

## NEWSNATION NAMES MICHAEL CORN AS PRESIDENT OF PROGRAMMING AND SPECIALS; CHERIE GRZECH NAMED PRESIDENT AND MANAGING EDITOR OF NEWS AND POLITICS

## Senior Executives Agree to New Multi-Year Contract Extensions

## Network to Expand News Programming to 24-Hours Per Day Later This Spring

**CHICAGO, IL (April 30, 2024)** – NewsNation, America's fastest-growing cable news network in primetime, today announced that Michael Corn has been named President of Programming & Specials and Cherie Grzech has been elevated to President and Managing Editor of News & Politics. Both Mr. Corn and Ms. Grzech have signed new multi-year agreements with the network and will report directly to Sean Compton, President of Newstar's Networks division.

"NewsNation's remarkable growth over the past three years is a testament to Michael and Cherie's exceptional leadership," said Sean Compton, President of Nexstar's Networks division. "As we steer our organization into a full 24/7 operation later this spring, we are thrilled to have them guiding the network in these newly focused roles."

Mr. Corn will relocate full-time to the New York bureau and focus on growing the network's flagship programs, including *Morning in America, Elizabeth Vargas Reports, On Balance with Leland Vittert, CUOMO, Dan Abrams Live,* and *Banfield.* Under his leadership, all three primetime programs have increased their total audience, with *CUOMO* up nearly 20 percent overall year- to-date compared to the year prior. Since May 2021, Mr. Corn has served as President of News and was responsible for the long-term strategy and day-to-day operations for the network's programming and expansion. During his tenure at the network, he has spearheaded the creation of multiple programs, including the top-rated *CUOMO*, and overseen multiple town halls on topics such as crime, vocational trade jobs, and the toxic train derailment in East Palestine, Ohio. Earlier this year, he re-signed primetime veteran hosts Dan Abrams and Ashleigh Banfield to new multi-year deals. Previously, he served as Senior Executive Producer of ABC News' signature morning program, *Good Morning America* which was the number one morning show in the country for nine seasons.

In Ms. Grzech's new role, she will oversee all news and political programming, including *NewsNation Live, NewsNation Now, The Hill,* and *The Hill Sunday.* In addition, she will lead all network operations and manage all news staff. Previously, Ms. Grzech served as Senior Vice President and Managing Editor of News and Politics. During her tenure at NewsNation, she has overseen numerous presidential candidate town halls and set up all newsgathering operations for the organization. Prior to NewsNation, Ms. Grzech worked at FOX News for over a decade, where she was Vice President of the Washington D.C. bureau serving as a liaison to all presidential candidates and debates.



Over the last year, Mr. Corn and Ms. Grzech have been instrumental in the growth of NewsNation. Earlier this year, the network marked a major milestone by expanding to become a 24-hour cable news network Monday through Friday. The organization has also signed key journalists and talent such as Elizabeth Vargas, Blake Burman, Connell McShane, and Geraldo Rivera, among others. Recently, the network launched weekend editions of *Morning in America*, *NewsNation Live*, and *The Hill Sunday* with Chris Stirewalt. In December, the network hosted its first presidential primary debate in Tuscaloosa, Alabama, which garnered more than 4 million viewers across NewsNation and The CW Network.

## **About NewsNation**

NewsNation, a Nexstar Media Group, Inc. (Nasdaq: NXST) property, is the fastest-growing national cable news network in primetime reaching nearly 70 million television households across the United States. Validated by independent watchdog groups, NewsNation is America's source for engaging and unbiased news, which reflects the full range of perspectives across the country. The network draws on the local and national expertise of Nexstar Media Group's 6,000 journalists in 110 newsrooms across the country. NewsNation is available on every major cable and satellite providers, streaming platforms including YouTubeTV, Hulu, DirecTV Stream, FuboTV and Sling, online at <u>www.newsnationnow.com</u>, and on the NewsNationNow app available on Android and iOS.

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