-challenge-of-ontarios-special-economic-zones-12117638>

April 8, 2026

<https://thepointer.com/article/2026-04-08/four-environmental-groups-taking-ford-pcs-to-court-over-dangerous-special-economic-zones-act>

April 8, 2026

https://www.thestar.com/politics/political-opinion/doug-fords-latest-power-grab-is-another-attack-on-democracy/article_5c17f8dc-cf54-40e5-8d05-26f53b4f90c2.html

April 8, 2026

<https://torontosun.com/news/national/champagne-recusal-watchdog-ban-ethics-screens>

April 7, 2026

<https://www.cbc.ca/news/politics/champagne-baudet-alto-carney-9.7154989>

April 7, 2026

<https://nationalpost.com/news/politics/carney-defends-ministers-connection-to-rail-project-as-tories-call-for-investigation>

April 6, 2026

https://www.thestar.com/politics/federal/carney-government-plans-to-water-down-disclosure-rules-for-fundraisers/article_c9e7c068-447c-4615-9031-693f96b0cd8b.html

April 6, 2026

<https://www.hilltimes.com/2026/04/06/access-act-requires-lobbying-commissioner-to-disclose-records-of-completed-investigations-within-30-days-duff-conacher/496622/>

April 4, 2026

https://www.thestar.com/news/gta/doug-fords-government-wont-hand-over-bike-lane-emails-why-critics-say-its-a-sign-of-things-to-come/article_7e3a7817-1de9-4dde-8cdd-9bb7c356ea72.html

April 1, 2026

<https://www.hilltimes.com/2026/04/01/mp-sponsored-travel-failing-to-launch-under-new-lobbying-rules/497837/>

March 31, 2026

<https://www.theglobeandmail.com/canada/article-foi-changes-ontario-secretive-government-advocates/>

March 31, 2026

<https://www.ctvnews.ca/politics/article/how-much-pierre-poilievres-byelection-could-cost-canadians/>

March 31, 2026

<https://www.cbc.ca/news/gopublic/cta-lowers-air-passenger-complaints-fee-9.7148051>

March 30, 2026 – *Toronto Star* and 19 other media outlets across Canada (all publishing Canadian Press wire article)

https://www.thestar.com/news/canada/liberals-dismiss-call-for-law-to-ensure-political-fibs-and-flubs-dont-eclipse-facts/article_6b1a0933-8995-545d-ba24-04a4047a1f8b.html

March 30, 2026

<https://www.cbc.ca/news/canada/windsor/sarnia-bill-9-legislation-9.7143999>

March 30, 2026

<https://www.cbc.ca/news/canada/saskatchewan/cheveldayoff-constituency-sublease-sask-9.7093654>

March 30, 2026

<https://maytree.com/publications/whither-withering-democracy-in-canada/>

March 29, 2026

<https://tj.news/new-brunswick/are-mlas-accepting-gifts-if-they-are-they-arent-disclosing-them>

March 26, 2026

<https://www.ipolitics.ca/2026/03/26/federal-election-foreign-interference-canada-mackinnon/>

March 26 – Democracy Watch Co-founder Duff Conacher on CBC Windsor Radio's Up to Speed afternoon show re: what should happen to municipal councillors who are alleged to have violated the law

<https://www.cbc.ca/listen/live-radio/1-111-up-to-speed/clip/16205689-a-political-experts-take-procedure-public-office-criminal>

March 25, 2026

<https://www.cbc.ca/news/politics/members-parliament-sponsored-travel-9.7140842>

March 24, 2026 – GlobalNews.ca, CTVNews.ca, *Toronto Star* and 57 other media outlets across Canada (all publishing Canadian Press wire article)

<https://www.ctvnews.ca/edmonton/article/four-premiers-ask-for-greater-say-in-superior-appeal-court-judge-appointments/>

March 24, 2026

<https://www.gpbriefing.com/news/premiers-push-for-a-provincial-role-in-judicial-appointments-but-might-face-resistance-from>

March 23, 2026

<https://www.theenergymix.com/alberta-landowner-alleges-mafia-style-meeting-demands-as-energy-regulators-ethics-investigation-stalls/>

March 17, 2026

<https://www.theglobeandmail.com/opinion/editorials/article-secret-canada-dougs-transparent-cloak-of-self-serving-secrecy/>

March 16, 2026

<https://www.hilltimes.com/2026/03/16/democracy-watch-criticizes-secret-rulings-but-federal-lobbying-office-cites-privacy-requirements-in-investigations/495457/>

March 14, 2026

<https://www.cbc.ca/news/canada/toronto/ontario-ford-changing-foi-rules-9.7127884>

March 13, 2026

<https://www.ctvnews.ca/toronto/article/ontario-moves-to-keep-documents-from-premier-and-cabinet-minister-offices-secret/>

March 13, 2026

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ro9mv0_YpN0&list=PLLzHOgGvydCkhlyZ9JSv71dydFMiTq9qX&index=49

March 12, 2026

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=MvKDgbGokm4>

March 11, 2026

<https://theoppositionnewsnetwork.substack.com/p/democracy-watch-says-mps-gave-lobbying>

March 11, 2026

<https://www.ledevoir.com/monde/etats-unis/962997/entreprises-canadiennes-ont-finance-campagne-elus-nient-defaite-trump-2020>

March 10, 2026

<https://www.nationalobserver.com/2026/03/10/news/fossil-fuels-logging-carneys-old-employer-meet-canadian-companies-donating-election>

March 10, 2026

<https://www.canadianaffairs.news/2026/03/10/ndp-leadership-race-vulnerable-to-fraud-foreign-interference/>

March 9, 2026

<https://www.cbc.ca/news/gopublic/tuition-scam-9.7115857>

February 25, 2026

<https://www.desmog.com/2026/02/25/carney-allowed-gas-powered-ai-centres-after-lobbying-from-alberta-energy-company/>

February 23, 2026 – Democracy Watch Co-founder Duff Conacher on CTV News Winnipeg re: the federal NDP has no process to confirm that voters in its party leadership contest are citizens or permanent residents, one of many foreign interference loopholes in Canada's federal laws

<https://www.ctvnews.ca/winnipeg/video/2026/02/23/organization-warning-about-gaps-in-voter-identification/>

February 20, 2026

<https://theijf.org/article/how-political-influencers-avoid-election-rules-transparency-and-consequences>

February 20, 2026

<https://www.hilltimes.com/story/2026/02/20/questions-loom-over-ndps-voter-verification-process-as-leadership-contest-enters-final-stretch/492482/>

February 20, 2026

https://www.thestar.com/politics/should-mps-be-allowed-to-switch-parties-answering-your-questions-on-the-details-of-floor/article_71aa7a12-1e40-4c51-ad41-649c330bc655.html

February 19, 2026

<https://theyee.ca/News/2026/02/19/Premier-Smith-Right-Judge-Choices-Partisan/>

February 18, 2026 – *Toronto Star*, iPolitics and 25 other media outlets across Canada (all publishing Canadian Press wire article)

https://www.thestar.com/politics/federal/carneys-closed-door-fundraisers-a-step-back-for-ethics-in-politics-expert/article_e0460e60-2694-5946-a223-b95ac484258a.html

February 13, 2026

<https://thehub.ca/2026/02/13/scandalous-politicians-could-finally-face-serious-consequences-if-this-supreme-court-case-is-won-says-democracy-watchdog/>

February 11, 2026

<https://theijf.org/brief/democracy-watch-investigation-kaur-spacex>

February 10, 2026

<https://thewalrus.ca/carney-wealth-brookfield/>

February 5, 2026 – Democracy Watch Co-founder Duff Conacher on The Hub video and audio podcasts re: Democracy Watch's appeal at the Supreme Court of Canada in its case challenging the Ethics Commissioner's ruling in Trudeau-WE Charity scandal

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=79BY5SU9q80>

and

<https://podcasts.apple.com/ca/podcast/why-trudeaus-we-scandal-is-heading-to-the-supreme-court/id1605647948?i=1000748422666>

February 2, 2026

<https://www.cbc.ca/news/politics/carney-trudeau-government-appointments-9.7069060>

January 30, 2026

<https://futureofgood.co/what-a-recent-supreme-court-hearing-could-mean-for-housing-immigration-and-employment-tribunals-across-canada/>

January 28, 2026

<https://nationalmagazine.ca/en-ca/articles/law/hot-topics-in-law/2026/courts-in-session>

January 27, 2026

<https://www.administrativelawmatters.com/blog/2026/01/27/the-democracy-watch-case-at-the-supreme-court-of-canada/>

January 26, 2026

<https://www.uottawa.ca/faculty-law/common-law/news/we-charity-case-faculty-members-involved-landmark-supreme-court-canada-hearing>

January 26, 2026

<https://thepointer.com/article/2026-01-26/legal-experts-advocates-slam-niagara-falls-council-for-sending-4k-bill-to-silence-resident-who-filed-complaint-to-integrity-commissioner>

January 16, 2026 – Democracy Watch Co-founder Duff Conacher on CTV News Winnipeg re: Democracy Watch's appeal at the Supreme Court of Canada challenging the Ethics Commissioner's ruling in Trudeau-WE Charity scandal

<https://www.ctvnews.ca/winnipeg/video/2026/01/16/we-charity-scandal-court-battle/>

January 16, 2026

<https://theoppositionnewsnetwork.substack.com/p/we-charity-appeal-day-2-provinces>

January 15, 2026

<https://www.cbc.ca/news/politics/top-court-we-charity-scandal-hearings-ethics-challenge-9.7045081>

January 15, 2026

<https://theoppositionnewsnetwork.substack.com/p/we-charity-appeal-opens-at-supreme>

January 14, 2026 – CityNews, *Toronto Star* and 20 other media outlets across Canada (all publishing Canadian Press wire article)

<https://vancouver.citynews.ca/2026/01/14/top-court-to-look-at-whether-challenge-of-ethics-ruling-in-trudeau-case-can-proceed-2/>

January 14, 2026 – Democracy Watch Co-founder Duff Conacher on the Northern Perspective podcast re: the first day of hearings at the Supreme Court of Canada of Democracy Watch's appeal in its case challenging the Ethics Commissioner's ruling in Trudeau-WE Charity scandal

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=IRYF4yxKBlo>

January 14, 2026

<https://www.ctvnews.ca/canada/article/everyday-justice-at-stake-in-supreme-court-hearing-over-we-charity-scandal/>

January 14, 2026 – Democracy Watch Co-founder Duff Conacher on the Northern Perspective podcast re: Democracy Watch's court case challenging the Ethics Commissioner's ruling in Trudeau-WE Charity scandal heads to Supreme Court of Canada

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=GVNLZbXi9NQ>

January 12, 2026

<https://www.theglobeandmail.com/canada/article-supreme-court-trudeau-we-charity-scandal-revisit/>

January 12, 2026

<https://theoppositionnewsnetwork.substack.com/p/we-charity-reopened-and-ottawa-is>

January 12, 2026 – CTVNews.ca, *Toronto Star* and 4 other media outlets (all publishing Canadian Press wire article)

<https://www.ctvnews.ca/business/article/trumps-credit-card-plan-revives-question-of-when-do-interest-rates-become-too-high/>

January 7, 2026

<https://www.theglobeandmail.com/politics/article-chrystia-freeland-resigns-mp-ukraine-advisory-role-volodymyr-zelensky/>

January 6, 2026

<https://www.theglobeandmail.com/politics/article-freeland-carney-leave-parliament/>

January 6, 2026

<https://www.ipolitics.ca/2026/01/05/ethics-watchdog-calls-on-freeland-to-resign-as-mp-after-accepting-role-advising-ukrainian-president/>

January 6, 2026 – *Toronto Star*, Yahoo.com and 10 other media outlets across Canada (all publishing Canadian Press wire article)

<https://ca.news.yahoo.com/chrystia-freeland-named-economic-adviser-105035419.html>

January 5, 2026

<https://www.theglobeandmail.com/politics/article-chrystia-freeland-calls-resign-appointed-zelensky-advisor-ukraine/>