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Legal analysis & commentary delivered with clarity, savvy, & humor. Shan excels at breaking down complex legal & political topics into plain language with thought-provoking points of view. He appears frequently on CNN, NewsNation, and National Public Radio, and his video content on the Meidas Touch network channels garners views in the hundreds of thousands. His writing is regularly published in national print & digital platforms like The Daily Beast & MSNBC.

Shanlon "Shan" Wu is a former federal prosecutor who served as Counsel to Attorney General Janet Reno and is now a nationally known criminal defense & college student defense lawyer. He appears regularly on CNN, NewsNation, the Meidas Touch Channel networks, the BBC, National Public Radio, podcasts and streaming media, offering insightful, often humorous analysis on legal issues, including the controversies in the second Trump administration, an insider's view of the Justice Department, and analysis of notable criminal cases like the sex-trafficking cases involving Jeffrey Epstein, Sean Combs and R.Kelly cases where his experience at both prosecuting and defending sex crimes makes his insights particularly in demand. Notable cases have included his representation of Rick Gates – co-defendant with Paul Manafort – in the Mueller Russian probe, as well as the student defense case of Mimi Groves – the University of Tennessee cheerleader who was victimized by "cancel culture" – and a defendant in the "Fat Leonard" case – the largest bribery case in the history of the U.S. Navy.

Shan's writing on topics such as the stress test the judicial system is undergoing during the Trump era, the legitimacy of the U.S. Supreme Court, sexual assault, and the controversies arising from the Harvard Affirmative Action lawsuit brought by Asian American students, reflects a style honed by a MFA in Creative Writing from Sarah Lawrence College and an English Literature degree from Vassar College. His work has appeared in the Daily Beast, MSNBC, CNN Opinions, The Washington Post, The Hill, and xoJane. His content can also be found on his Substack, "Under Color of Law".

As the only child of Chinese immigrants who were political refugees, Shan brings a strong Asian American and minority perspective to the political and legal issues of the day. From his days of being the only Asian amateur boxer in tournaments and the first Asian American to win Best Advocate as both a first-year and upper-classman at Georgetown law school, to now being one of the only Asian lawyers on national television, Shan has always blazed his own trail.

Based in Washington, D.C., where he practices law, Shan is married and the proud parent of two daughters.

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Television

Trump vs. Harvard
CNN Newsroom – Omar Jimenez

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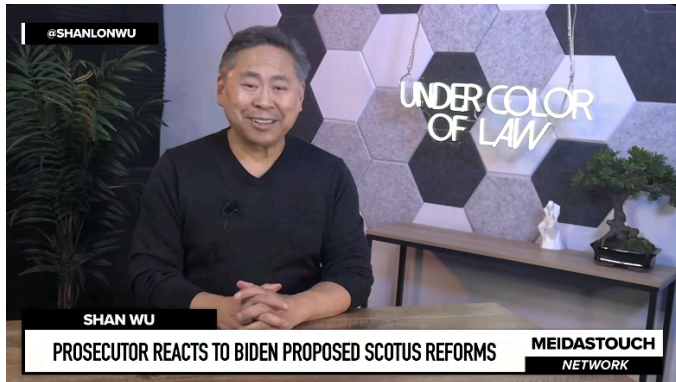**CNN - Laura Coates Live**

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