What I Wish I Knew Then: Rahm Emanuel

In "What I Wish I Knew Then: Rahm Emanuel" (New York Law Journal, November 3, 2026), Rahm Emanuel, former senior advisor for policy and strategy to President Bill Clinton; chief of staff to President Barack Obama; three-term Congressman representing Illinois's 5th Congressional district; and two-term Mayor of Chicago, talks to Pollock Cohen partner Steve Cohen and legal analyst Mia Generoso about his past impact and priorities for the future.

On leadership, Rahm discusses the need to make tough calls, lessons learned from former Presidents, and the importance of a team with strong views that cares about outcomes.

His advice to young professionals: Do not confuse your end with your means. Keep your goals clearly in sight but remain flexible on the route you take to achieve them. Compromise is valuable and effective along the way.

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