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As America campaigns for democracy abroad, serious questions remain about the low level of participation by Americans in elections and the gaps in their knowledge about public life. [Dr. Ferejohn](https://its.law.nyu.edu/facultyprofiles/profile.cfm?section=bio&personID=19914) (https://its.law.nyu.edu/facultyprofiles/profile.cfm?section=bio&personID=19914) discussed his research on the Citizens' Assembly in British Columbia and its implications for concrete reform and for the potential for deliberation and participation.

[The Citizens' Assembly Model \(/sites/hhh.umn.edu/files/the_citizens_assembly_model.pdf\)](/sites/hhh.umn.edu/files/the_citizens_assembly_model.pdf)



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John Ferejohn's primary areas of scholarly interest include the development of positive political theory and especially its application to the study of legal and political institutions and behavior. His current research focuses on Congress and policy making, courts within the separation of powers system, constitutional adjudication from a comparative perspective, democratic theory and law, and the philosophy of social science.

Ferejohn taught as a Professor of Social Science at The California Institute of Technology (1972-1983), before joining the Stanford Faculty as Professor of Political Science (with courtesy appointments as well in Economics and the Graduate School of Business) where he served from 1983 to 2009. He has been a regular visiting Professor at NYU Law School from 1993 to 2009, and was then appointed the Samuel Tilden Professor of Law.

He is a member of the American Academy of Arts and Science and the National Academy of Sciences and is a member of the editorial boards of *Social Choice and Welfare*, *Democratization*, *Supreme Court Economic Review* and the Cambridge Press series *Philosophy and Law and Economics and Philosophy*.

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