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Social Media's Original Gatekeepers On Moderation's Rise And Fall - On with Kara Swisher | Podcast on Spotify

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Since the inception of social media, content moderation has been hotly debated by CEOs, politicians, and, of course, among the gatekeepers themselves: the trust and safety officers. And it's been a roller coaster ride — from an early hands-off approach, to bans and oversight boards, to the current rollback and "community notes" we're seeing from big guns like Meta, X, and YouTube.

So how do the folks who wrote the early rules of the road look at what's happening now in content moderation? And what impact will it have on the trust and safety of the platforms over the long term? This week, Kara speaks with Del Harvey, former head of Trust and Safety at Twitter (2008- 2021); Dave Willner, former head of Content Policy at Facebook (2010-2013); Nicole Wong, a First Amendment lawyer, former VP and deputy general counsel at Google (2004-2011), Twitter's legal director of product (2012-2013), and deputy chief technology officer during the Obama administration (2013-2014).

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