

Adam Andrzejewski

A national leader in bringing transparency to government spending, Adam Andrzejewski, (Angie-f-ski) the eldest of seven children, was born in rural Herscher, IL-- a hardworking small town, and family farm community.

After working his way through Northern Illinois University, Adam and his brother successfully built a \$20 million dollar business which employed 160. Today, HomePages® is the nation's largest publisher of community telephone directories. Selling his share of the business to his brother in 2007, Adam began to focus on a life of public service.



In 2010, Adam ran for Governor of Illinois in the Republican primary. Adam was proud to be endorsed by Nobel Peace Prize winner and Solidarity founder Lech Walesa, among others. Adam promised he would post “every dime online in real time.” Despite a close loss on Election Day, Adam founded OpenTheBooks.com to fulfill his campaign pledge.

Today, **OpenTheBooks.com** contains over 2.3 billion lines of government spending. The Honorary Chairman of American Transparency (website: OpenTheBooks.com) is former U.S. Senator Dr. Tom Coburn – 2013 Time 100: 100 Most Influential People in the World.

May 29, 2013: *The Wall Street Journal* published Andrzejewski's editorial, “*Track Government Spending on Your Phone.*” The [editorial showcased our first-to-market technology](#) enabling taxpayers to search federal spending by ZIP code.

September 2013: **John Stossel FOX News - Innovation Nation Special** [featured an interview](#), and showcase of our data, technology, website and mobile app as ‘tech tools’ in public policy debate.

June, 2014: *USA Today* showcased quotes and OpenTheBooks.com data regarding Phoenix Veterans Administration salary and bonuses in two investigative pieces with national impact.

March, 2015: [Appearance on John Stossel - Chicago Special](#) fact checked Mayor Emanuel's campaign promise to “end pay-to-play in city hall” and helped change the discussion in the 2015 mayoral debate.

October, 2015: Dr. Tom Coburn's editorial in *The Wall Street Journal* showcased the addition of state checkbooks inside our award winning mobile app, [Tracking Government Waste, There's An App for That](#).

Adam is happily married to his wife Kerry and the proud father of three beautiful little girls. He is an avid runner, having run the Chicago Marathon on five occasions – including 2015. Adam is a lector at St. Isaac Jogues Catholic Church in Hinsdale, IL.

Accomplishments:

- ★ Chosen as a ‘2012 Young Leader’ for the Young Leaders Conference in Zurich, Switzerland hosted by American Swiss Foundation - founded by Ambassador Faith Whittlesey.
- ★ Sued Republican Comptroller Judy Baar-Topinka to successfully force open Illinois state payments amounting to a half trillion dollars of state checkbook spending since 2005.
- ★ Won 2013 “*Best Political App*” by prestigious Web Marketing Association.
- ★ Authored *OpenTheBooks Oversight Reports*: 1. Farm Subsidies in Urban Areas; 2. Fortune 100 Companies; 3. Veterans Affairs Salaries/Bonuses; 4. Small Business Administration Lending to the Wealthy Lifestyle; and, 5. Export – Import Bank; 6. EPA; 7. The Department of Self-Promotion (PR)
- ★ Andrzejewski is a **Forbes.com** editorial contributor – with nearly 500,000 unique online-views. Articles written about his work have published in *USA Today*, *Forbes Magazine*, *The Wall Street Journal*, *Investor's Business Daily*, *Chicago Tribune*, *Huffington Post*, *Washington Times*, *Washington Examiner*, *Sunlight Foundation*, *Breitbart*, *National Review*, *Franklin Center*, *Washington Free Beacon*, *HBO's Bill Maher blog*, and many others.