PAUL M. SMITH

Paul M. Smith joined the Campaign Legal Center as the Vice President of Litigation and Strategy in January 2017. Smith works directly with CLC’s talented team of litigators to protect and improve our democracy through innovative litigation strategies.

Smith has more than three decades of experience litigating a wide range of cases. He has argued before the U.S. Supreme Court 19 times and secured numerous victories, including in important cases advancing civil liberties. Two examples are Lawrence v. Texas, the landmark gay rights case, and Brown v. Entertainment Merchants Ass’n, which established First Amendment rights of those who produce and sell video games.

Smith previously served as a partner for the law firm Jenner & Block, where he was a member of the firm’s Content, Media & Entertainment Practice. In addition to Smith’s work at CLC, he teaches as a Distinguished Visitor from Practice at Georgetown University Law Center. Smith is a member and former chair of the National Board of Directors of the American Constitution Society and former board member and co-chair of Lambda Legal. He is also a member of the Board of Trustees of Amherst College.