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Bill Donohue was Honorably Discharged from the U.S. Air Force in 1970, and began his teaching career in 1973 working at St. Lucy's School in Spanish Harlem. In 1977, he took a position as a college professor teaching at La Roche College in Pittsburgh. In 1980, Bill was awarded his Ph.D. in sociology from New York University. In 2022, he was awarded an Honorary Doctorate of Laws from Ave Maria School of Law.

Bill is the author of [eleven books](#) and thousands of articles. His first book, *The Politics of the American Civil Liberties Union*, was published in 1985. His next book, *The New Freedom: Individualism and Collectivism in the Social Lives of*

Americans, was written while Bill was a Bradley Resident Scholar at The Heritage Foundation; it appeared in 1990. Bill's third book, *Twilight of Liberty: The Legacy of the ACLU*, was published in 1994; a new afterword to this book was published in 2001. His next book, *Secular Sabotage: How Liberals are Destroying Religion and Culture in America*, was published in 2009. *Why Catholicism Matters: How Catholic Virtues Can Reshape Society in the 21st Century* was published in 2012. This was followed by *The Catholic Advantage: Why Health, Happiness, and Heaven Await the Faithful*; it was published in 2015. In 2016, *Unmasking Mother Teresa's Critics* was published. *Common Sense Catholicism: How to Resolve Our Cultural Crisis*, was published in 2019. *The Truth About Clergy Sexual Abuse: Clarifying the Facts and Causes* was published in 2021. *War on Virtue: How the Ruling Class is Killing the American Dream* was published in 2023. His latest book, *Cultural Meltdown: The Secular Roots of our Moral Crisis*, was published in 2024.

In 2023, Bill starred in, and was co-executive producer of, an award-winning documentary on Disney, titled, [Walt's Disenchanted Kingdom](#).

Bill is the president and CEO of the Catholic League for Religious and Civil Rights, the nation's largest Catholic civil rights organization. The publisher of the Catholic League journal, *Catalyst*, he served for two decades on the board of directors of the National Association of Scholars. He writes regular columns for Newsmax.com.

Bill also serves on the advisory boards of many organizations, including the Society of Catholic Social Scientists, and the Christian Film & Television Commission.

Winner of several teaching awards, and many awards from the Catholic community, Bill has appeared on thousands of television and radio shows speaking on civil liberties, social issues, and religion.