

2022: Thomas Edsall

Edsall is a *New York Times* Contributing Op-Ed Writer, whose weekly column covers American politics, inequality, campaign strategy and demographics. He had an impressive twenty-five-year journalistic career at *The Washington Post*, covering national politics, presidential elections, the House and Senate, lobbying, tax policy, demographic trends, social welfare, the politics of race and ethnicity, and organized labor.

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