# NEWSNATION, THE HILL, AND DECISION DESK HQ ANNOUNCE PARTNERSHIP FOR 2025 AND 2026 ELECTIONS

Chicago, IL (March 31, 2025) – Nexstar Media Group, Inc.'s NewsNation and *The Hill* today announced a new comprehensive agreement with Decision Desk HQ (DDHQ) covering the 2025 and 2026 election cycles. Under the terms of the agreement, Decision Desk HQ will provide NewsNation and *The Hill* with exclusive election data, voter analysis, polling information, and other insight into various political races across the country. On election nights throughout 2025 and 2026, DDHQ will once again join NewsNation to make race projections. The new agreement builds upon DDHQ's successful collaboration with NewsNation in 2024, when the network became the first television news organization to project that former President Donald Trump would win a second term.

"We look forward to welcoming our terrific partners at Decision Desk HQ for yet another election season," said Cherie Grzech, President of News & Politics for NewsNation and *The Hill*. "They are masters of their craft who allow the results to be driven solely by the data. NewsNation's top priority is to remain independent and transparent in the election process."

NewsNation will continue to leverage DDHQ's Election View System (EVS), allowing the network's correspondents and analysts to bring viewers an in-depth understanding of how key races are developing through the course of the election season. DDHQ's EVS provides NewsNation viewers with unique datasets and tools including its live Election Night Pulse, updating a candidate's probability of winning, its presidential and other key-race polling averages, and its forecast model, which in 2024 was the most accurate of any in predicting the outcome of the race for the White House.

The extended partnership also means that *The Hill* will once again feature DDHQ's polling averages, forecast models, polls, race calls, and final results in a dedicated Election Center.

"We're excited to continue our partnership with the great teams at NewsNation and *The Hill*, who share our commitment to accuracy, transparency, and explaining to Americans what they need to know about their elections," said Drew McCoy, President of Decision Desk HQ. "We look forward to helping these great journalists tell the important stories of next year's midterms and what this year's outcomes do and don't mean for 2026."

Throughout the 2024 primary and general elections, NewsNation provided its viewers with an inside look at how real-time critical calls were made, including how the information was gathered, and where it came from. According to Nielsen, Election Night 2024 marked the network's third highest-rated primetime audience ever.

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## **About The Hill**

The Hill is the nation's leading digital-first political news brand and the definitive source for non-partisan political news and information. Inside the Beltway it's known as an essential, agenda-setting read for lawmakers and influencers. Beyond the Capitol, millions of Americans turn to The Hill to decode how events in Washington will impact their communities and lives.

#### **About NewsNation**

NewsNation, a Nexstar Media Group, Inc. (Nasdaq: NXST) property, is the country's source for "News for All Americans." Validated by independent watchdog groups, the network delivers engaging and unbiased news, reflecting the full range of perspectives across the country. In addition to its dedicated national staff of reporters, producers, and photographers, NewsNation draws on the local expertise of Nexstar's 6,000 journalists in 110 newsrooms across the country. NewsNation is fully distributed on every pay television platform in the United States, online at <a href="www.newsnationnow.com">www.newsnationnow.com</a>, and on the NewsNationNow mobile app, available on Android and iOS.

### **About Decision Desk HQ**

Decision Desk HQ is a leading provider of real-time election results and race calls, and the only provider to cover US elections from the presidency and Congress to the county and city level. Launched in 2012 with the goal of using technology to improve the speed and lower the cost of collecting election returns, we were first to correctly call the US presidency in 2016, 2020 and 2024. We were first to call control of Congress in 2022 and control of the US House of Representatives in 2024. Each cycle, we also systematically cover tens of thousands of local races that no other provider covers. We continue to innovate with new technologies to drive more efficient results reporting that prioritizes accuracy and trust in the democratic process. For more information, visit us at decisiondeskhq.com

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