

INVITATION

A Homeland Security Strategy Forum

“Decision 2008: The Candidates’ Positions”

with:

Frank Keating
former Governor of Oklahoma

and

James Lee Witt
former FEMA Director

representing the
McCAIN Campaign

representing the
OBAMA Campaign

moderated by:
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at The Renwick Gallery
Pennsylvania Avenue at 17th Street, N.W.
6:00 - 8:00 P.M

The 2008 elections offer a unique and historic transition. We are guaranteed a change in leadership that guides our nation’s homeland security enterprise. Not since the Eisenhower Administration took over the Department of Defense or President Reagan took leadership over the Department of Energy have we had a point in history where the stewards of our nation’s security—in this case homeland security—would be wholly or mostly replaced for the first time. This presents those coming to power with a unique opportunity, but also a temptation—an opportunity to reform, revise and ultimately improve on the policies and processes that shape our national homeland security architecture, but also a temptation to potentially overcorrect. For nearly a year, candidates have been running for office. But neither candidate has offered a clear view of what homeland security in an Obama or McCain Presidency would look like.

Please join us and two of the leading surrogates for each campaign, for an evening of discussion and dialogue on how the next President intends to counter the terrorist threat and shape the US homeland security enterprise—what are the priorities and what are the greatest challenges.

The Homeland Security Strategy Forum is a partnership between CSIS and Deloitte, the purpose of which is to advance candid and insightful discussion, thinking and analysis on protecting America against the threat of catastrophic terrorism.

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