

# Yes or No: Social media should be more regulated to protect and promote the best interests of democracy, public health, and personal privacy.

## PARTICIPANTS

Arguing Yes — **JAMES STEYER**

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Arguing No — **JOHN SAMPLES**

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