

ABOUT THE FORUM

In an effort to stimulate a national dialogue on the critical issue of homeland security strategy, in 2006, the Center for Strategic and International Studies, in partnership with Deloitte, established the Homeland Security Strategy Forum—the purpose of which is to advance discussion, thinking and analysis on protecting America against the threat of catastrophic terrorism.

The Forum is an informal and off-the-record gathering of senior government officials, diplomats and representatives from leading businesses, academia, and the public policy community. In the historical grand salon of the Smithsonian American Art Museum's Renwick Gallery, recognized thought leaders engage in a dialogue to help shift the course of future homeland security policies.

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For four decades, the Center for Strategic & International Studies (CSIS) has been dedicated to providing world leaders with strategic insights on - and policy solutions to - current and emerging global issues.

CSIS is led by Dr. John J. Hamre, formerly deputy secretary of defense, who became president and CEO in April 2000. It is guided by a board of trustees chaired by former Senator Sam Nunn and consisting of prominent individuals from both the public and private sectors.

The CSIS staff of 190 researchers and support staff focus primarily on three subject areas. First, CSIS addresses the full spectrum of new challenges to national and international security. Second, we maintain resident experts on all of the world's major geographical regions. Third, we are committed to helping to develop new methods of governance for the global age; to this end, CSIS has programs on technology and public policy, globalization, international trade and finance, and energy.

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Reception

Welcome

Greg Pellegrino
Managing Director, Global Public Sector
Deloitte

Moderated Discussion

Governor Frank Keating
President and Chief Executive Officer
American Council of Life Insurers
Representing the McCain Campaign

James Lee Witt
Chief Executive Officer
James Lee Witt Associates,
A Part of Global Options Group
Representing the Obama Campaign

Moderator
David Heyman
Director, Homeland Security Program
Center for Strategic Studies and International Studies

Question and Answer Session

Forum Concludes

Governor Frank Keating President and Chief Executive Officer American Council of Life Insurers

Governor Keating's 30-year career in law enforcement and public service included stints as an FBI agent; U.S. Attorney and state prosecutor; and Oklahoma House and Senate member. He served Presidents Ronald Reagan and George H.W. Bush in the Treasury, Justice, and Housing departments.

In 1993 he returned to Oklahoma to run for Governor. He won a three-way race by a landslide and was easily reelected in 1998, becoming only the second governor in Oklahoma history to serve two consecutive terms.

Governor Keating won national acclaim in 1995 for his compassionate and professional handling of the bombing of the Alfred P. Murrah Federal building in Oklahoma City. In the aftermath of the tragedy, he raised more than six million dollars to fund scholarships for the nearly 200 children left with only one or no parents.

James Lee Witt Chief Executive Officer James Lee Witt Associates

James Lee Witt has over 25 years of disaster management experience, culminating in his appointment as the Director of the Federal Emergency Management Agency, where he served from 1993-2001. In this capacity, he is credited with turning FEMA from an unsuccessful bureaucratic agency to an internationally lauded all-hazards disaster management agency. His leadership abilities have been praised by nationally recognized organizations, including the Council for Excellence in Government, Harvard University's Kennedy School of Government, and the National Association of Broadcasters.

From 1993 to 2000, Mr. Witt oversaw more than 350 disasters. More importantly, he was responsible for response and recovery operations for some of the most devastating disasters of all time, including the most costly flood disaster in the nation's history, the most costly earthquake, and a dozen damaging hurricanes.