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Battle of the Ilyas, Round II. This Time, It's Personal

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For those of you in the D.C. Libertarian community, you will know that there are two Ilyas.

[Ilya Shapiro](#), a Senior Fellow of Constitutional Studies at the Cato Institute, and [Ilya Somin](#), a Professor at George Mason School of Law. Both are Libertarians. Both are Russian. Both have the same last initial. They often get confused, but they are nothing alike.

To resolve this name-game between these two brains, last year I hosted a trivia battle, dubbed the [Battle of the Ilyas](#). Shapiro was victorious. Ilya Shapiro has dutifully enjoyed his one-year reign as the undisputed Ilya of Washington, D.C. However, his term ends on November 24, 2010. Thus, it is time to fight again—Round Two of the Battle of the Ilyas began this evening.

Last week both Shapiro and Somin a 25-question quiz, based on the Judicial Clerkship Knowledge Quiz of the Honorable Danny J. Boggs.

After the parties complete the written component, we will record a podcast with several oral questions. Following the oral component, I will announce the winner of the 2nd Annual Battle of the Ilyas competition (and I gather Justice Kagan, and not Justice Scalia, will get the [reference](#) in the title of this post.)

May the best Ilya win!


For those of you who wish to play at home, here are the [questions](#).

Who will win the second Battle of the Ilyas?





Ilya Shapiro

Ilya Somin

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