DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS
Washington DC 20420

June 15, 2021

In Reply Refer To: 001B
FOIA Request 20-04681-F

Melanie Sloan
Senior Advisor
American Oversight
1030 15th Street NW, Suite B255
Washington, DC 20005
foia@americanoversight.org

Dear Ms. Sloan:

This is the Initial Agency Decision (IAD) to your Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) request to the Office of the Secretary, U.S. Dept. of Veterans Affairs (OSVA), dated February 25, 2020, and assigned FOIA tracking number **20-04681-F**. You originally requested, as quoted,

1. "All email communications (email messages, email attachments, complete email chains, calendar invitations, and attachments thereto) ~ by (1) anyone serving in the capacity of White House Liaison or White House Advisor (including anyone serving as their Chiefs of Staff or Deputies) to (2) anyone with an email address ending in .com/ .net/ .org / .edu /.mail / .us. American Oversight has limited its request to sent messages of the specified agency officials to reduce the volume of potentially responsive records. American Oversight still requests complete email chains. So, for example, if the White House Liaison sent a response to an incoming message from an email address specified above, the email chain containing the initially received message and the response is responsive to this request.
   Please provide all responsive records from January 1, 2019, through the date the search is conducted.
2. All records reflecting communications (including emails, email attachments, text messages, messages on messaging platforms (such as Slack, GChat or Google Hangouts, Lync, Skype, or WhatsApp), telephone call logs, calendar invitations, calendar entries, meeting notices, meeting agendas, informational material, talking points, any handwritten or electronic notes taken during any oral communications, summaries of any oral communications, or other materials) of (1) anyone serving in the capacity of White House Liaison or White House Advisor (including anyone serving as their Chiefs of Staff or Deputies) with or about (2) any of the below specified external entities or individuals:
   i. Virginia "Ginni" Thomas or any person communicating on her behalf, such as Crystal Clayton
   ii. Barbara Ledeen or any person communicating on her behalf
   iii. Becky Norton Dunlop or any person communicating on her behalf
   Please provide all responsive records from January I, 2019, through the date the search is conducted.
3. All records reflecting communications (including emails, email attachments, text messages, messages on messaging platforms (such as Slack, GChat or Google Hangouts, Lync, Skype, or WhatsApp), telephone call logs, calendar invitations, calendar entries, meeting notices, meeting agendas, informational material, talking points, any handwritten or electronic notes taken during any oral communications, summaries of any oral communications, or other materials) between (1) any political appointees* in the immediate front Office of the Secretary (or the senior-most official at your agency) as well as anyone serving in the capacity of White House Liaison or White House Advisor (including anyone serving as their Chiefs of Staff or Deputies) and (2) John McEntee, head of the Presidential Personnel Office at the White House, or anyone communicating on his behalf.

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Please provide all responsive records from February 1, 2020, through the date the search is conducted.
*"Political appointee" should be understood as any person who is a Presidential Appointee with Senate Confirmation (PAS), a Presidential Appointee (PA), a Non-career SES, any Schedule C employees, or any persons hired under Temporary Non-career SES Appointments, Limited Term SES Appointments, or Temporary Transitional Schedule C Appointments.

4. All records reflecting the content of a meeting between (1) anyone serving in the capacity of White House Liaison or White House Advisor (including anyone serving as their Chiefs of Staff or Deputies) and (2) John McEntee, head of the Presidential Personnel Office at the White House, on or about February 20, 2020,3 including any calendar entries, emails and other written communications about the meeting, agendas, lists of meeting attendees, minutes, summaries, handwritten notes, talking points, transcripts, or materials displayed or exchanged during the meeting.
Please provide all responsive records from February 1, 2020, through the date the search is conducted."

On April 30, 2020, you narrowed your FOIA request to, as quoted: "only 121 potentially responsive emails, but there are over 15,000 pages. This seems likely to be driven by large attachments. We are willing to exclude attachments from this request, and can simply submit narrow follow-up requests for any responsive attachment that we are particularly interested in" (emphasis in original).

Reasonable Searches Dated 3/27/20, 4/8/20, & 4/28/2020

On March 27, 2020, our search cut-off date, an OSVA FOIA Officer requested that the VA OIT office provide all responsive emails and calendar entries in its possession. On April 8, 2020, the VA OIT office provided responsive records, with an OSVA FOIA Officer to conduct secondary searches.

On April 28, 2020, an OSVA FOIA Officer conducted the following secondary search through the email boxes and calendar entries of former VA Secretary Robert Wilkie, former VA Deputy Secretary Jim Byrne, and former VA WH Liaison Darren Bossie.

Search 1
From: Bossie
To: .com or .net or .org or .edu or .mil or .us
Date: 1/1/19 to 3/27/20

Search 2
From: Bossie
To: Virginia or Clayton or Ledeen or Dunlop
Date: 1/1/19 to 3/27/20

Search 3
To: Bossie
From: Virginia or Clayton or Ledeen or Dunlop
Date: 1/1/19 to 3/27/20

Search 4
Emailbox: Bossie
Key term: (Virginia w/5 Thomas) or Clayton or Ledeen or Dunlop
Date: 1/1/19 to 3/27/20

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Search 5
From: Powers or Wilkie or RLW or Byrne or Bossie
To: McEntee
Date: 2/1/20 to 3/27/20

Search 6
To: Powers or Wilkie or RLW or Byrne or Bossie
From: McEntee
Date: 2/1/20 to 3/27/20

Search 7
Emailbox: Bossie
Key term: McEntee
Date: 2/1/20 to 3/27/20

Excluding large attachments, the above seven (7) searches yielded five hundred forty-nine (549) pages.

Initial Agency Decision
After reviewing the five hundred forty-nine (549) pages, OSVA redacts some information with FOIA Exemptions 2 and 6. 5 U.S.C. § 552(b)(2) exempts from disclosure information "related solely to the internal personnel rules and practices of an agency." In this instance, the redacted information relates solely to internal personnel rules and practices relating to **unsuccessful** VA applicants applying to work for the VA, including their names, identities, contact information, telephone numbers, email addresses, past salary information, resume information, past employers, past job titles, past job duties, past accomplishments, educational accolades, security clearances, specialized training, and awards. The VA does **not** use FOIA Exemption 2 to redact similar information relating to onboarded or successful VA applicants.

5 U.S.C. § 552(b)(6) exempts from required disclosure "personnel and medical files and similar files the disclosure of which would constitute a clearly unwarranted invasion of personal privacy." FOIA Exemption 6 permits VA to withhold a document or information within a document if disclosure of the information, either by itself or in conjunction with other information available to either the public or the FOIA requester, would result in an unwarranted invasion of an individual's personal privacy without contributing significantly to the public's understanding of the activities of the federal government. Specifically, the information being withheld, as indicated on the attached documents, under FOIA Exemption 6, consists of names, identities, personal addresses, email addresses, phone numbers, cellular numbers, facsimile numbers, White House pass numbers, dates of births, social security numbers, pictures, and resume information (past salary information, resume information, past employers, past job titles, past job duties, past accomplishments, educational accolades, security clearances, specialized training, and awards) of: federal employees, VA applicants, Congressional employees, veterans, and private citizens. However, VA releases the names of VA Senior Executives.

Federal employees, VA applicants, Congressional employees, veterans, and private citizens retain a significant privacy interest under certain circumstances, such as in instances where the release of their information could represent a threat to their well-being, harassment, or their ability to function within their sphere of employment. However, VA releases the names of VA Senior Executives and reporters. The federal employees, VA applicants, veterans, and private citizens whose information is at issue have a substantial privacy interest in their personal

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information. In weighing the private versus the public interest, we find that there is no public interest in knowing names, identities, personal addresses, email addresses, phone numbers, cellular numbers, facsimile numbers, White House pass numbers, dates of births, social security numbers, pictures, and resume information of: federal employees, VA applicants, Congressional employees, veterans, and private citizens. The coverage of FOIA Exemption 6 is absolute unless the FOIA requester can demonstrate a countervailing public interest in the requested information by demonstrating that the FOIA requester is in a position to provide the requested information to members of the general public and that the information requested contributes significantly to the public's understanding of the activities of the Federal government. Additionally, the requester must demonstrate how the public's need to understand the information significantly outweighs the privacy interest of the person to whom the information pertains. Upon consideration of the records, I have not been able to identify a countervailing public interest of sufficient magnitude to outweigh the privacy interest of the individuals whose names are redacted. The protected information has been redacted and (b)(6) inserted. "Withholding a telephone number or e-mail address, alone, is not sufficient to protect that [privacy] interest; alternate means of contacting and harassing these employees would be readily discoverable on the Internet if this court ordered their names disclosed." Long v. Immigration & Customs Enf't, 2017 U.S. Dist. LEXIS 160719 (D.C. Cir. 2017).

FOIA Mediation

As part of the 2007 FOIA amendments, the Office of Government Information Services (OGIS) was created to offer mediation services to resolve disputes between FOIA requesters and Federal agencies as a non-exclusive alternative to litigation. Using OGIS services does not affect your right to pursue litigation. Under the provisions of the FOIA Improvement Act of 2016, the following contact information is provided to assist FOIA requesters in resolving disputes:

VA Central Office FOIA Public Liaison:
Name: Doloras Johnson
Email Address: vacofoiaservice@va.gov

Office of Government Information Services (OGIS)
Email Address: ogis@nara.gov
Fax: 202-741-5769
Mailing address:
National Archives and Records Administration
8601 Adelphi Road
College Park, MD 20740-6001

FOIA Appeal

This concludes OSVA's response to your FOIA request **20-04681-F**. Please be advised that should you desire to do so, you may appeal the determination made in this response to:

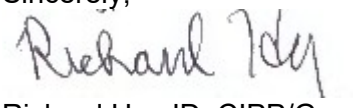
Office of General Counsel (024)
Department of Veterans Affairs
810 Vermont Avenue, NW
Washington, DC 20420

If you should choose to file an appeal, please include a copy of this letter with your written appeal and clearly indicate the basis for your disagreement with the determination set forth in

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this response. Please be advised that in accordance with VA's implementing FOIA regulations at 38 C.F.R. § 1.559, your appeal must be postmarked no later than ninety (90) days of the date of this letter.

Sincerely,



Richard Ha, JD, CIPP/G
OSVA FOIA Officer

Attachments – redacted five hundred forty-nine (549) pages

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From: Bossie, Darren J.
Sent: Thu, 17 Jan 2019 19:41:27 +0000
To: (b)(6), (b)(2)
Subject: RE: Appointment Update

Good afternoon General (b)(6), (b)(2)

I'm looking forward to working with you once we get you thru the process. In the meantime, please let me know if you have any questions.

Respectfully,

Darren Bossie
White House Liaison
Office of the Secretary
Department of Veterans Affairs
202-461-4(b)(6)

From: Syrek, Christopher D. (Chris)
Sent: Wednesday, January 16, 2019 4:16 PM
To: (b)(6), (b)(2) @yahoo.com>
Cc: Bossie, Darren J. (b)(6) @va.gov>
Subject: Appointment Update

(b)(6), (b)(2)

Hope you are well! I think we are getting pretty close to the finish line on this appointment. It may just take a little bit longer due to things we can't control such as much of the White House and OPM being furloughed for the shutdown. In an effort to keep things moving can you provide a 5 year salary history that we can share with our HR and the White House?

Finally, I wanted to introduce you to Darren Bossie (cc'ed) who is our new White House Liaison and will be taking lead on our political personnel moves going forward. You are welcome to keep me cc'ed on emails but Darren will be your lead.

Chris

Christopher D. Syrek
Deputy Chief of Staff
U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs
Washington, D.C. 20420 | (202) 461-(b)(6)

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From: Bossie, Darren J.
Sent: Wed, 6 Feb 2019 21:50:53 +0000
To: (b)(6)
Subject: RE: [EXTERNAL] Re: Sponsor Program

Thank you

From: (b)(6) [mailto:(b)(6) @usna.edu]
Sent: Wednesday, February 6, 2019 2:59 PM
To: Bossie, Darren J. <(b)(6) @va.gov>
Subject: Re: [EXTERNAL] Re: Sponsor Program

Darren,

I made the change for you..

(b)(6)

(b)(6)
Director
Sponsor Program
410-293-(b)(6)

On Wed, Feb 6, 2019 at 2:05 PM Bossie, Darren J. <(b)(6) @va.gov> wrote:

> Good afternoon (b)(6)
>
> After careful consideration, I have decided to change the number of Plebes I wish to sponsor in the Class of 2023 from 2 up to 3. I tried to make the change online, but I am no longer able to access my application.
>
> Hopefully this written notice will suffice.
>
> Thank you for your assistance,
>
> Darren
>
> **From:** (b)(6) [mailto (b)(6) @usna.edu]
> **Sent:** Friday, January 25, 2019 3:25 PM
> **To:** Bossie, Darren J. <(b)(6) @va.gov>
> **Subject:** [EXTERNAL] Re: Sponsor Program
>
> Darren,

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Thanks, I will keep you in mind.

(b)(6)

(b)(6)
Director
Sponsor Program
410-293-(b)(6)

On Thu, Jan 24, 2019 at 5:25 PM Bossie, Darren J. (b)(6)@va.gov> wrote:

Good afternoon (b)(6)

I updated my online sponsor application today, making changes as needed. Although I answered two for the number of Midshipman I would like to sponsor for the Class of 2023, I would be willing to sponsor three Midshipmen if you have a need. Just something to keep in mind down the road.

This is such a great program! I'm honored to be a part of it.

Hope all is well.

Thank you,

Darren Bossie
Sponsor #(b)(6)

(b)(6)
White House Liaison
Office of the Secretary
Department of Veterans Affairs
202-461-(b)(6)

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From: Bossie, Darren J.
Sent: Thu, 14 Feb 2019 15:03:27 +0000
To: (b)(6); (b)(2)
Subject: RE: [EXTERNAL (b)(6); (b)(2) Resume

Thank you (b)(6);

From: (b)(6); (b)(2) [mailto: (b)(6); (b)(2) @gmail.com]
Sent: Thursday, February 14, 2019 6:39 AM
To: Bossie, Darren J. (b)(6) @va.gov>
Subject: [EXTERNAL] (b)(6); (b)(2) Resume

Good Morning Darren,

It was great to meet you last week when you came to the Board. I have attached my resume as you've requested. Please let me know if there is anything else I can provide!

Thank you,

(b)(6); (b)(2)

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From: Bossie, Darren J.
Sent: Fri, 15 Feb 2019 19:30:50 +0000
To: (b)(6) @usace.army.mil
Subject: Secretary of Veterans Affairs Robert Wilkie

Good afternoon COL (b)(6)

I would like to extend an invitation the next time you are in Washington DC to stop by the Office of the Secretary here at the Department of Veterans Affairs. I know your work brings you up this way periodically, and it would be my pleasure to host you and your guests here in the Office of Secretary Robert Wilkie. Hopefully your schedule will permit this.

I look forward to hearing back from you regarding a future visit.

Respectfully,

Darren Bossie
Office of the Secretary
Department of Veterans Affairs
810 Vermont Ave., NW
Washington, DC 20420
202-461-(b)(6)

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From: Bossie, Darren J.
Sent: Tue, 19 Feb 2019 16:10:55 +0000
To: (b)(6); (b)(2)
Subject: Vetting Forms
Attachments: Appointee Information Sheet SKC_SES (Disclaimer Update) - March15_2018.pdf, PPO Research Questionnaire - Form.pdf

Good morning (b)(6);

Please complete and return the attached forms.

Let me know if you have any questions or concerns.

Thank you,

Darren Bossie
White House Liaison
Office of the Secretary
Department of Veterans Affairs
202-461-(b)(6)

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The White House
Presidential Personnel Office

SKC/SES BIO SHEET

NOTICE: This information is necessary to begin the clearance process. Please return to the White House Liaison once completed.

PART I: PERSONAL INFORMATION (TO BE COMPLETED BY THE CANDIDATE)

1. FULL NAME (Last, First, Middle):	2. SOCIAL SECURITY NUMBER:	
3. CURRENT RESIDENTIAL ADDRESS (Number, Street, City, State, ZIP Code)		
4. VOTING ADDRESS IN 2016 (Number, Street, City, State, ZIP Code, if different than current address)		
5. PLACE OF BIRTH (City, State; if not U.S., state, country)	6. GENDER	7. DATE OF BIRTH
8. ETHNIC HERITAGE	9. RACE	10. POLITICAL PARTY

11. HOME PHONE	12. CELL PHONE	13. WORK PHONE
14. PERSONAL EMAIL	15. WORK EMAIL	
16. CURRENT POSITION (Title, Company)	17. WORK ADDRESS (Number, Street, City, State, Zip)	
18. LIST ALL SOCIAL MEDIA ACCOUNTS (Include URLs)		
19. EDUCATION (Degree, Institution, Year)	20. AWARDS	
21. MILITARY SERVICE (Rank, Branch, Years)	22. PREVIOUS PRESIDENTIAL APPOINTMENTS	

PART II: POSITION INFORMATION (TO BE COMPLETED BY WHITE HOUSE LIAISON)

1. POSITION TITLE	2. AGENCY	
2. APPOINTMENT TYPE	3. GRADE	4. OPM NUMBER
5. WH LIAISON NAME	6. WH LIAISON PHONE	7. WH LIAISON EMAIL

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Name:

Research Questionnaire

Purpose: The purpose of this document is to expedite Presidential Personnel's vetting process. Please fill out the questionnaire with as much detail as possible. In the event that the question does not apply to you, please mark not applicable.

Please provide hyperlinks to any social media (Facebook, Twitter, LinkedIn, etc) account past/present. (Please note, that it is better not to go through your accounts and delete posts prior to the vetting process as the offending posts are often recoverable by the press in another form)

Facebook:

Twitter:

Instagram:

LinkedIn:

YouTube:

Pinterest:

Misc:

Have you ever appeared on a political podcast? Talk radio/local radio? If yes, to the best of your ability, please provide as much information as possible regarding the program such as the name of the show, the host, the date it was aired/posted, the broadcaster and (If applicable) the hyperlink to the program.

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Have you ever appeared on any of the major cable networks (Fox, MSNBC, CNN, CNBC, etc.)? If yes, please list the network, the program, and, if possible, the date the program you appeared on was aired.

Have you ever testified before Congress? If so, please list the committee (and the subcommittee if applicable) you testified before and the date of the hearing.

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Have you ever run for or held elected office? Served on your local or state party committee? If yes, please give the office held/sought, the dates and any other information you deem pertinent.

Have you given speeches on a controversial issue? Or addressed a political conference like CPAC, the RNC, the DNC or any other political organization. To the best of your ability, please list any speech that you have made in support of a candidate, policy issue, or before a political organization. If you are able, please provide a link to or a transcript of the speech. If the volume of speeches given is too great in connection with holding elected office, please give a general description of your speeches and the types of groups you've spoken before.

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While many candidates include a curriculum vitae, those documents often do not cover the full breadth of their writings. Have you ever maintained a blog? Written an opinion piece that appeared in a traditional newspaper like the Wall Street Journal or the New York Times? Written for an online publication like Breitbart, Newsmax, or Mother Jones? Please list any opinion pieces you have written, the publication they appeared in, and links to the pieces if possible. For personal blogs, providing the name and link is sufficient.

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From: Bossie, Darren J.
Sent: Fri, 8 Mar 2019 22:50:38 +0000
To: Emily Newman
Cc: Syrek, Christopher D. (Chris)
Subject: RE: [EXTERNAL] Fwd: VA Hire Process

Good afternoon Emily!

I did indeed get your email with the attached paperwork. I am back in the office now and will be sending your documents over to WH PPO before I leave today.

Thank you and have a great weekend!

Darren

Darren Bossie
White House Liaison
Office of the Secretary
Department of Veterans Affairs
202-461-(b)(6)

From: Emily Newman (b)(6) @gmail.com>
Sent: Friday, March 8, 2019 12:11 PM
To: Bossie, Darren J. (b)(6) @va.gov>
Cc: Syrek, Christopher D. (Chris) (b)(6) @va.gov>
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Fwd: VA Hire Process

Hi Darren,

Checking in to ensure that you received my email last night and see if you need anything else from me today to keep the process moving.

Please give me a call at 703-819-1(b)(6) (cell) if any additional information is needed.

Best,
Emily

Begin forwarded message:

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From: "Syrek, Christopher D. (Chris)" <(b)(6) va.gov>
Date: March 7, 2019 at 9:46:26 AM EST
To: (b)(6) @gmail.com" <(b)(6) @gmail.com>
Cc: "Bossie, Darren J." <(b)(6) @va.gov>
Subject: FW: VA Hire Process

Emily,

Just left you a voicemail. See below as well – looks like I missed the period in your address so assuming you did not get this.

Looking forward to connecting.

Chris

Christopher D. Syrek
Deputy Chief of Staff
U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs
Washington, D.C. 20420 | (202) 461-(b)(6)

From: Syrek, Christopher D. (Chris)
Sent: Wednesday, March 06, 2019 6:06 PM
To: '(b)(6) @gmail.com' <(b)(6) @gmail.com>
Cc: Bossie, Darren J. <(b)(6) @va.gov>
Subject: VA Hire Process

Emily,

Hope all is well – tried calling your cell phone to discuss your VA appointment but your mailbox is full. Please call me on my cell when you have a moment at 202-897-(b)(6)

In addition, attached are some forms we will need filled out and returned to start the appointment process. Please also include a 5 year salary history and an up to date resume.

Finally, I am cc'ing Darren Bossie our White House Liaison who will be your lead POC during the appointment process. I think this will move quickly and I understand you are familiar having done this before.

Thanks,
Chris

Christopher D. Syrek
Deputy Chief of Staff
U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs
Washington, D.C. 20420 | (202) 461-(b)(6)

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From: Bossie, Darren J.
Sent: Fri, 15 Mar 2019 16:55:17 +0000
To: (b)(6) (b)(6); (b)(2)
Subject: RE: [EXTERNAL] Re: Meeting with the Chief of Staff & Deputy Chief of Staff

Thank you both!

From (b)(6)
Sent: Friday, March 15, 2019 12:51 PM
To: (b)(6); (b)(2) @thomasrileystrategies.net>; Bossie, Darren J. <(b)(6) @va.gov>
Subject: RE: [EXTERNAL] Re: Meeting with the Chief of Staff & Deputy Chief of Staff

Thank you! I will send him (and cc you) a calendar invitation with the address. We will have a Protocol Officer meet him in the lobby upon his arrival.

(b)(6)
202-461-(b)(6)

From: (b)(6); (b)(2) @thomasrileystrategies.net>
Sent: Friday, March 15, 2019 12:46 PM
To: Bossie, Darren J. <(b)(6) @va.gov>
Cc: (b)(6) @va.gov>
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Re: Meeting with the Chief of Staff & Deputy Chief of Staff

Hi Darren, (b)(6); (b)(2) s available Monday 3/25 930am-10am.

Thank you!

On Fri, Mar 15, 2019 at 12:33 PM r(b)(6); (b)(2) @verizon.net> wrote:

> Darren
> Thank you for the note.
>
> (b)(6); please schedule.
>
> Sent from my iPhone
>
> On Mar 15, 2019, at 12:14 PM, (b)(6) va.gov> wrote:
>
> > Good afternoon Mr. (b)(6); (b)(2)
> >
> > My name is Darren Bossie, and I am the White House Liaison in the Office of the Secretary at the Department of Veterans Affairs. I received your resume from General Counsel James Byrne. As I stated in my voicemail, I would like to set up a time for you to come to the Department of Veterans Affairs and meet with Chief of Staff Pam Powers and Deputy Chief of Staff Chris Syrek.

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Please let me know if any of the following timeslots work for you:

Monday 3/18 2pm-230pm
Tuesday 3/19 430p-5p
Thursday 3/21 12pm-1230p
Monday 3/25 930am-10am

If these times do not fit in your schedule, please suggest an alternate date and time to meet.

I look forward to hearing back from you.

Thank you,

Darren Bossie
White House Liaison
Office of the Secretary
Department of Veterans Affairs
202-461-(b)(6)

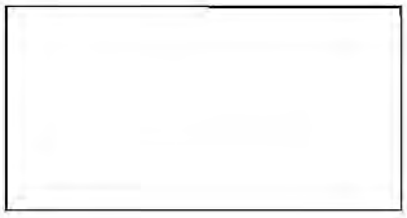
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(b)(6); (b)(2) | Administrative Coordinator

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Office: (202)-621-(b)(6); (b)(2) | Direct Line: (678) 851-(b)(6);

www.ThomasRileystrategiesllc.net | (b)(6); (b)(2) @ThomasRileystrategies.net



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From: Bossie, Darren J.
Sent: Thu, 21 Mar 2019 17:29:29 +0000
To: (b)(6); (b)(2)
Cc: Syrek, Christopher D. (Chris)
Subject: RE: [EXTERNAL] Re: Meeting with Chief of Staff
Attachments: PPO Research Questionnaire - Form.pdf, Appointee Information Sheet PAS (Disclaimer Update).pdf

Good afternoon Mr. (b)(6); (b)(2)

In order to initiate the White House vetting process, please complete the attached forms and return to me as quickly as possible.

Please let me know if you have any questions or concerns.

Thank you,

Darren Bossie
White House Liaison
Office of the Secretary
Department of Veterans Affairs
202-461-(b)(6)

From: Syrek, Christopher D. (Chris)
Sent: Thursday, March 21, 2019 1:07 PM
To: (b)(6) @va.gov> (b)(6); (b)(2) @gmail.com>
Cc: Bossie, Darren J. (b)(6) @va.gov>
Subject: RE: [EXTERNAL] Re: Meeting with Chief of Staff

(b)(6)

Per a conversation with (b)(6); (b)(2) we are going to go through the White House vetting before having (b)(6); (b)(2) come for a meeting.

I am cc'ing Darren here to provide the forms.

Chris

Christopher D. Syrek
Deputy Chief of Staff
U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs
Washington, D.C. 20420 | (202) 461-(b)(6)

From: (b)(6)
Sent: Thursday, March 21, 2019 7:26 AM

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To: A(b)(6), (b)(2) @gmail.com>
Cc: Syrek, Christopher D. (Chris) <(b)(6) @va.gov>
Subject: RE: [EXTERNAL] Re: Meeting with Chief of Staff

The week of April 1 will work for us. We could do April 1st @ 2:30 or we also have some flexibility the afternoon of April 3.

I'm also adding Deputy Chief of Staff, Chris Syrek, to ensure he aware of the timeframe.

(b)(6)
202-461-(b)(6)

From: (b)(6), (b)(2) @gmail.com>
Sent: Wednesday, March 20, 2019 6:35 PM
To: (b)(6) @va.gov>
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Re: Meeting with Chief of Staff

Ms. (b)(6)

Thanks for this. Are you operating under any specific time frame? Would the week of April 1st be too late?

Monday April 1st
Friday April 5th

If you are operating under a tighter timeline, I could move some scheduled things around for next week

(b)(6), (b)(2)
202-556-(b)(6), (b)(2)

On Wed, Mar 20, 2019 at 11:55 AM (b)(6) @va.gov> wrote:

Mr(b)(6), (b)(2)

Per Deputy Chief of Staff, Chris Syrek, I'm reaching out to find a good date/time for you to come to VA Central Office to meet Chief of Staff, Pamela Powers. Please feel free to offer some dates that work for you or suggest a good time for me to call and schedule.

Thank you,

AMERICAN OVERSIGHT

(b)(6)
Office of the Chief of Staff
Department of Veterans Affairs
202-461-(b)(6) (Office)
202-823- (Mobile)

The world is moved along, not only by the mighty shoves of its heroes, but also by the aggregate of tiny pushes of each honest worker. ~ Helen Keller

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INTERNAL WHITE HOUSE DOCUMENT, NOT FOR RELEASE WITHOUT PRIOR WHITE HOUSE APPROVAL

From: (b)(6) VBAVACO
Sent: Mon, 25 Mar 2019 17:16:17 +0000
To: Bossie, Darren J.
Cc: McClelland, Teri, VBAVACO;Devlin, Margarita, VBAVACO
Subject: RE: Weekly Cabinet Report
Attachments: VBA Cabinet Report.docx, Copy of Outreach Report as of 3-22-19.xlsx

Hi Darren,

Please see the attached VBA Cabinet Report and Claims Clinic Spreadsheet.

Thank you!

R/S

(b)(6)
Staff Assistant
Under Secretary for Benefits
Department of Veterans Affairs
Email: (b)(6)@va.gov

Office Phone: (202) 461-(b)(6)

From: Bossie, Darren J.
Sent: Friday, March 22, 2019 6:48 PM
To: (b)(6)@va.gov>; (b)(6)@va.gov>; (b)(6)@va.gov>; Bader, Christine E. (b)(6)@va.gov>; (b)(6)@va.gov>; (b)(6)@va.gov>; (b)(6)@va.gov>; (b)(6)@va.gov>; (b)(6) (b)(6)@va.gov>; (b)(6)@va.gov>; (b)(6) VBAVACO (b)(6)@va.gov>; (b)(6) VBAVACO <(b)(6)@va.gov>; (b)(6) (b)(6)@va.gov>; (b)(6)@va.gov>; (b)(6) <(b)(6) gov>; Davis, Lynda <(b)(6)@va.gov>; (b)(6)@va.gov>; (b)(6) (VACO) <(b)(6)@va.gov>; (b)(6) (VACO) <(b)(6)@va.gov>; (b)(6) (b)(6) (b)(6)@va.gov>; Haverstock, Cathy <(b)(6)@va.gov>; (b)(6) (b)(6)@va.gov>; (b)(6)@va.gov>; (b)(6) (b)(6)@va.gov>; (b)(6)@va.gov>; (b)(6) <(b)(6)@va.gov>; Sullivan, Kathleen <(b)(6)@va.gov>; Verschoor, Thayer <(b)(6)@va.gov>; (b)(6)@va.gov>; (b)(6) (b)(6)@va.gov>; O'Connor, Christopher <(b)(6)@va.gov>
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Subject: Weekly Cabinet Report

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Please let me know if you have questions and/or concerns.

Thank you and have a great weekend!

Darren

Darren Bossie
White House Liaison
Office of the Secretary
202-461-(b)(6)

AMERICAN OVERSIGHT

From: Bossie, Darren J.
Sent: Mon, 25 Mar 2019 19:06:49 +0000
To: (b)(6); (b)(2)
Cc: Syrek, Christopher D. (Chris)
Subject: RE: [EXTERNAL] Re: Follow up
Attachments: PPO Research Questionnaire - Form.pdf, Appointee Information Sheet PAS (Disclaimer Update).pdf

Good afternoon (b)(6); (b)(2)

It was great meeting you this morning. Thank you so much for stopping by my office.

Attached, please find the White House PPO vetting forms. Once complete, please return them directly to me.

Let me know if you have any questions or concerns.

Thank you,

Darren

Darren Bossie
White House Liaison
Office of the Secretary
Department of Veterans Affairs
202-461-(b)(6)

From: (b)(6); (b)(2) @verizon.net>
Sent: Monday, March 25, 2019 1:52 PM
To: Syrek, Christopher D. (Chris) (b)(6) @va.gov>
Cc: Bossie, Darren J. <(b)(6) @va.gov>; (b)(6) @va.gov>; (b)(6); (b)(2) (b)(6); @thomasrileystrategies.net>
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Re: Follow up

Chris
Thank you for your time today. I'll look for the documents.
(b)(6);

Sent from my iPhone

On Mar 25, 2019, at 1:34 PM, Syrek, Christopher D. (Chris) (b)(6) va.gov> wrote:

(b)(6); (b)(2)

AMERICAN OVERSIGHT

Nice meeting you this morning.

As promised, our White House Liaison Darren Bossie (cc'ed) will send over the vetting forms and we will be in touch about a meeting with SECVA.

Thanks,
Chris

Christopher D. Syrek
Deputy Chief of Staff
U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs
Washington, D.C. 20420 | (202) 461-(b)(6)

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From: Bossie, Darren J.
Sent: Tue, 26 Mar 2019 21:12:54 +0000
To: (b)(6)
EOP/WHO;(b)(6) @who.eop.gov(b)(6) @who.eop.gov;(b)(6) @who.eop.gov
Cc: Powers, Pamela;Syrek, Christopher D. (Chris)
Subject: Weekly Cabinet Report
Attachments: VA Cabinet Report March 27 OSVA Review FINAL.docx

Good afternoon!

Attached, please find this week's Cabinet Report from the Department of Veterans Affairs.

Please let me know if you need anything else.

Thank you,

Darren

Darren Bossie
White House Liaison
Office of the Secretary
Department of Veterans Affairs
202-461-(b)(6)

AMERICAN OVERSIGHT

From: (b)(6) VBAVACO
Sent: Mon, 1 Apr 2019 17:00:26 +0000
To: Bossie, Darren J.
Cc: Devlin, Margarita, VBAVACO;McClelland, Teri, VBAVACO
Subject: RE: Weekly Cabinet Report
Attachments: Copy of Outreach Report as of 3-29-19.xlsx, VBA Cabinet Report.docx

Hi Darren,

Please see the attached VBA Cabinet Report.

Thank you!

R/S

(b)(6)
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Under Secretary for Benefits
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Email: (b)(6)@va.gov

Office Phone: (202) 461-(b)(6)

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Sent: Friday, March 29, 2019 1:04 PM
To: (b)(6)@va.gov>; (b)(6)@va.gov>; (b)(6)@va.gov>; Bader, Christine E. <(b)(6)@va.gov>; (b)(6)@va.gov>; (b)(6)@va.gov>; (b)(6)e@va.gov>; (b)(6)@va.gov>; (b)(6)@va.gov>; (b)(6)@va.gov>; (b)(6)@va.gov>; VBAVACO <(b)(6)@va.gov>; McClelland, Teri, VBAVACO <(b)(6)@va.gov>; (b)(6)@va.gov>; (b)(6)@va.gov>; (b)(6)@va.gov>; (b)(6)@va.gov>; Davis, Lynda <(b)(6)@va.gov>; (b)(6)@va.gov>; (b)(6)(VACO) <(b)(6)@va.gov>; (b)(6)(VACO) (b)(6)@va.gov>; (b)(6)@va.gov>; Haverstock, Cathy <(b)(6)@va.gov>; (b)(6)@va.gov>; (b)(6)@va.gov>; (b)(6)@va.gov>; (b)(6)@va.gov>; (b)(6)@va.gov>; (b)(6)@va.gov>; Sullivan, Kathleen <(b)(6)@va.gov>; Verschoor, Thayer (b)(6)@va.gov>; (b)(6)@va.gov>; (b)(6)@va.gov>; (b)(6)@va.gov>; (b)(6)@va.gov>; (b)(6)@va.gov>; (b)(6)@va.gov>; (b)(6)@va.gov>
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202-461-(b)(6)

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From: Bossie, Darren J.
Sent: Tue, 2 Apr 2019 16:59:41 +0000
To: (b)(6), (b)(2)
Subject: Vetting Forms
Attachments: Appointee Information Sheet PAS (Disclaimer Update).pdf, PPO Research Questionnaire - Form.pdf

Good afternoon (b)(6)

Attached, please find the WH PPO vetting forms. Once completed, please return them directly to me.

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From: Bossie, Darren J.
Sent: Wed, 3 Apr 2019 22:08:18 +0000
To: (b)(6); (b)(2)
Subject: RE: [EXTERNAL]

Sounds great!

-----Original Message-----
From: (b)(6); (b)(2) @hotmail.com>
Sent: Wednesday, April 3, 2019 11:48 AM
To: Bossie, Darren J. <(b)(6) @va.gov>
Subject: Re: [EXTERNAL]

Darren,

Let's meet at the outdoor bar at Pusser's at 4 on Sunday. We can grab a bev there and then go somewhere else for dinner if we want. My cell is 202.255.(b)(6); ext me if anything comes up.

Will send the resume as soon as I get it from her.

Thanks so much!
Deana

Sent from my iPhone

> On Apr 3, 2019, at 10:09 AM, Bossie, Darren J. <(b)(6) @va.gov> wrote:
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> Lunch/dinner on Sunday in Annapolis sounds great! Please let me know where and what time.
>
> Please send me (b)(6) s resume when you get a chance.
>
> -----Original Message-----
> From: (b)(6); (b)(2) @hotmail.com>
> Sent: Tuesday, April 2, 2019 9:31 PM
> To: Bossie, Darren J. (b)(6) @va.gov>
> Subject: Re: [EXTERNAL]
>
> Darren, it was so great seeing you the other day! I really enjoyed catching up with you! Thank you for inviting me over to the VA!
>
> Hey, remember that friend of mine I mentioned who lives in Annapolis? I'm meeting her over there on Sunday afternoon/early evening for dinner or bevs. Want to join us?
>
> By the way, do you know if any agencies are looking for politicals? My friend (b)(6) s looking for a new job. She is doing (b)(6); (b)(2) but is looking for something else other than press. Maybe policy or even certain admin stuff. She's a seasoned professional though -late thirties. Just thought I'd check. If not, no big deal.
>
> Thanks! Let me know about Sunday...
>
> (b)(6);
>
> Sent from my iPhone
>
>> On Apr 2, 2019, at 10:17 AM, Bossie, Darren J. <(b)(6) @va.gov> wrote:

AMERICAN OVERSIGHT

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>> Great seeing you yesterday!
>>
>> -----Original Message-----
>> From: (b)(6) (b)(2) @hotmail.com>
>> Sent: Monday, April 1, 2019 11:59 AM
>> To: Bossie, Darren J. <(b)(6) @va.gov>
>> Subject: [EXTERNAL]
>>
>> Hi Darren,
>>
>> I'm downstairs in the lobby whenever you're available. Thanks!
>>
>> (b)(6)
>>
>> Sent from my iPhone

AMERICAN OVERSIGHT

From: Bossie, Darren J.
Sent: Thu, 4 Apr 2019 13:33:53 +0000
To: Quill, Joshua J., VBAVACO
Subject: FW: Weekly Cabinet Report
Attachments: Copy of Outreach Report as of 3-29-19.xlsx, VBA Cabinet Report.docx

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Office Phone: (202) 461- (b)(6)

From: Bossie, Darren J.
Sent: Friday, April 05, 2019 4:14 PM
To: (b)(6) va.gov>; (b)(6) @va.gov>; (b)(6) @va.gov>; Bader, Christine E. (b)(6) @va.gov>; (b)(6) @va.gov>; (b)(6) @va.gov>; (b)(6) @va.gov>; (b)(6) @va.gov>; (b)(6) @va.gov>; (b)(6) @va.gov>; (b)(6) @va.gov>; (b)(6) @va.gov>; VBAVACO <(b)(6) @va.gov>; McClelland, Teri, VBAVACO <(b)(6) @va.gov>; (b)(6) @va.gov>; (b)(6) @va.gov>; (b)(6) @va.gov>; (b)(6) @va.gov>; (b)(6) @va.gov>; Davis, Lynda <(b)(6) @va.gov>; (b)(6) @va.gov>; (b)(6) (VACO) (b)(6) @va.gov>; (b)(6) VACO) <(b)(6) @va.gov>; (b)(6) @va.gov>; (b)(6) @va.gov>; Haverstock, Cathy <(b)(6) @va.gov>; (b)(6) @va.gov>; (b)(6) @va.gov>; (b)(6) @va.gov>; (b)(6) @va.gov>; (b)(6) @va.gov>; (b)(6) <(b)(6) @va.gov>; Sullivan, Kathleen <(b)(6) @va.gov>; Verschoor, Thayer (b)(6) @va.gov>; (b)(6) @va.gov>; (b)(6) @va.gov>; (b)(6) @va.gov>; (b)(6) @va.gov>; (b)(6) @va.gov>; (b)(6) @va.gov>; (b)(6) @va.gov>
Cc: Powers, Pamela <(b)(6) @va.gov>; Syrek, Christopher D. (Chris) <(b)(6) @va.gov>; Mason, Cheryl <(b)(6) @va.gov>; O'Connor, Christopher

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(b)(6) @va.gov>; Hayes-Byrd, Jacquelyn (b)(6) @va.gov>
Subject: Weekly Cabinet Report

Good afternoon!

As a reminder, please submit your Weekly Cabinet Report entries no later than **3pm Monday, April 8**. The inclusive dates for this report are April 10 – May 7.

Please let me know if you have questions and/or concerns.

Thank you and have a great weekend!

Darren

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From: (b)(6), VBAVACO
Sent: Tue, 16 Apr 2019 11:58:03 +0000
To: Bossie, Darren J.
Subject: RE: Weekly Cabinet Report
Attachments: Outreach Report as of 4-12-19.xlsx

Good morning Darren!

Please see the attached Outreach Schedule.

Apologies for the delay.

R/S

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From: Bossie, Darren J.
Sent: Monday, April 15, 2019 3:34 PM
To: (b)(6) VBAVACO (b)(6)@va.gov>
Subject: RE: Weekly Cabinet Report

Thank you!

Please send tomorrow morning if possible.

From: (b)(6) VBAVACO
Sent: Monday, April 15, 2019 3:32 PM
To: Bossie, Darren J. <(b)(6)@va.gov>
Subject: RE: Weekly Cabinet Report

Hi Darren!

I am still waiting to hear back for it. I didn't want to hold up my whole report for it.
But I will reach out again.

Thanks!

R/S

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Sent: Monday, April 15, 2019 3:25 PM
To: (b)(6) VBAVACO <(b)(6) @va.gov>
Subject: RE: Weekly Cabinet Report

Good afternoon (b)(6)

Please send the outreach report.

Thank you,

Darren

From: (b)(6) VBAVACO
Sent: Monday, April 15, 2019 12:02 PM
To: Bossie, Darren J. (b)(6) @va.gov>
Cc: McClelland, Teri, VBAVACO (b)(6) @va.gov>; Devlin, Margarita, VBAVACO <(b)(6) @va.gov>
Subject: RE: Weekly Cabinet Report

Good Afternoon Darren,

Please see the attached VBA Cabinet Report.

Thank you!

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From: Bossie, Darren J.
Sent: Friday, April 12, 2019 4:56 PM
To: (b)(6) @va.gov>; (b)(6) @va.gov>; (b)(6) @va.gov>; B (b)(6) @va.gov>; (b)(6) @va.gov>; (b)(6) @va.gov>; (b)(6) @va.gov>; (b)(6) @va.gov>; (b)(6) @va.gov>; (b)(6) @va.gov>; (b)(6) VBAVACO <(b)(6) @va.gov>; (b)(6) (b)(6) VBAVACO <(b)(6) @va.gov>; (b)(6) @va.gov>; (b)(6) (b)(6) @va.gov>; (b)(6) @va.gov>; Davis, Lynda (b)(6) @va.gov>; (b)(6) @va.gov>; (b)(6) @va.gov>; (b)(6) (VACO) <(b)(6) @va.gov>; (b)(6) @va.gov>; Haverstock, Cathy <(b)(6) @va.gov>; (b)(6) @va.gov>; (b)(6) (b)(6) @va.gov>; (b)(6) @va.gov>; (b)(6) (b)(6) @va.gov>; (b)(6) @va.gov>; Sullivan, Kathleen (b)(6) @va.gov>; Verschoor, Thayer <(b)(6) @va.gov>; (b)(6) (b)(6) @va.gov>; (b)(6) @va.gov>; (b)(6) (b)(6) @va.gov>; (b)(6) @va.gov>; (b)(6) (b)(6) @va.gov>; (b)(6) @va.gov>
Cc: Powers, Pamela <(b)(6) @va.gov>; Syrek, Christopher D. (Chris) <(b)(6) @va.gov>; Mason, Cheryl <(b)(6) @va.gov>; Hayes-Byrd, Jacquelyn <J (b)(6) @va.gov>
Subject: Weekly Cabinet Report

Good afternoon!

As a reminder, please submit your Weekly Cabinet Report entries no later than **3pm Monday, April 15**. The inclusive dates for this report are April 17 – May 14.

Please let me know if you have questions and/or concerns.

Thank you and have a great weekend!

Darren

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From: Bossie, Darren J.
Sent: Fri, 19 Apr 2019 17:57:28 +0000
To: (b)(6), (b)(2)
Cc: (b)(6) EOP/WHO;Syrek, Christopher D. (Chris)
Subject: FW: [EXTERNAL] Serving our nation's veterans by helping to save lives
Attachments: DSPO 2017.jpg (b)(6) Resume 2019.doc

Good afternoon Dr. (b)(6), (b)(2)

It was a pleasure speaking to you yesterday.

After our conversation, I reached out to the White House directly instead of going back to Deputy Chief of Staff Chris Syrek. I am forwarding your email introduction and resume to (b)(6) over at the White House. (b)(6) is a Special Assistant to the President, and in a better position to assist you.

Please let me know if there is anything else I can do for you! Thank you for your assistance Michael!

Respectfully,

Darren

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From: (b)(6), (b)(2) @gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, April 16, 2019 9:04 AM
To: Bossie, Darren J. (b)(6) @va.gov>
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Serving our nation's veterans by helping to save lives

Mr. Bossie,

Good morning! Hope you are doing well. Just a brief follow-up from my previous e-mail from a couple of weeks ago.

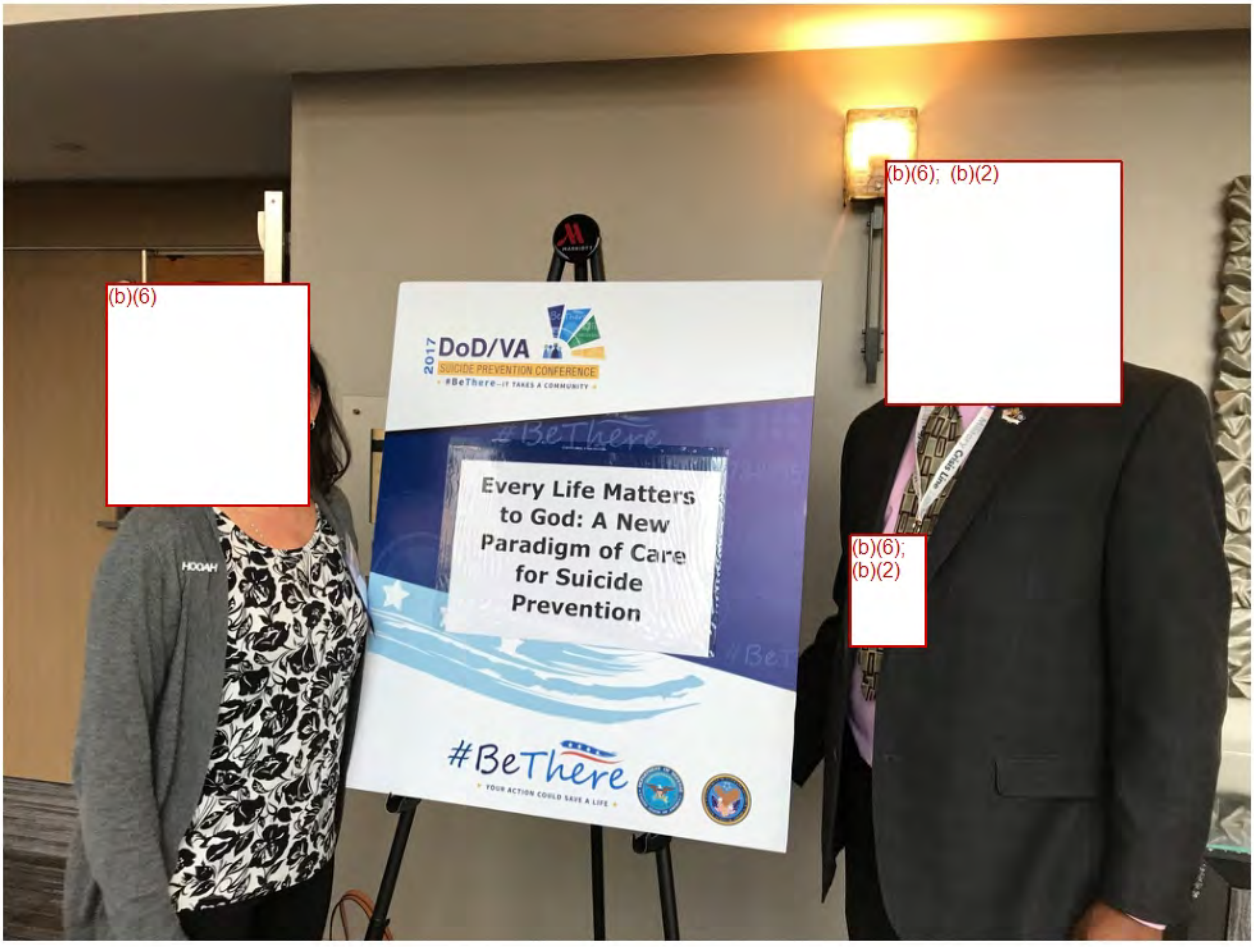
As (b)(6) mentioned, I completed my doctorate training studying the role of faith in suicide prevention. The goal of the research is to advocate for inclusion of spiritual resiliency in the care of the whole person.

I read with great interest the announcement of President Trump's Executive Order last month which is tasked to establish a task force on suicide prevention. In 2017, I was invited to present my research to the DoD/VA Suicide Prevention Conference hosted by the Defense Suicide Prevention Office (picture attached). I hope to continue this important research by serving as a member on the task force.

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Thank you so much for your time and attention.

Best regards,
Dr. (b)(6); (b)(2)
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2017 DoD/VA
SUICIDE PREVENTION CONFERENCE
#BeThere—IT TAKES A COMMUNITY

Every Life Matters to God: A New Paradigm of Care for Suicide Prevention

#BeThere
YOUR ACTION COULD SAVE A LIFE

HOOAH

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- (b)(6), (b)(2)

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From: (b)(6), VBAVACO
Sent: Mon, 22 Apr 2019 15:05:27 +0000
To: Bossie, Darren J.
Cc: McClelland, Teri, VBAVACO;Devlin, Margarita, VBAVACO
Subject: RE: Weekly Cabinet Report
Attachments: Copy of Outreach Report as of 4-19-19.xlsx, VBA Cabinet Report.docx

Good Morning Darren!

Please see the attached VBA Cabinet Report and Outreach Schedule.

Thank you,

R/S

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From: Bossie, Darren J.
Sent: Friday, April 19, 2019 1:37 PM
To: (b)(6) @va.gov>; (b)(6) @va.gov>; (b)(6) @va.gov>; (b)(6) @va.gov>; (b)(6) @va.gov>; (b)(6) @va.gov>; (b)(6) @va.gov>; (b)(6) @va.gov>; (b)(6) @va.gov>; (b)(6) VBAVACO <(b)(6) @va.gov>; (b)(6) VBAVACO <(b)(6) @va.gov>; (b)(6) @va.gov>; (b)(6) (b)(6) @va.gov>; (b)(6) @va.gov>; Davis, Lynda (b)(6) @va.gov> (b)(6) @va.gov>; (b)(6) @va.gov>; (b)(6) (VACO) <(b)(6) @va.gov>; (b)(6) @va.gov>; Haverstock, Cathy (b)(6) @va.gov>; (b)(6) @va.gov>; (b)(6) (b)(6) @va.gov>; (b)(6) @va.gov> (b)(6) (b)(6) @va.gov>; (b)(6) @va.gov>; Sullivan, Kathleen (b)(6) @va.gov>; Verschoor, Thayer <(b)(6) @va.gov>; (b)(6) (b)(6) @va.gov>; (b)(6) @va.gov>
Cc: Powers, Pamela <(b)(6) @va.gov>; Syrek, Christopher D. (Chris) (b)(6) @va.gov>; Mason, Cheryl (b)(6) @va.gov>; Hayes-Byrd, Jacquelyn (b)(6) @va.gov>
Subject: Weekly Cabinet Report

Good afternoon!

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As a reminder, please submit your Weekly Cabinet Report entries no later than **3pm Monday, April 22**. The inclusive dates for this report are April 24 – May 21.

Please let me know if you have questions and/or concerns.

Thank you and have a great holiday weekend!

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From: Bossie, Darren J.
Sent: Thu, 25 Apr 2019 12:09:35 +0000
To: (b)(6)
Subject: RE: [EXTERNAL] Operation Heal Our Heroes

Please let me know when Dr. Franklin contacts you.

Sent with BlackBerry Work
(www.blackberry.com)

From: (b)(6) @turnberrysolutionsllc.com>
Date: Wednesday, Apr 24, 2019, 8:56 PM
To: Franklin, Keita <(b)(6) @va.gov>
Cc: Bossie, Darren J. <(b)(6) @va.gov>, (b)(6) Portland) <(b)(6) @va.gov>, (b)(6) @va.gov>, Syrek, Christopher D. (Chris) <(b)(6) @va.gov>
Subject: Re: [EXTERNAL] Operation Heal Our Heroes

Likewise! Thanks for the interest everyone, much appreciated.

On Wed, Apr 24, 2019 at 7:30 PM Franklin, Keita <(b)(6) @va.gov> wrote:

> Thanks so much – I will be in touch (b)(6)
>
> Happy to e-meet you.
>
> (b)(6)
>
> Keita Franklin, LCSW, PhD
>
> Executive Director Suicide Prevention
>
> Department of Veterans Affairs
>
> (202) 341-(b)(6)

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From: Syrek, Christopher D. (Chris)
Sent: Wednesday, April 24, 2019 5:57 PM
To: Bossie, Darren J. <(b)(6)@va.gov>; (b)(6)
<(b)(6)@turnberrysolutionsllc.com>
Cc: Franklin, Keita <(b)(6)@va.gov>
Subject: RE: [EXTERNAL] Operation Heal Our Heroes

(b)(6)

Hope this email finds you well. I am connecting you here with Keita Franklin who runs our suicide prevention office. She is the best person to help you identify opportunities for VA and "Operation heal our Heroes."

Keita – please reach out to (b)(6) at your earliest convenience.

Thanks,

Chris

Christopher D. Syrek

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From: Bossie, Darren J.
Sent: Wednesday, April 24, 2019 10:40 AM
To:(b)(6)@turnberrysolutionsllc.com>
Cc: Syrek, Christopher D. (Chris) <(b)(6)@va.gov>
Subject: RE: [EXTERNAL] Operation Heal Our Heroes

AMERICAN OVERSIGHT

Good morning (b)(6)

It was great to see you again.

I am forwarding (b)(6) 's information to VA Deputy Chief of Staff Chris Syrek. I spoke to Chris about this yesterday, and he will make sure the right person reaches out to (b)(6)

Thank you for your continued support of our nation's Veterans!

Respectfully,

Darren

Darren Bossie

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From: (b)(6) turnberrysolutionsllc.com>
Sent: Tuesday, April 23, 2019 1:32 PM
To: Bossie, Darren J. <(b)(6) @va.gov>
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Operation Heal Our Heroes

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Hi Darren - Great running into you yesterday and I hope you and your family had a nice time.

I am sending over information on my friend's foundation called Operation Heal Our Heroes - "HOH." https://www.operationhoh.com/mission

As mentioned, (b)(6) is an Army Captain and saw three tours. He started HOH after one of his good friends committed suicide. The purpose of the foundation is to reduce the amount of veterans who commit suicide by making access to mental health treatment more accessible.

Anything you could do to point him the right direction within the VA would be appreciated. His email address is (b)(6) @gmail.com

Thanks so much and have a great rest of your week. Good luck over there!

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Best Regards,

(b)(6)

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From: (b)(6) VBAVACO
Sent: Mon, 29 Apr 2019 17:48:37 +0000
To: Bossie, Darren J.
Cc: McClelland, Teri, VBAVACO;Devlin, Margarita, VBAVACO
Subject: RE: Weekly Cabinet Report
Attachments: Copy of Outreach Report as of 4-26-19.xlsx, VBA Cabinet Report.docx

Hi Darren!

Please see attached.

Thank you!

R/S

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From: Bossie, Darren J.
Sent: Friday, April 26, 2019 2:45 PM
To: (b)(6)@va.gov>;(b)(6)@va.gov>;
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(b)(6)@va.gov>; Hutton, James <(b)(6)@va.gov>
Subject: Weekly Cabinet Report

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Good afternoon!

As a reminder, please submit your Weekly Cabinet Report entries no later than **3pm Monday, April 29**. The inclusive dates for this report are May 1 – May 28.

Please let me know if you have questions and/or concerns.

Thank you and have a great weekend!

Darren

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From: (b)(6) VBAVACO
Sent: Mon, 6 May 2019 17:59:22 +0000
To: Bossie, Darren J.
Cc: McClelland, Teri, VBAVACO;Devlin, Margarita, VBAVACO
Subject: RE: Weekly Cabinet Report
Attachments: Copy of Outreach Report as of 5-3-19.xlsx, VBA Cabinet Report.docx

Hi Darren!

Please see the attached Cabinet Report and Outreach Report from VBA.

Thanks!

R/S

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From: Bossie, Darren J.
Sent: Friday, May 03, 2019 11:38 AM
To: (b)(6) @va.gov>; (b)(6) @va.gov>; (b)(6) @va.gov>; Bader, Christine E. (b)(6) @va.gov>; (b)(6) @va.gov>; (b)(6) @va.gov>; (b)(6) @va.gov>; (b)(6) @va.gov>; (b)(6) @va.gov>; (b)(6) @va.gov>; (b)(6) , VBAVACO (b)(6) @va.gov>; McClelland, Teri, VBAVACO <(b)(6) @va.gov>; (b)(6) @va.gov>; (b)(6) @va.gov>; (b)(6) @va.gov>; (b)(6) @va.gov>; (b)(6) @va.gov>; (b)(6) @va.gov>; (b)(6) @va.gov>; (b)(6) @va.gov>; (b)(6) @va.gov>; (b)(6) (VACO) (b)(6) @va.gov>; (b)(6) @va.gov>; Haverstock, Cathy (b)(6) @va.gov>; (b)(6) @va.gov>; (b)(6) @va.gov>; (b)(6) @va.gov>; (b)(6) @va.gov>; (b)(6) @va.gov>; (b)(6) @va.gov>; (b)(6) @va.gov>; Sullivan, Kathleen (b)(6) @va.gov>; Verschoor, Thayer <(b)(6) @va.gov>; (b)(6) @va.gov>; (b)(6) @va.gov>; (b)(6) @va.gov>
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Subject: Weekly Cabinet Report

AMERICAN OVERSIGHT

Good morning!

As a reminder, please submit your Weekly Cabinet Report entries no later than **3pm Monday, May 6**. The inclusive dates for this report are May 8 – June 4.

Please let me know if you have questions and/or concerns.

Thank you and have a great weekend!

Darren

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AMERICAN OVERSIGHT

From: (b)(6), VBAVACO
Sent: Mon, 13 May 2019 16:19:05 +0000
To: Bossie, Darren J.
Cc: McClelland, Teri, VBAVACO;Devlin, Margarita, VBAVACO
Subject: RE: VA Weekly Cabinet Report
Attachments: Outreach Report as of 5-10-19 .xlsx, VBA Cabinet Report.docx

Hi Darren!

Please see VBA's Cabinet Report and Outreach Report.

Thank you!

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To: (b)(6)@va.gov>; (b)(6)@va.gov>; (b)(6)@va.gov>; Bader, Christine E. <(b)(6)@va.gov>; (b)(6)@va.gov>; (b)(6)@va.gov>; (b)(6)@va.gov>; (b)(6)@va.gov>; (b)(6)@va.gov>; (b)(6)@va.gov>; (b)(6)@va.gov>; (b)(6)@va.gov>; VBAVACO <(b)(6)@va.gov>; McClelland, Teri, VBAVACO <(b)(6)@va.gov>; (b)(6)@va.gov>; (b)(6)@va.gov>; (b)(6)@va.gov>; (b)(6)@va.gov>; (b)(6)@va.gov>; (b)(6)@va.gov>; (b)(6)@va.gov>; (b)(6)@va.gov>; Government CIO) <(b)(6)@va.gov>; (b)(6)@va.gov>; (VACO) <(b)(6)@va.gov>; (b)(6)@va.gov>; Haverstock, Cathy <(b)(6)@va.gov>; (b)(6)@va.gov>; (b)(6)@va.gov>; (b)(6)@va.gov>; (b)(6)@va.gov>; (b)(6)@va.gov>; (b)(6)@va.gov>; Sullivan, Kathleen (b)(6)@va.gov>; Verschoor, Thaver (b)(6)@va.gov>; (b)(6)@va.gov>; (b)(6)@va.gov>; (b)(6)@va.gov>
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Subject: VA Weekly Cabinet Report

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Good afternoon!

As a reminder, please submit your Weekly Cabinet Report entries no later than **3pm Monday, May 13**. The inclusive dates for this report are May 15 – June 11.

Please let me know if you have questions and/or concerns.

Thank you and have a great weekend!

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From: (b)(6) VBAVACO
Sent: Mon, 20 May 2019 17:45:39 +0000
To: Bossie, Darren J.
Subject: RE: VA Weekly Cabinet Report
Attachments: Outreach Report as of 5-17-19.xlsx, VBA Cabinet Report.docx

Good Afternoon Darren!

Please see the attached Cabinet and Outreach Report from VBA.

Thank you!

R/S

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From: Bossie, Darren J.
Sent: Friday, May 17, 2019 3:29 PM
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Subject: VA Weekly Cabinet Report

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Good afternoon,

As a reminder, please submit your Weekly Cabinet Report entries no later than **3pm Monday, May 20**. The inclusive dates for this report are May 22 – June 18.

Please let me know if you have questions and/or concerns.

Thank you and have a great weekend!

Darren

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From: (b)(6) VBAVACO
Sent: Mon, 10 Jun 2019 17:01:51 +0000
To: Bossie, Darren J.
Cc: McClelland, Teri, VBAVACO;Devlin, Margarita, VBAVACO
Subject: RE: White House Weekly Cabinet Report
Attachments: Outreach Report as of 6-7-19.xlsx, VBA Cabinet Report.docx

Hi Darren!

Please see the attached VBA Cabinet Report and (finally) the Outreach Report. ☺

Thanks!

R/S

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From: Bossie, Darren J.
Sent: Friday, June 07, 2019 12:53 PM
To: (b)(6) @va.gov>; (b)(6) @va.gov>; (b)(6) @va.gov>; (b)(6) @va.gov>; (b)(6) @va.gov>; (b)(6) @va.gov>; (b)(6) @va.gov>; (b)(6) @va.gov>; (b)(6) (b)(6) VBAVACO (b)(6) @va.gov>; Quill, Joshua J., VBAVACO (b)(6) @va.gov>; McClelland, Teri, VBAVACO (b)(6) @va.gov>; (b)(6) @va.gov>; (b)(6) @va.gov>; (b)(6) @va.gov>; (b)(6) (b)(6) @va.gov>; (b)(6) @va.gov>; (b)(6) (VACO) (b)(6) @va.gov>; (b)(6) @va.gov>; Haverstock, Cathy (b)(6) @va.gov>; (b)(6) @va.gov>; (b)(6) (b)(6) @va.gov>; (b)(6) @va.gov>; (b)(6) (b)(6) @va.gov> (b)(6) @va.gov>; Sullivan, Kathleen (b)(6) @va.gov>; Verschoor, Thayer (b)(6) @va.gov>; (b)(6) (b)(6) @va.gov>; (b)(6) @va.gov>; (b)(6) (b)(6) @va.gov>
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Hayes-Byrd, Jacquelyn (b)(6) @va.gov>; (b)(6) @va.gov>
Subject: White House Weekly Cabinet Report

Good afternoon,

As a reminder, please submit your White House Weekly Cabinet Report entries no later than **3pm Monday, June 10**. The inclusive dates for this report are **June 12 – July 9**.

Please include weekly updates regarding MISSION Act implementation, Forever GI Bill, Blue Water Navy, upcoming travel, and any other major items specific to your department.

Please let me know if you have any questions.

Thank you for your assistance,

Darren

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From: Bossie, Darren J.
Sent: Wed, 19 Jun 2019 17:53:20 +0000
To: (b)(6) MSgt USAF WHMO/HQ
Cc: (b)(6) @who.eop.gov
Subject: RE: [EXTERNAL] Medal of Honor Invitation - Then-Staff Sergeant David G. Bellavia, U.S. Army, Tuesday, June 25, 2019
Attachments: smime.p7s

Good afternoon MSgt (b)(6)

Thank you so much for the invitation! I do have one question. I was wondering if you will you be sending me a separate email invitation fo (b)(6) ? I had submitted his name yesterday to the White House, but used my email address as his contact information. (b)(6) s a Midshipmen 3/C at the United States Naval Academy. He will be using the 4th ticket, however he is currently in the Pacific training with the Navy. I was hoping to respond on his behalf. I only received one invitation, and it specifically says there is no plus one. I can add his name to the clearance form if that is ok? If you need a separate email address to send his invitation to, I can provide one.

Please advise at your earliest convenience.

Thank you for your assistance.

V/R,

Darren

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202-461 (b)(6)

From: (b)(6) MSgt USAF WHMO/HQ <(b)(6) @whmo.mil>
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Bellavia distinguished himself by extraordinary heroism while in action against the enemy on November 10, 2004 in Iraq during Operation IRAQI FREEDOM.

The White House Press Release can be found at the following link: https://www.whitehouse.gov/briefings-statements/president-donald-j-trump-award-medal-honor-8/

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If you are able to attend, please complete the attached Clearance Request Form and return to me no later than noon on June 20th.

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From: Bossie, Darren J.
Sent: Wed, 19 Jun 2019 19:14:18 +0000
To: (b)(6) MSgt USAF WHMO/HQ
Subject: RE: [EXTERNAL] Medal of Honor Invitation - Then-Staff Sergeant David G. Bellavia, U.S. Army, Tuesday, June 25, 2019
Attachments: Copy of Clearance Request Form.xlsx, smime.p7s

Good afternoon (b)(6)

Here is the requested information.

Please let me know if you need anything else.

Thank you so much for your assistance,

Darren

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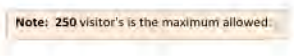
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Last_Name	First_Name	Middle_Name	DOB	SSN	Citizen	Country	Gender	City	State
(b)(6)					Y	US	M	Annapolis	MD
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From: (b)(6) VBAVACO
Sent: Mon, 24 Jun 2019 18:55:09 +0000
To: Bossie, Darren J.
Cc: Devlin, Margarita, VBAVACO;McClelland, Teri, VBAVACO
Subject: RE: VA White House Weekly Cabinet Report
Attachments: Outreach Report Reporting Period 6-26 --7-23.xlsx, VBA Cabinet Report.docx

Hi Darren!

I hope you had a good weekend! Please see VBA's Cabinet and Outreach Reports.

Thank you!

R/S

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From: Bossie, Darren J.
Sent: Friday, June 21, 2019 4:57 PM
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Hayes-Byrd, Jacquelyn (b)(6)@va.gov>(b)(6)@va.gov>;

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Brazell, Karen <(b)(6)@va.gov>
Subject: VA White House Weekly Cabinet Report

Good afternoon,

As a reminder, please submit your White House Weekly Cabinet Report entries no later than **3pm Monday, June 24**. The inclusive dates for this report are **June 26 – July 23**.

Please include weekly updates regarding MISSION Act implementation, Forever GI Bill, Blue Water Navy, burn pits, PREVENTS Initiative, EHRM, military spouse employment, events involving Members of Congress, upcoming travel, and any other major items specific to your area.

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Thank you for your assistance,

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From: Bossie, Darren J.
Sent: Tue, 25 Jun 2019 14:06:00 +0000
To: (b)(6) MSgt USAF WHMO/HQ
Subject: RE: [EXTERNAL] Medal of Honor Invitation - Then-Staff Sergeant David G. Bellavia, U.S. Army, Tuesday, June 25, 2019
Attachments: smime.p7s

Good morning (b)(6)

I know this is short notice, but one of the invited VA employees is no longer available to go to the ceremony this afternoon. Is there any way to transfer that ticket to another individual?

Please let me know if that is possible. I apologize for the last minute notification, but I would hate for the invitation to go unused.

Thank you for your assistance with this.

Respectfully,

Darren

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From: (b)(6) MSgt USAF WHMO/HQ <(b)(6)@whmo.mil>
Sent: Wednesday, June 19, 2019 3:49 PM
To: Bossie, Darren J. <(b)(6)@va.gov>
Subject: RE: [EXTERNAL] Medal of Honor Invitation - Then-Staff Sergeant David G. Bellavia, U.S. Army, Tuesday, June 25, 2019

Thank you Darren. You guys are all set.

Look forward to seeing you at the ceremony.

(b)(6)

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From: Bossie, Darren J. <(b)(6) va.gov>
Sent: Wednesday, June 19, 2019 3:14 PM
To: (b)(6) MSgt USAF WHMO/HQ <(b)(6) whmo.mil>
Subject: RE: [EXTERNAL] Medal of Honor Invitation - Then-Staff Sergeant David G. Bellavia, U.S. Army, Tuesday, June 25, 2019

Good afternoon(b)(6)

Here is the requested information.

Please let me know if you need anything else.

Thank you so much for your assistance,

Darren

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From:(b)(6) MSgt USAF WHMO/HQ <(b)(6) whmo.mil>
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To: (b)(6) MSgt USAF WHMO/HQ
Subject: RE: [EXTERNAL] Medal of Honor Invitation - Then-Staff Sergeant David G. Bellavia, U.S. Army, Tuesday, June 25, 2019
Attachments: smime.p7s

Thank you.

From: (b)(6) MSgt USAF WHMO/HQ (b)(6) @whmo.mil>
Sent: Tuesday, June 25, 2019 10:32 AM
To: Bossie, Darren J. (b)(6) @va.gov>
Subject: RE: [EXTERNAL] Medal of Honor Invitation - Then-Staff Sergeant David G. Bellavia, U.S. Army, Tuesday, June 25, 2019

Good morning (b)(6)

We have already submitted the final guest list to USSS and ca not add anyone new at this point. Thanks for letting me know. I'm a little over on guests so we do anticipate that we will have some no-shows so all of the seats should be filled.

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From: Bossie, Darren J. <(b)(6) @va.gov>
Sent: Tuesday, June 25, 2019 10:06 AM
To: (b)(6) MSgt USAF WHMO/HQ <(b)(6) whmo.mil>
Subject: RE: [EXTERNAL] Medal of Honor Invitation - Then-Staff Sergeant David G. Bellavia, U.S. Army, Tuesday, June 25, 2019

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Respectfully,

Darren

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Sent: Wednesday, June 19, 2019 3:49 PM
To: (b)(6) @va.gov>
Subject: RE: [EXTERNAL] Medal of Honor Invitation - Then-Staff Sergeant David G. Bellavia, U.S. Army, Tuesday, June 25, 2019

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Subject: RE: [EXTERNAL] Medal of Honor Invitation - Then-Staff Sergeant David G. Bellavia, U.S. Army, Tuesday, June 25, 2019

Good afternoon (b)(6)

Here is the requested information.

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Please let me know if you need anything else.

Thank you so much for your assistance,

Darren

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From: (b)(6) MSgt USAF WHMO/HQ <(b)(6)@whmo.mil>
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From: (b)(6) VBAVACO
Sent: Mon, 1 Jul 2019 17:25:17 +0000
To: Bossie, Darren J.
Cc: McClelland, Teri, VBAVACO
Subject: RE: VA Weekly Cabinet Report
Attachments: Copy of Outreach Report as of 6-28-19.xlsx, VBA Cabinet Report.docx

Good Afternoon Darren,

I hope you had a great weekend!

Please see the attached Cabinet and Outreach Report from VBA.

Thank you!

R/S

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From: Bossie, Darren J.
Sent: Friday, June 28, 2019 2:45 PM
To: (b)(6)@va.gov>; (b)(6)@va.gov>; (b)(6)@va.gov>; (b)(6)@va.gov>; (b)(6)@va.gov>; (b)(6)@va.gov>; (b)(6)@va.gov>; (b)(6)@va.gov>; (b)(6)@va.gov>; (b)(6) VBAVACO <(b)(6)@va.gov>; Quill, Joshua J., VBAVACO <(b)(6)@va.gov>; McClelland, Teri, VBAVACO <(b)(6)@va.gov>; (b)(6)@va.gov>; (b)(6)@va.gov>; (b)(6)@va.gov>; (b)(6)@va.gov>; (b)(6)@va.gov>; (b)(6)@va.gov>; (b)(6)@va.gov>; (b)(6)@va.gov>; (b)(6)@va.gov>; (b)(6)@va.gov>; (b)(6)@va.gov>; (VACO) (b)(6)@va.gov>; (b)(6)@va.gov>; Haverstock, Cathy <(b)(6)@va.gov>; (b)(6)@va.gov>; (b)(6)@va.gov>; (b)(6)@va.gov>; (b)(6)@va.gov>; (b)(6)@va.gov>; (b)(6)@va.gov>; (b)(6)@va.gov>; (b)(6)@va.gov>; Sullivan, Kathleen <(b)(6)@va.gov>; Verschoor, Thayer <(b)(6)@va.gov>; (b)(6)@va.gov>; (b)(6)@va.gov>; (b)(6)@va.gov>; (b)(6)@va.gov>; (b)(6)@va.gov>
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Subject: VA Weekly Cabinet Report

Good afternoon,

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Darren

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From: (b)(6) VBAVACO
Sent: Mon, 8 Jul 2019 18:44:57 +0000
To: Bossie, Darren J.
Cc: McClelland, Teri, VBAVACO
Subject: Cabinet Report: July 10 - August 6, 2019
Attachments: Outreach Report Reporting Period 07-10 ---08-06.xlsx, VBA Cabinet Report.docx

Hi Darren,

Please see the attached Cabinet and Outreach Report from VBA. Hope you had a great 4th!

Thank you!

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To: Bossie, Darren J.
Cc: McClelland, Teri, VBAVACO
Subject: RE: VA Weekly Cabinet Report
Attachments: Copy of Outreach Report as of 7-12-19.xlsx, VBA Cabinet Report.docx

Good Afternoon Darren!

Please see the attached Cabinet and Outreach Reports from VBA.

Thank you!!

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Brazell, Karen (b)(6) @va.gov>
Subject: VA Weekly Cabinet Report

Good afternoon,

As a reminder, please submit your White House Weekly Cabinet Report entries no later than **3pm Monday, July 15**. The inclusive dates for this report are **July 17 – August 13**.

Please include weekly updates regarding MISSION Act implementation, Forever GI Bill, Blue Water Navy, burn pits, PREVENTS Initiative, EHRM, military spouse employment, events involving Members of Congress, upcoming travel, public appearances, and any other major items specific to your area.

Please let me know if you have any questions.

Thank you and have a great weekend!

Darren

Darren Bossie
White House Liaison
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From: Bossie, Darren J.
Sent: Wed, 17 Jul 2019 15:40:12 +0000
To: (b)(6)@icloud.com
Subject: FW: West Wing Tour Request
Attachments: West Wing Tour Guidelines and Maps.pdf, West Wing and EEOB Historical Guides.pdf

Good morning (b)(6)

Please use the link below to register for your White House West Wing tour scheduled for Saturday, August 10th at 6:30pm. You are being added to another group tour, so please be sure to only register yourself.

The White House has attached additional information for your review, but please let me know if you have any additional questions.

Thank you,

Darren Bossie
White House Liaison
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Sent: Monday, July 15, 2019 2:54 PM
To: Bossie, Darren J. (b)(6)va.gov>
Subject: [EXTERNAL] FW: West Wing Tour Request

Please see below and attached for helpful information and WAVES submission for the WW tour.

Thank you, sir.

Best,

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From: White House Management Office <(b)(6)@eop.gov>
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To (b)(6) EOP/WHO <(b)(6)@who.eop.gov>
Subject: West Wing Tour Request

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(b)(6) is scheduled to guide the following tour on Saturday, August 10, 2019 at 06:30 PM for 6 guests.

Please share the attached West Wing Tour Guidelines with your guest(s). As a reminder, all guests should wear clothing appropriate to the nature of the West Wing. While photography is allowed outside the West Wing and inside the Press Briefing Room, photography is strictly prohibited inside the West Wing and in the Rose Garden.

Staff are responsible for submitting their guests' WAVES. Guests must submit their WAVES information at this link: RSVP Link. To manage your RSVPs please visit the Appointment Center.

Tour guests are authorized to enter the EEOB and West Wing only. West Wing tour guests are not allowed on the White House tour route. White House tours must be booked separately on the White House Staff Portal. Failure to comply with these guidelines may result in the revocation of West Wing tour privileges.

If you need to cancel your tour, change the tour guide, or reduce the number of scheduled guests, please click here. Failure to cancel a tour may result in reduced tour privileges.

Thank you,

White House Management Office

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WEST WING TOUR GUIDELINES

IDENTIFICATION

All guests 18 years of age or older will be required to present a valid, government-issued photo identification (detailed below). All foreign nationals must present their passport regardless of age. All other forms of foreign identification will not be accepted.

All information submitted (e.g. name, date of birth, city etc.) must exactly match the government-issued photo ID you will present when arriving at the White House.

The following forms of photo ID are acceptable for presentation to USSS upon entry to the White House complex:

- Valid government-issued United States identification card (e.g. drivers license, military ID)
- Valid United States or other official government-issued passports

No other forms of identification will be accepted; photocopies, expired IDs, or other transmissions of these documents are NOT valid.

PARKING AND TRANSPORTATION

Limited street parking is available on New York Avenue and use of public transportation is strongly encouraged. The closest metro stops to the entrance are **Farragut North** and **Farragut West**.

OTHER INFORMATION

Please consider the following during your preparations:

- Guests, including children, should wear clothing appropriate for the nature of the West Wing – business or business casual. **Jeans and shorts are not allowed**.
- Guests will be standing outside when waiting in line.
- Photography is permitted when outside of the West Wing (except the Rose garden) or in the Press Briefing Room. Photograph is prohibited while inside of the West Wing.
- If needed, guests that required use of a wheelchair will be provided with one at the entrance.

PROHIBITED ITEMS

The following items are prohibited:

- Any pointed object, including pocket knives
- Food or beverages, tobacco products, personal grooming items (i.e. makeup, lotion, etc.)
- Aerosol containers
- Guns, ammunition, fireworks, electric stun guns, mace, martial arts weapons/devices, or knives of any size

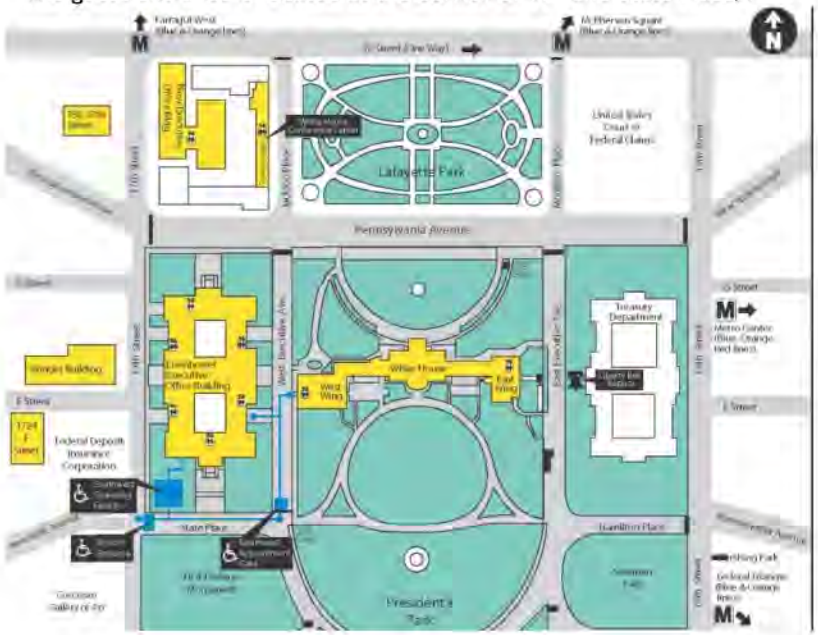
PERMITTED ITEMS

Umbrellas, wallet, cell phones and car keys are permitted. However, guests will not be allowed to use cell phones inside the White House.

All items needed for medical purposes will be permitted on the tour (e.g. wheelchairs, electric scooters, glucose tablets, EpiPens, etc.).

WEST WING TOUR GUEST ENTRANCE

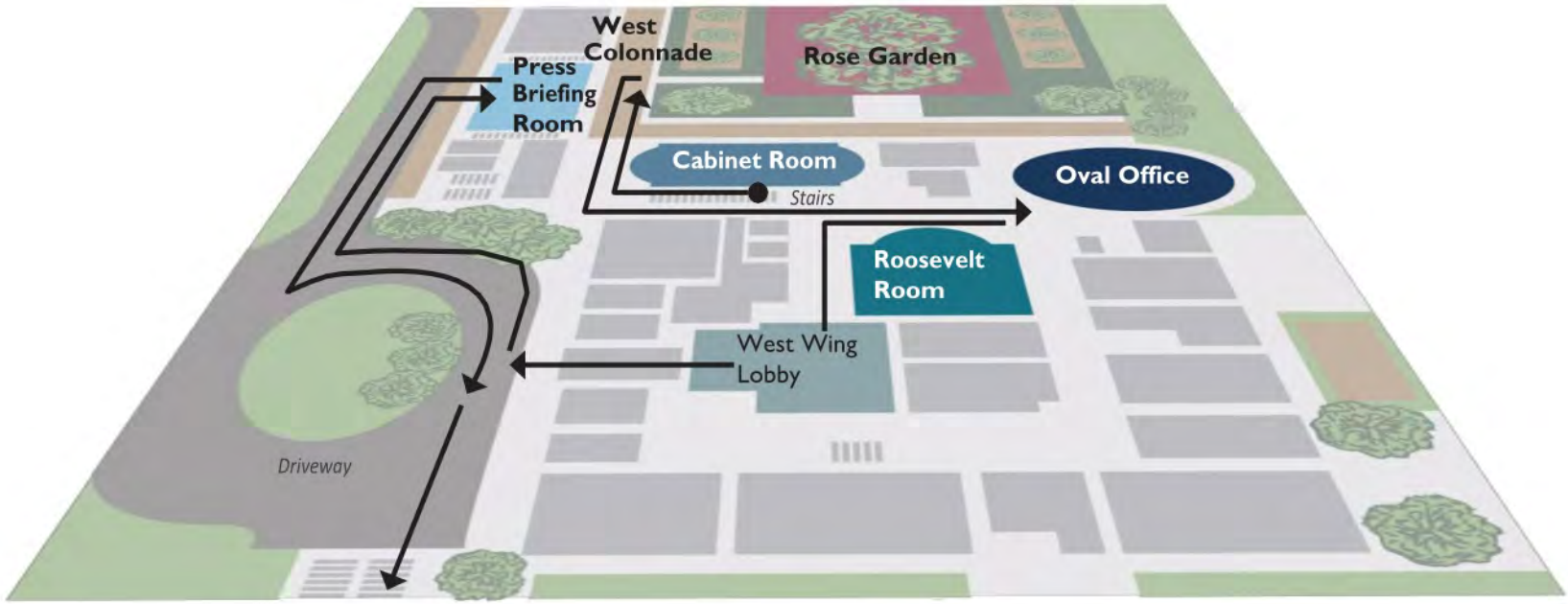
The guest entrance is located at the corner of 17th and State Place, NW



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Since 1880, the Navy has assigned their best Culinary Specialists to prepare the finest foods and provide outstanding service for the President throughout the world.



OVAL OFFICE

The Oval Office was moved from its original location in the center of the southern façade to its current location in the southeast corner. Highlights include the Presidential coat of arms in the ceiling, and the Resolute Desk. President Trump enjoys the use of President Reagan's Oval Office rug.



WEST WING LOBBY

The West Wing Lobby serves as a greeting and waiting space for distinguished guests and the press. Today, the Lobby is much smaller than it was during the 1930's, when reporters awaited updates from the President. The lobby was captured best by artist Norman Rockwell in his illustrations entitled, "So You Want to See the President." These illustrations still hang today in one of the West Wing corridors. The Administration of President Trump refurbished and improved the elegance of the West Wing Lobby.



CABINET ROOM

The large oval conference table that dominates the Cabinet Room was purchased by President Richard M. Nixon for this room in 1970. In 2004, the room was refurbished for the first time in 22 years under the direction of Mrs. Laura Bush. President Trump expanded the length of the Cabinet Room table to accommodate the growing Cabinet.



ROOSEVELT ROOM

It was first called the "Fish Room" because of the aquariums and fishing mementos displayed by President Franklin Roosevelt. The room was renamed by President Nixon to honor the contributions of both Roosevelts to the construction of the West Wing.



PRESS BRIEFING ROOM

The current Press Briefing Room was a swimming pool before President Richard Nixon ordered its conversion into a press room. The pool is still beneath the floor of the Press Briefing Room today.

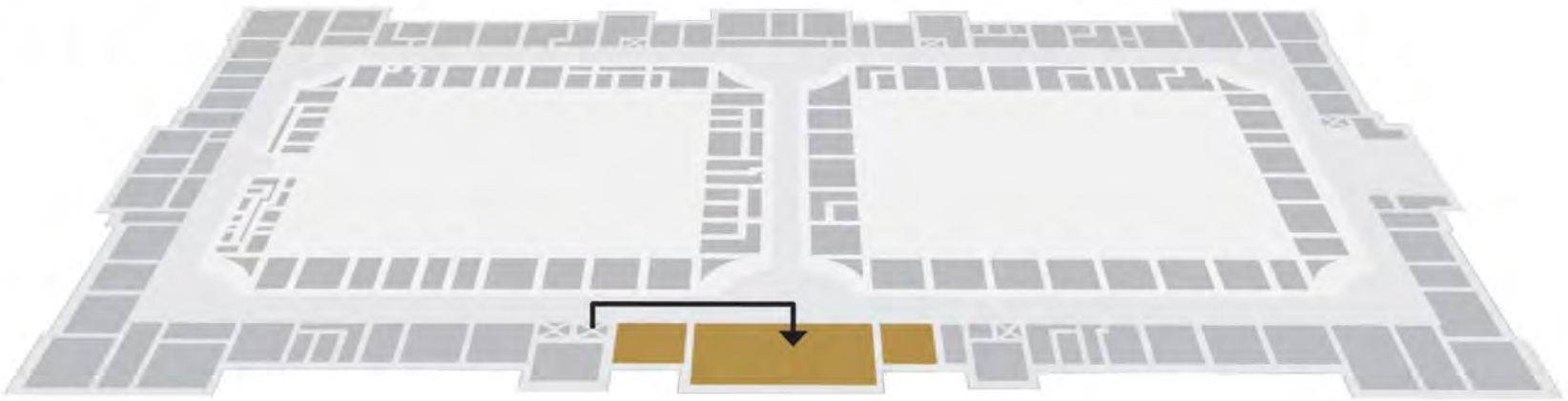
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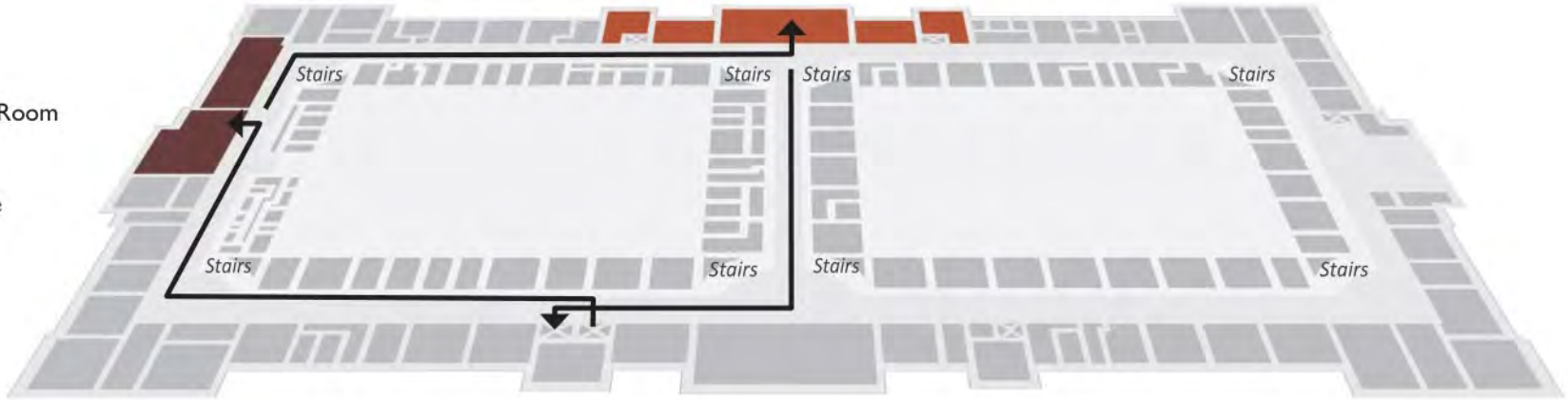
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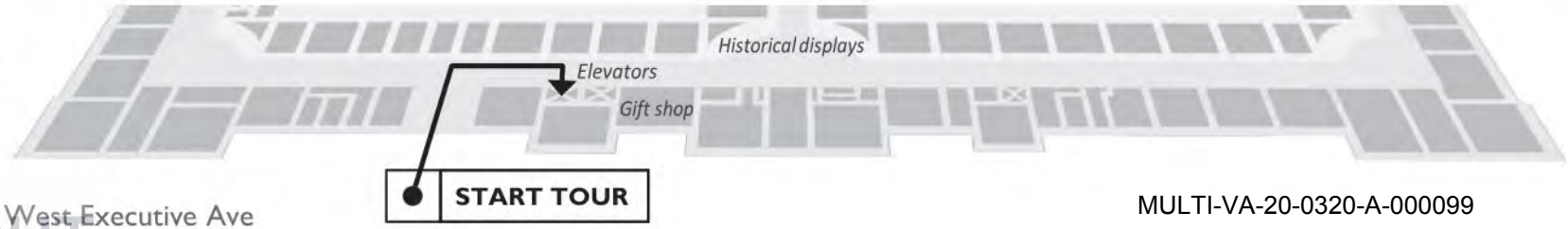
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- Secretary of War Suite
  231 & 232



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THE CORDELL HULL ROOM & THE DIPLOMATIC RECEPTION ROOM

When the south wing of the State Department first opened in 1875, it had three spectacular rooms designed to be showplaces for the department. One of these was the office of the Secretary of State with three windows opening onto the south portico and a view of the Potomac River.

SECRETARY OF WAR SUITE

The Secretary of War Suite consists of ten rooms designed by Stephen Decatur Hatch, a prominent New York architect of the late 19th-century. Beginning in March of 1888, Secretary of War William Endicott occupied the suite. The suite would continue on to be occupied by 18 Secretaries of War until July 1939. Notable Secretaries of War included William Endicott, Elihu Root, William Howard Taft, and Henry Stimson.

INDIAN TREATY ROOM

The Indian Treaty Room is located on the east wing's fourth floor and was originally the Navy Department Library. It was designed by Richard Ezdorf and was completed in 1880. The room does not resemble a library as we know it; the books were shelved in alcoves on two levels at each end adjacent to the main reading room. The Navy Department vacated the building between 1918 and 1921, with the library last to leave in 1923.

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A BRIEF HISTORY OF THE WEST WING

In 1902, President Theodore Roosevelt had the architectural firm of McKim, Mead & White design and construct a "temporary" office building for the president and his staff to the west of the original White House. The new building replaced the expansive greenhouses, built in the Jefferson administration, which had occupied the area above the western colonnade and the surrounding west lawn.

Prior to the creation of the West Wing, office space for the President and his staff was located on the eastern end of the Second Floor of the Executive Mansion, with the President's private living quarters on the western end. This arrangement had proved quite problematic over the years, with visitors to the President and reporters often wandering into the private rooms. Many presidents, particularly those with large families like Theodore Roosevelt, also found the eastern end of the Second Floor to be too small for their needs, making the removal of the office spaces from this floor highly desirable.

The new one story building was erected quickly, with the demolition of the former greenhouses beginning in July 1902 and staff moving in by mid October. Many found the new quarters to be too spartan, especially in comparison with the neighboring mansion. The President's office, then known as the President's Room, was rectangular rather than oval in shape and was located in the southeast corner of the building. The Cabinet Room was located to the north of the President's Room. Although much larger than the office space in the mansion, the executive staff quickly outgrew the new space, and the building was expanded to the south in 1909, approximately doubling its size. The first "Oval Office," located in the center of the building's southern side, was created at this time for President William Howard Taft. The Cabinet Room was moved to the southeast corner.

Again, desiring additional office space, a basement level for the West Wing was excavated in the spring of 1929. Just six months later, the building caught fire on Christmas Eve, destroying almost all of the interiors. The building was reconstructed soon thereafter almost exactly as it had been prior to the fire, with the notable addition of air conditioning.

The West Wing was enlarged to its existing size in 1934 under President Franklin Delano Roosevelt when a "penthouse" story was added and

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a larger basement was excavated for staff and support services. The Oval Office and its 1909 white marble mantel were moved to its present southeast corner location while the Cabinet Room was returned to the northeast corner of the building. Remodeling during the Richard Nixon administration in 1969 added a porte-cochere to the north façade and moved the press from the lobby to an area in the West Terrace where the former indoor swimming pool had been.

THE ROSE GARDEN

The Rose Garden, nearly a century old, retains the charm and flavor of early American gardens. Located adjacent to the West Wing, the Rose Garden serves as a presidential reception area for everyone from foreign dignitaries to astronauts. Ellen Axson Wilson, first wife of Woodrow Wilson (1913–1921), planted the first rose garden in the manner of 17th century Italian gardens. Prior to 1902, the area contained extensive stables, housing various horses and coaches.

Beginning with the establishment of the garden in the early twentieth century the Rose Garden has been used for a wide array of events. President Woodrow Wilson met there with the press for informal questions. President Hoover began a tradition of welcoming and being photographed with prominent citizens there. Calvin Coolidge used the garden for making public announcements about policy and staffing decisions. President John F.Kennedy welcomed Project Mercury astronauts in the garden. Many presidential news conferences take place in the garden, as well as occasional White House dinners and ceremonies. The marriage of President Richard Nixon's daughter Tricia to Edward F. Cox took place in the Rose Garden in 1971. In recent years, joint news conferences with the president and a visiting head of state have been held in the Rose Garden. Presidents frequently host American Olympic and major league athletes in the Rose Garden after winning in their respective sport.

No significant changes were made to the garden until 1961, when it was redesigned by Rachel Lambert Mellon for President John F. Kennedy. Now, one of the most famous gardens in the world, it follows the plan of the most 18th century American gardens; framed with osmanthus and boxwood, the planting beds that are changed seasonally form the long lines of the rectangle.

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Ever since then, roses have served as the primary flowering plants in the garden, including large numbers of "Queen Elizabeth" grandiflora roses, along with the tea roses "Pascale", "Pat Nixon", and "King's Ransom". In something of a decidedly odd tradition, each and every summer sees garden gnomes taken and placed throughout the Rose Garden on July 1st–the number of which representing the number of living presidents at that particular moment in time.

THE CABINET ROOM

In 1902, President Theodore Roosevelt had the architectural firm of McKim, Mead & White design and construct an office building to the west of the original White House at the end of the colonnade built in the Jefferson administration. From the Second Floor of the Executive Mansion he then removed his office and Cabinet Room to new quarters in this "West Wing". The Cabinet Room was placed in the northeast corner and the President's Room, which was then a rectangular rather than an oval office, in the southeast corner.

In 1909, President William Howard Taft expanded the wing to the south, constructing the first "Oval Office" at the center of this addition, moving the Cabinet Room to the southeast corner.

In 1934, President Franklin D. Roosevelt moved the Oval Office to its present southeast corner location and returned the Cabinet Room to the northeast corner in a further-expanded West Wing. In each location, the Cabinet Room retained its original 1902 mantel. Architectural features of the new room included arched windows on the east wall and drapery swag panels on the north and south walls, a motif derived from classical antiquity that was used extensively on American Federal style furniture in the late 18th and early 19th centuries.

The large oval conference table that dominates the Cabinet Room was purchased by President Richard M. Nixon for this room in 1970 and later donated to the White House Office. It was made by the Kittinger Co. in Buffalo, New York. The leather armchairs that surround the table are derived from Queen Anne armchairs in the Council Chamber at Colonial Williamsburg. Cabinet members are assigned their own chairs, as designated on the plaques on the back of the chairs, and have the option of purchasing their chairs when they leave office. The taller chair at the east side of the table is occupied by the President.

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In 2004, the room was refurbished for the first time in 22 years under the direction of Mrs. Laura Bush. The wool rug by Edward Fields, Inc. of New York has bowed ends to reflect the curvature in the north and south walls, a red field spangled with gold stars, and a border composed of olive branches, the symbol of peace that appears in the Presidential Seal.

Six gold eagle-form sconces, created by Cox, Nostrand & Garrison, Inc., of Brooklyn, N.Y., for the room in 1930 when it was rebuilt after the 1929 fire, were re-installed; they were likely removed during the Kennedy refurbishing which added fluorescent lighting. The two bell-shaped dish lights contemporary with these patriotic Art Deco sconces did not survive the Kennedy administration changes, but three larger reproductions were commissioned from Gibson & Gibson Antique Lighting, Chula Vista, California.

WHITE HOUSE COLLECTION OBJECTS:

The Declaration of Independence of the United States of American, July 4, 1776
by Charles-Edouard Armand-Dumaresq
Oil on canvas, c. 1873. Over the fireplace mantel is depiction of the Second Continental Congress adopting the Declaration of Independence on July 4, 1776. Although inspired by John Trumbull's famous painting of that historical scene, it is not a copy of it.

George Washington **by Charles Willson Peale**
Oil on canvas, 1776. This is believed to be the artist's only replica of his 1776 portrait of Washington in dress uniform painted for John Hancock (now in the Brooklyn Museum of Art). The city of Boston can be seen in the distance, the siege and liberation of which, 1775-76, is commemorated as Washington's first great success.

President Harry S. Truman **by Frank O. Salisbury**
Oil on canvas, 1946. Frank O. Salisbury was a popular British artist who specialized in portraits and scenes of historical events. In addition to likenesses of British royalty, he also painted government leaders including Prime Minister Winston Churchill and Presidents Woodrow Wilson, Calvin Coolidge, Herbert Hoover, and Franklin D. Roosevelt. President Truman sat for Salisbury on several occasions in the fall of 1946, usually in a makeshift studio set up in the office of Press Secretary Charles Ross. The President, portrayed in the Oval Office, holds

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in his right hand a joint statement on the control and use of atomic energy, which was signed by Truman, British Prime Minister Clement Attlee, and Canadian Prime Minister Mackenzie King on November 15, 1945. In the background, at left, is a globe from his office, a gift from then General Dwight D. Eisenhower. On a tour of the Truman Library museum for museum docents on November 21, 1957, Truman said of his portrait: "I call that my stuffed shirt painting." Salisbury is represented in the White House collection by a 1947 replica of his 1934 portrait of President Franklin D. Roosevelt. [Courtesy the Harry S. Truman Library]. On loan from the Harry S. Truman Library, 2009.

THE OVAL OFFICE

When the West Wing was first constructed in 1902, the President's office, located in the southeast corner of the building, was rectangular. The first oval-shaped executive office, inspired by the oval rooms within the Executive Residence, was created in 1909 for President William Howard Taft as part of a building expansion. When the West Wing was renovated again in 1934, the Oval Office was moved from its original location in the center of the southern façade to its current location in the southeast corner.

Presidential Coat of Arms in Ceiling
The Presidential coat of arms in plaster relief in the ceiling was first added to the room during the 1934 renovation. In 1965, it was modified to add two state stars and to change the direction of the eagle's head towards its own right (towards the talon holding the olive branch), as dictated by President Truman's 1945 redefinition of the Presidential Seal.

"Resolute" Desk
This double pedestal desk was made from the oak timbers of the British ship H.M.S. Resolute as a gift to President Rutherford B. Hayes from Queen Victoria in 1880. It has been used by every president since Hayes, excepting Presidents Johnson, Nixon, and Ford, 1964-1977. President John F. Kennedy was the first president to use this desk in the Oval Office; prior to that time, it was used in the Executive Residence.

The desk was used in the President's Office on the Second Floor of the Residence from 1880 until 1902, at which time the office was moved to the newly constructed West Wing. This desk remained, however, on

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the Second Floor of the Residence in the President's Study. President Franklin D. Roosevelt requested that the rear kneehole be fitted with a panel carved with the presidential coat of arms, but he did not live to see it installed in 1945.

After the Truman Renovation of the White House, 1948-1952, the desk was placed in the Broadcast Room on the Ground Floor where it was used by President Dwight D. Eisenhower during radio and television broadcasts. It was first used in the Oval Office in 1961 at the request of President John F. Kennedy. After President Lyndon B. Johnson selected another desk for his office, it was lent to a Kennedy Library traveling exhibition, 1964-1965, and then to the Smithsonian Institution for exhibition, 1966-1977.

In January 1977, President Jimmy Carter requested that this historic desk be returned to the White House for use again in the Oval Office. In 1981, President Ronald W. Reagan also chose to use this desk in the Oval Office. President George Bush used it in the Oval Office for five months in 1989 before having it moved to his Residence Office in exchange for a partner's desk which he had used in his West Wing office as Vice President.

This historic desk, returned to the Oval Office for President Bill Clinton, was also used by Presidents George W. Bush and Barack Obama, and has been retained by President Donald Trump.

A brass plaque affixed to the desk records the history of its creation: H.M.S. "Resolute," forming part of the expedition sent in search of Sir John Franklin in 1852, was abandoned in Latitude 74 41' N. Longitude 101 22' W. on 15th May 1854. She was discovered and extricated in September 1855, in Latitude 67 N. by Captain Buddington of the United States Whaler "George Henry." The ship was purchased,fitted out and sent to England, as a gift to Her Majesty Queen Victoria by the President and People of the United States, as a token of goodwill & friendship. This table was made from her timbers when she was broken up, and is presented by the Queen ofGreat Britain & Ireland, to the President of the United States, as a memorial of the courtesy and loving kindness which dictated the offer of the gift of the "Resolute."

Rug

The current rug was custom-made for the Oval Office by KMM Corporation in Lewiston, Maine for President Ronald Reagan in 1988. President Donald Trump requested that this rug be returned when he

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assumed office. Every president since Reagan has commissioned a new rug for the Oval Office, although prior to this time, rugs were used for multiple administrations. Oval Office rugs remain part of the White House collection and do not leave with the President who selected them. The rug features the Presidential coat of arms on a golden beige and ivory field of rays derived from early-19th-century French rugs.

Architectural features of the present Oval Office, as designed by Eric Gugler in 1934, include: the Presidential coat of arms in plaster relief in the ceiling (as modified in 1965 to add two state stars and to reflect President Truman's 1945 redefinition of the seal); the doors to the veranda and study, each with a pediment above a horizontal fasces, the classical symbol of the governing authority; and the window and shelf niches with shell canopies modeled after those in the Yellow Oval Room in the Residence.

The current floor of walnut and white oak was installed in August 2005, replacing an identical floor laid in 1982. The 1982 floor was the first time hardwood had been used in the Oval Office: the original (1934) flooring in this room was made of cork, which was covered with wood-grain vinyl in 1969 during the Nixon administration.

WHITE HOUSE COLLECTION OBJECTS:

***Alexander Hamilton* by John Trumbull**
Oil on canvas, c. 1805. Trumbull was best known for portraits of America's founding fathers and scenes of the American Revolution. Alexander Hamilton was the first Secretary of the Treasury during George Washington's presidency. This is one of eight replicas made by the artist from an original likeness painted in 1804 for the City Hall of New York.

***Martin Luther King, Jr.* by Charles Alston**
Bronze, 1970. Dr. King visited the White House on several occasions and was on hand to see President Lyndon Johnson sign the Civil Rights Act of 1964 in the East Room. An influential teacher, Charles Alston was a founding member of the Harlem Arts Workshop in 1934.

***George Washington* by Rembrandt Peale**
Oil on panel, c. 1823. The painting hanging above the mantel is believed to be based on an 1823 portrait, also by Rembrandt Peale, on display in the Old Senate Chamber of the United States Capitol. From it, Peale

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painted 79 similar "porthole" portraits, some showing Washington in civilian dress and others showing him in uniform.

***Thomas Jefferson* by George P.A. Healy**
Oil on canvas, c. 1842-1860. This likeness, based on a c. 1810 life portrait by Gilbert Stuart, is part of series of presidential portraits commissioned in 1842 by French King Louis Philippe for the gallery at Versailles. The series was never delivered and was eventually acquired for the Corcoran Gallery of Art.

On loan from the National Gallery of Art, formerly the Corcoran Gallery of Art Collection, 1981.

***Winston Churchill* by Sir Jacob Epstein**
Bronze, 1946. In the 1940s, the British Ministry of Information commissioned six busts and statues of wartime leaders, the most notable being the 1946 bust of Winston Churchill. Churchill, as Prime Minister of Great Britain, stayed in the White House several times during World War II.

On loan from the United Kingdom Government Art Collection, 2017.

***Thomas Jefferson* by Rembrandt Peale**
Oil on canvas, 1800. This life portrait of Jefferson as Vice President was painted in Philadelphia less than a year before he assumed the presidency. It became the prototype for many American and European engravings and the most popular 19th century image of Jefferson.

***Abraham Lincoln* by Augustus Saint-Gaudens**
Bronze, c. 1923. In 1884, the sculptor was chosen to create a bronze statue of Lincoln for Chicago's Lincoln Park. The standing figure, with head slightly bent down, was considered one of the most successful and expressive likenesses, and was later recast on a smaller scale. Around 1923, several bust-size versions were made, of which this is example.

***Andrew Jackson* by Clark Mills**
White metal, 1855. On January 8, 1853, the 38th anniversary of the British defeat at New Orleans, an important sculpture of Major General Andrew Jackson was unveiled in the center of Lafayette Park with President Franklin Pierce in attendance. The statue was the first life-size bronze equestrian statue cast in the United States. This miniature version was purchased by the government in 1859 for the White House.

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***Andrew Jackson* by Ralph E.W. Earl**
Oil on canvas, c. 1835. The artist was related by marriage to Andrew Jackson's wife, Rachel. Earl painted many portraits of President Jackson as well as other members of the family. Earl's portrait of Emily Donelson, who served as official hostess during the Jackson Administration, hangs in the Queens' Bedroom. Earl spent a great deal of time at the Jackson White House and used what is now the Queens' Bedroom, as a bedroom and studio. He is buried at the Hermitage, Jackson's home outside of Nashville, Tennessee.

***The Bronco Buster* by Frederic Remington**
Bronze c. 1903. This popular western bronze has been on view in the Oval Office since it was given to the White House collection in 1973. The original design, copyrighted in 1895, was Remington's first work of sculpture.

***Theodore Roosevelt* by James Earle Fraser**
Bronze, c. 1910. Theodore Roosevelt is portrayed in the neckerchief and uniform jacket worn when he was a Rough Rider (1st Cavalry Volunteers) in the Spanish-American War. The sculptor is best known for poignant Indian figure, The End of the Trail, and for his design of the buffalo nickel.

***Abraham Lincoln* by George Henry Story**
Oil on canvas, c. 1915. This likeness is based on sketches Story made of President Lincoln in his White House office (now the Lincoln Bedroom) in June 1861.

THE ROOSEVELT ROOM

When the West Wing was constructed in 1902, the site of this room was the southeast corner of the building occupied by the President's office and anteroom. When the Wing was expanded to the south in 1909, the space became parts of two waiting rooms. When the Wing was expanded to the east in 1934, it assumed its present function as a centrally located conference room across the corridor from the repositioned Oval Office. It retained the painted wooden mantel which had been in the 1902 President's Room and was equipped with a skylight lit from a shaft passing through the Wing's new second floor.

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As a conference room, it was first called the "Fish Room" because of the aquariums and fishing mementos displayed by President Franklin D. Roosevelt. The tradition of this name was revived in the early 1960s when President John F. Kennedy hung a large mounted sailfish which he had caught in Acapulco.

The room was renamed the "Roosevelt Room" by President Richard Nixon in 1969 to honor the contributions of Theodore Roosevelt in erecting the West Wing and of Franklin D. Roosevelt in enlarging the Wing to its present size.

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***Theodore Roosevelt* by James Earle Fraser**
Bronze-patinated metal plaque, c. 1920. The sculptor best known for his Indian figure, The End of the Trail, and his design of the buffalo nickel. It includes a quotation attributed to Roosevelt–"Aggressive fighting for the right is the noblest sport the world affords." The plaque was acquired by the General Services Administration in 1969.

***Franklin D. Roosevelt* by John DeStefano**
Bronze, c. 1933. The profile bust portrait is surmounted by a spread-winged eagle and flanked by fasces, the Roman symbol of authority. The title panel includes a quotation from the Roman statesman Seneca–"I shall hold my rudder true."

On loan from the Franklin D. Roosevelt Library, 1969.

***Crossing the River Platte* by Worthington Whittredge**
Oil on canvas, c. 1871. Whittredge accompanied the 1865-66 General John Pope expedition, traveling across the Plains along the Platte River and Rocky Mountains from Kansas to New Mexico. Later in his New York studio, he painted this scene from sketches made during his travels showing Indians fording the river in what is now eastern Colorado.

***Franklin D. Roosevelt* by Alfred Jonniaux**
Oil on canvas, 1958. This posthumous likeness of Franklin Roosevelt was commissioned by his close friend and law partner, Basil "Doc" O'Connor, who helped Roosevelt establish the Georgia Warm Springs Foundation and the National Foundation for Infantile Paralysis (now called the March of Dimes Foundation). It has been on loan from the Franklin D. Roosevelt Library since 1978.

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***Eleanor Roosevelt* by Alva Museum Reproductions, after Victor Lamkay**
Composite stone, bronze patina, wood base, c. 1993. The original work was sculpted in 1962 and 1963. Sculptor Victor Lamkay had hoped to get permission for sittings with Mrs. Roosevelt, but she died before he could do so. From photographs, the artist was able to complete the bronze, now in the Franklin D. Roosevelt Library.

***Theodore Roosevelt* by Tade Styka**
Oil on canvas, 1909. Roosevelt is depicted in a tan uniform, possibly his Rough Rider outfit. This likeness is thought to have been painted from sittings in the artist's studio near Paris during Roosevelt's post-presidential tour of Europe, 1909.

***View of the City of Washington from the Virginia Shore* by William MacLeod**
Oil on canvas, 1856. The artist, who appears in the lower right foreground, painted this view of Washington from across the Potomac River near his native Alexandria, Virginia. Visible in the background are the unfinished Washington Monument, at the left; the U.S. Capitol with the earlier Bulfinch dome, at center; and the Washington Navy Yard, at the right.

***Our Vanishing Wildlife* by Alexander Pope**
Bronze, c. 1915-24. This sculpture of a bison battling three wolves was displayed by the artist at the Panama-Pacific Exposition in San Francisco in 1915 at which it was judged one of the best sculptures.

Nobel Peace Prize Medal
The medal was awarded to President Theodore Roosevelt in 1906 for his mediation of the Russo-Japanese War peace settlement. The first Nobel prize awarded to an American, it was a gift to the White House from the Theodore Roosevelt Association and presented to President Ronald Reagan in 1982 in the Roosevelt Room on the 125th anniversary of Theodore Roosevelt's birth.

Medal of Honor
Awarded posthumously to Theodore Roosevelt, January 16, 2001 to honor his heroism in the Spanish-American War, 1898. The medal was presented to President George W. Bush for the White House collection by Roosevelt family in ceremony held in the Roosevelt Room, September 16, 2002.

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Mantel Clock made by the Chelsea Clock Co., Boston Brass and pine, mid-20th century.
The circular brass ship's clock is set in a wooden frame.

THE WEST WING RECEPTION ROOM

When the West Wing was erected in 1902, a rectangular lobby was placed at the center of the north side of the building, opening directly to the driveway beneath a small porch. When the wing was expanded in 1909, it remained unchanged, while two adjacent rooms were converted into additional waiting rooms. In 1929, the Congressional Waiting Room became an office, while the General Waiting Room was absorbed into an enlarged T-shaped Lobby.

In 1934, when the President's Oval Office and the Cabinet Room were moved into the eastern extension of the West Wing, a new lobby was created at the center of the building with access through a narrow foyer leading to the north doorway. The somewhat informal character of this new lobby, which was a waiting room for both distinguished visitors and the press alike, was captured by artist Norman Rockwell in a four-panel illustration entitled, So You Want to See the President, drawn for the November 13, 1943 issue of the Saturday Evening Post.

With the construction of new press facilities in the West Terrace in 1970, the lobby was renovated to provide a smaller, more intimate reception room. The southern half of the room was walled off, becoming two staff offices entered from the south corridor.

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***The First Naval Action in the War of 1812* by William John Huggins**
Oil on canvas, 1816. This large maritime painting depicts the naval division of Commodore John Rodgers pursuing the British frigate H.M.S. Belvidera, five days after the United States had declared war on Great Britain in 1812. It is probably based on a sketch made by James Stilwell, an officer on the Belvidera.

***Rutland Falls, Vermont* by Frederic E. Church**
Oil on canvas, 1848. Considered part of the second generation of the Hudson River School, Church was a major 19th-century American landscape painter best known for [illegible] in

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North and South America. His landscapes were somewhat idealized with every aspect of nature depicted in great detail. A special emphasis was placed on light and cloud effects, often with very dramatic results.

***Shinnecock Hills, Long Island* by William Merritt Chase**
Oil on panel, 1900. Chase taught a successful summer art school at Shinnecock on the eastern end of Long Island, 1891-1902. Considered amongst his finest works are the paintings of the coastal landscape around his house and studio (designed by Stanford White), of which this is one.

***James Monroe* by Adrian Lamb, after Gilbert Stuart**
Oil on canvas, 1975. This likeness is a copy of a c. 1818-20 Gilbert Stuart portrait, now in the collection of the Metropolitan Museum of Art in New York.

***Emigrant Scene* attributed to William Henry Powell**
Oil on canvas, c. 1837. Powell found success as a portraitist and later as a painter of historical subjects. In 1847, he was selected to create the last painting for the U.S. Capitol Rotunda, replacing his former teacher, Henry Inman, who had died suddenly in 1846. Perhaps Powell's best known painting, this mammoth work entitled, Discovery of the Mississippi by De Soto, portrayed the Spanish explorer's arrival on May 8, 1541.

***Donner Lake from the Summit* by Edwin Deakin**
Oil on canvas, 1876. This panoramic view features Donner Lake, located in northeast California on the eastern edge of the Sierra Nevada mountain range. Deakin, an English-born artist, came to California in 1870 and established a studio in the San Francisco area, where he resided for the remainder of his life. He was best known for views of California's Spanish-era missions, Chinatown, and the aftermath of the 1906 earthquake.

***Vernal Falls, Yosemite* by Thomas Hill**
***Nevada Falls, Yosemite* by Thomas Hill,**
Oil on canvas, 1889. This pair of scenic paintings was created by Thomas Hill, an artist best known for his views of Yosemite Valley. Hill moved permanently to California in 1871, and in the 1880s, established a studio in Yosemite that today serves as the National Park Service visitor center.

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***Cannonading on the Potomac, October, 1861* by Alfred Wordsworth Thompson**
Oil on canvas, c. 1868-70. Thompson painted this American Civil War scene from sketches made of the Battle of Ball's Bluff, on the Potomac River near Leesburg, Virginia, on October 21, 1861. On the reverse side of the canvas is an inscription: "...Col. E[dward]. D. Baker, Commanding, was killed in this action." A U.S. Senator from Oregon, Baker was a longtime friend of Abraham Lincoln; the president's second son was his namesake. Among those wounded in this battle, a tactical blunder for the routed Federal troops, was Oliver Wendell Holmes, Jr., later a justice of the U.S. Supreme Court.

Bookcase
Mahogany, c. 1770, English. The bookcase holds bound copies of presidential documents.

THE PRESS BRIEFING ROOM

The current Press Room did not exist until President Richard Nixon converted the indoor swimming pool to the present day space. The indoor swimming pool, which still exists below the Press Room floor, was installed during President Franklin D. Roosevelt's administration in 1933 placed between the White House and the West Wing.

President Nixon started the conversion of the space into a lounge and press offices that could also serve as a press briefing room starting in 1969. Since 1970, the White House press corps have gathered in this space to listen to briefings and reports presented by the press secretary. The space was last updated in 2005 by President George W. Bush.

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The Eisenhower Executive Office Building (EEOB) is located next to the West Wing, and houses a majority of offices for White House staff. Originally built for the State, War, and Navy Departments between 1871 and 1888, the EEOB is an impressive building that commands a unique position in both our national history and architectural heritage.

Designed by Supervising Architect of the Treasury Alfred Mullett, the granite, slate, and cast iron exterior makes the EEOB one of America's best examples of the French Second Empire style of architecture. Construction took 17 years as the building slowly rose wing by wing. The EEOB was finished in 1888 and was the largest office building in Washington with nearly 2 miles of black and white tiled corridors.

The Navy Department left in 1918 (except for the Secretary who stayed until 1921), followed by the War Department in 1938, and finally by the State Department in 1947. The White House began to move some of its offices across West Executive Avenue in 1939, and in 1949 the building was turned over to the Executive Office of the President and renamed the Executive Office Building. The building was designated a National Historic Landmark in 1969. The building continues to house various agencies that comprise the Executive Office of the President, such as the White House Office, the Office of the Vice President, the Office of Management and Budget, and the National Security Council.



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The Vice President's Ceremonial Office



The current Vice President's Ceremonial Office was originally used as the Secretary of Navy's office from 1879 to 1923. From 1923 to 1947, General John Pershing occupied the office initially as the Army Chief of Staff then as the Chairman of the Battle and Monuments Commission, becoming the longest single occupant of this room (24 years). Additionally, President Hoover used the office for three months following a Christmas Eve fire in the West Wing in 1929.

Since 1960 it has been used as the Vice President's Ceremonial Office with the exception of Vice President Hubert Humphrey, because Lyndon Johnson did not give up the office when he became President after the Kennedy assassination.

The current desk is part of the White House collection, and was commissioned to be built for Theodore Roosevelt's use in the Oval Office. Several important figures have used the desk including Presidents Taft, Wilson, Harding, Coolidge, and for a few months, Hoover. The desk was placed in storage early on during Herbert Hoover's Presidency where it remained until 1945 when President Truman then used it. Vice President Johnson and all subsequent Vice Presidents (except Hubert Humphrey) have used the desk. Since the 1940s, various users have signed the inside of the top drawer.



The top drawer has been signed by Vice Presidents Cheney, Gore, Quayle, Mondale, and Rockefeller; and Presidents Truman and Eisenhower.





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Secretary of War Suite



The Secretary of War Suite consists of ten rooms designed by Stephen Decatur Hatch, a prominent New York architect of the late 19th-century. Beginning in March of 1888, Secretary of War William Endicott occupied the suite. The suite would continue on to be occupied by 18 Secretaries of War until July 1939. Notable Secretaries of War included William Endicott, Elihu Root, William Howard Taft, and Henry Stimson.



History made in these rooms included the development, review, and acceptance of all plans of defense for our nation and our armed forces in times of conflict as well as in times of peace between 1888 and 1939. The War Department moved from the building between 1938–39. The Bureau of the Budget, newly established by Franklin Roosevelt's administration, immediately took possession of these rooms.

Another event of interest occurred in 1908, while in his office in what is now EEOB 230B, Secretary of War Taft received word by telephone that the Republican convention in Chicago had nominated him for the presidency.

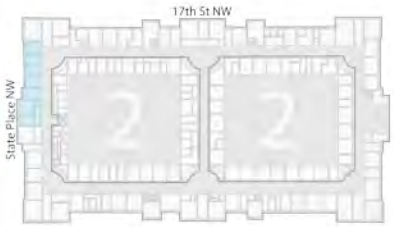




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The Cordell Hull Room & the Diplomatic Reception Room



When the south wing of the State Department first opened in 1875, it had three spectacular rooms designed to be showplaces for the department. One of these was the office of the Secretary of State located at the center of the second floor with three windows opening onto the south portico and a view of the Potomac River. The other two rooms included the State Department Library (now the EOP Library) and the Diplomatic Reception Room (room 212, pictured upper right).

A total of 24 men served 25 terms as Secretary of State (James G. Blaine served as Secretary of State for two terms—the first term March 1881 to December 1881, and the second term March 1889 to June 1892) in the EEOB. Hamilton Fish was the first Secretary of State to serve in this office, from July 1875 to March 1877. He and his staff moved into the building before the wing was fully completed in December 1875.

Many important events have occurred in these rooms. In 1898, Secretary of State John Hay handed the Spanish ambassador his credentials and passport, thus signifying our declaration of war against Spain. During his term, Hay supported an American imperialist solution to the Spanish-American War, helped formulate the "Open Door" policy in China, arranged treaties to facilitate the building of the Panama Canal, and worked with President Roosevelt in settling the Russo-Japanese War.

On Sunday morning, December 7, 1941, Secretary of State Cordell Hull was in his office (pictured lower right) meeting with his aides and discussing the volatile situation in the Far East. The meeting was interrupted when intercepted messages between Japanese Foreign Minister Togo and Japanese Ambassadors to the US were delivered to Secretary Hull's office. After receiving a phone call from President Roosevelt informing him of a Japanese attack on Pearl Harbor, Secretary Hull met with the Japanese Ambassador. The next day, Congress declared war on Japan. Later, in 1942, the United Nations Declaration was drafted and signed in this room.

George Catlett Marshall was the last Secretary of State to serve in this office. Marshall oversaw the move of the Department of State staff from the EEOB to their new offices in Foggy Bottom, in the old War Department building, which was mostly complete by May 1947.





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The War Library / The Law Library



Originally designated as the War Department Library, the room was designed by Austrian-born Richard Ezdorf, a draftsman for the Supervising Architect of the Treasury, and completed in 1887. Ezdorf selected an eclectic mix of the French Renaissance, Classical, and Gothic Revival styles. Mixing elements of these styles was very popular in the late 19th-century and became characteristic of the high Victorian style.

The War Department's library collection included books, charts, maps, and photographs. This includes photographs and their negatives taken by Mathew Brady during the Civil War, which were acquired by the War Department in 1875 for $25,000 when financial difficulties forced Brady to sell them. The U.S. Signal Corps became responsible for the library in 1894, and the War Department occupied the space until 1938 when they vacated the building.

Between 1938 and 1970, the library was used for storage. In 1970, the library was renovated for use as a conference room. The library is currently used to house the Law Library for the Executive Office of the President.



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Indian Treaty Room



The Indian Treaty Room is located on the east wing's fourth floor and was originally the Navy Department Library. It was designed by Richard Ezdorf and was completed in 1880. The room does not resemble a library as we know it; the books were shelved in alcoves on two levels at each end adjacent to the main reading room. The Navy Department vacated the building between 1918 and 1921, with the library last to leave in 1923.

The Indian Treaty Room was later used for presidential press conferences from 1950 until 1961. President Eisenhower held the first televised presidential press conference in this room on January 19, 1955. Phone booths were located just outside the door to accommodate the press needing to call in their stories for late breaking news.

The room's designation as the "Indian Treaty Room" is one of the building's most interesting mysteries. It is not known how the room inherited its name despite considerable research. Its first mention in the press was in 1954, and many recall the days between 1923 and 1942 when the State Department used the room as storage space, and perhaps someone thought that treaties with Native American tribes were stored in the room.





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East Rotunda

Located on the West Executive Avenue, center corridor side of the EEOB, the East Rotunda was designed for the Department of Navy by Richard Ezdorf, chief draftsman for the Supervising Architect of the Treasury; completed in 1879.



West Rotunda

Located on the 17th Street, center corridor side of the EEOB, the West Rotunda was designed for the Department of War by Richard Ezdorf, chief draftsman for the Supervising Architect of the Treasury; completed in 1888.



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Truman Bowling Alley

On April 19, 1947, President Harry Truman was presented with the gift of two bowling lanes in the basement of the Executive Offices (today's West Wing where the Situation Room is presently located). The lanes came with an automatic pinsetter, which had been successfully introduced the year before at the 1946 American Bowling Congress (ABC) Tournament by AMF. In 1953, President Truman gave the lanes to the employees of the White House and the bowling alley first opened. In 1955, the lanes were moved from the West Wing's basement to the EEOB's basement.

President Richard Nixon was the most avid of the presidential bowlers, spending as many as four hours at a time rolling games.







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Attachments: Copy of Outreach Report as of 7-19-19.xlsx, VBA Cabinet Report.docx

Hi Darren,

Please see VBA's Cabinet and Outreach Report.

Thank you!

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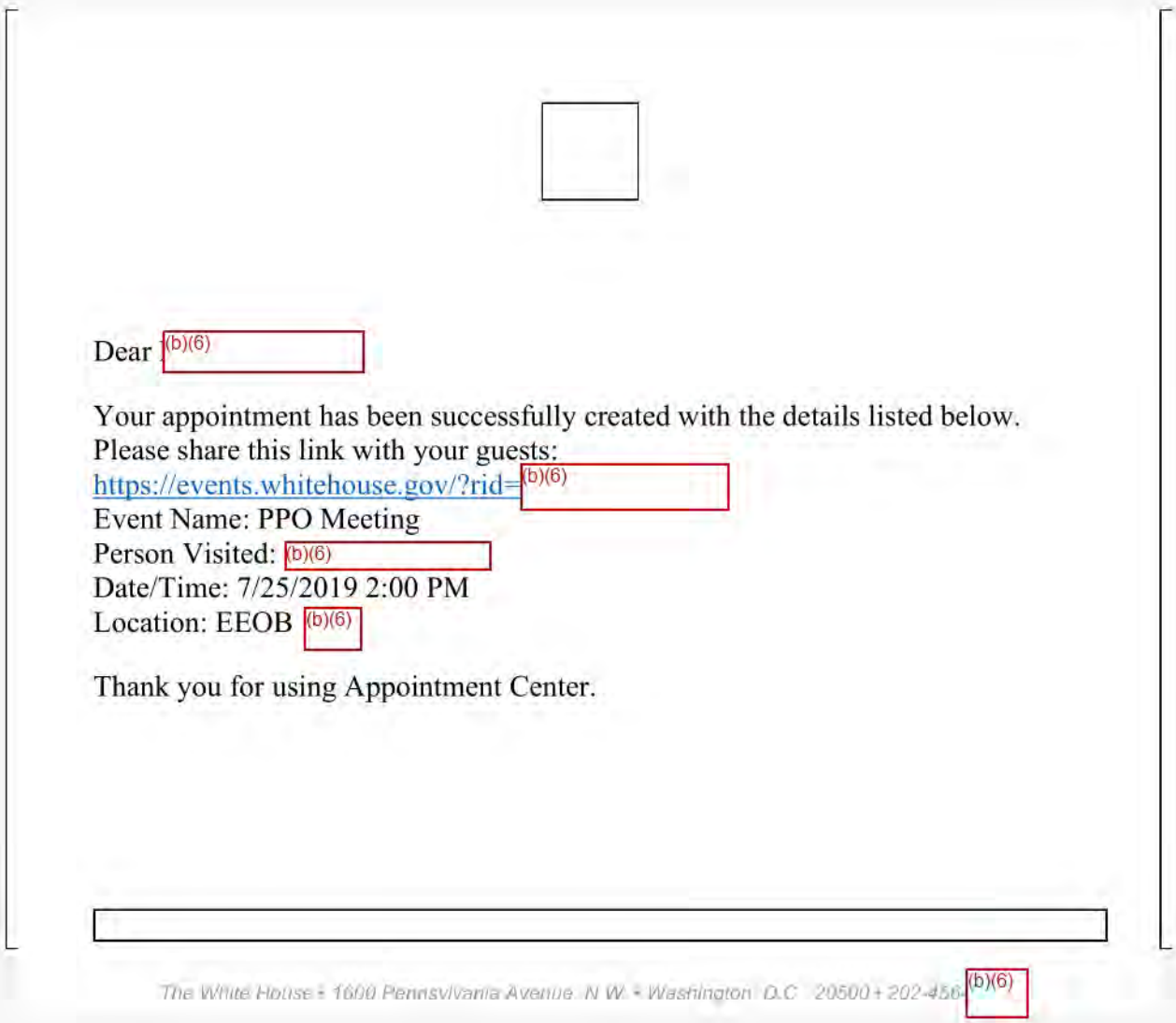
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Hi Darren!

Please see VBA's Cabinet and Outreach reports.

Thank you!!

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Subject: VA Weekly White House cabinet Report

Good afternoon,

As a reminder, please submit your White House Weekly Cabinet Report entries no later than **3pm Monday, July 29**. The inclusive dates for this report are **July 31 – August 27**.

Please include weekly updates regarding MISSION Act implementation, Forever GI Bill, Blue Water Navy, burn pits, PREVENTS Initiative, EHRM, military spouse employment, events involving Members of Congress, upcoming travel, public appearances, and any other major items specific to your area.

Please let me know if you have any questions.

Thank you and have a great weekend!

Darren

Darren Bossie
White House Liaison
Office of the Secretary
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From: Bossie, Darren J.
Sent: Wed, 31 Jul 2019 13:39:09 +0000
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Exercise -- Fire Drill for Building 810 Vermont -- Exercise

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This is an EXERCISE of the fire drill procedures for building 810 Vermont Ave, Washington, DC. Evacuate immediately following evacuation procedures and report to your designated meeting place.

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Sent: Tue, 6 Aug 2019 15:03:40 +0000
To: (b)(6) @dcmarines.com
Subject: FW: [EXTERNAL] Marine Barracks Washington - Parade Reservation Request Approval

Good morning!

Thank you for the response to my request for 5 seats to the evening parade on Friday, August 9th.

I wanted to inquire if there is any possibility to change my request to 5 seats for the Evening Parade on Friday, August 30?

Please let me know if this is possible.

Thank you,

Darren Bossie
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Gate: Gate 8

Dear White House Liaison Bossie,

Guests: (b)(6)

Thank you for your interest in attending the Marine Barracks, Washington Evening Parade; a tradition of over 60 years held at the Oldest Post of the United States Marine Corps. Your request for 5 person(s) to attend the Friday, 9 August 2019 Evening Parade has been approved. Please utilize this (printed) email as your confirmation and present it at the entrance along with a government issued photo ID. Your "ticket" identification number and entrance gate number are reflected above. If the reservation is for a GROUP; your party should arrive together to be seated. All members of the group will be required to have the appropriate identification documents.

The Gates at Marine Barracks, Washington will open at 7:00 P.M. Please arrive to your assigned gate no later than 7:30 pm. Groups of 20 or more guests must arrive no later than 7:15 p.m. The general admission Gate will open at

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8:00 p.m. and all unclaimed seats will be filled with general admission guests.

Due to a heightened security posture, please be advised that all guests will be required to present a government issued photo ID and walk through metal detectors. Purses, handbags, backpacks, and strollers will be searched for weapons or other contraband.

Public transportation is highly recommended because of the limited parking available in the vicinity of Marine Barracks Washington. We encourage you to arrive early and patronize the businesses and eateries along 8th Street and the Barracks Row community before entering Marine Barracks Washington. No food or drinks will be allowed during the Parade. The summer months in Washington D.C. are quite hot, we recommend to drink plenty of water on the day of the parade.

We look forward to your visit to Marine Barracks, Washington!

For more information on the parades, closest metro, parking, and parade cancellations, please visit our websites at:

Website: http://www.barracks.marines.mil/Parades/General-information/
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To: Bossie, Darren J.
Cc: McClelland, Teri, VBAVACO
Subject: RE: VA Weekly White House Cabinet Report
Attachments: Outreach Report as of 8-1-19.xlsx, VBA Cabinet Report.docx

Hi Darren!

Please see the attached Cabinet and Outreach Reports from VBA. Thank you for your patience! We have the FGIB update.

Thanks!

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Subject: VA Weekly White House Cabinet Report

Good afternoon,

As a reminder, please submit your White House Weekly Cabinet Report entries no later than **3pm Monday, August 5**. The inclusive dates for this report are **August 7 – September 3**.

Please include weekly updates regarding MISSION Act implementation, Forever GI Bill, Blue Water Navy, burn pits, PREVENTS Initiative, EHRM, military spouse employment, events involving Members of Congress, upcoming travel, public appearances, and any other major items specific to your area.

Please let me know if you have any questions.

Thank you and have a great weekend!

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From: Bossie, Darren J.
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To: (b)(6)@yahoo.com
Subject: FW: [EXTERNAL] Fwd: West Wing Tours 8/9-8/11

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From: Bossie, Darren J. (b)(6)@va.gov>
Date: Saturday, Aug 10, 2019, 12:31 PM
To: (b)(6)@yahoo.com (b)(6)@yahoo.com>
Subject: FW: [EXTERNAL] Fwd: West Wing Tours 8/9-8/11

Good afternoon (b)(6)
Unfortunately, the White House has informed me that the Oval Office will not be open for viewing today. The West Wing tour will proceed as scheduled.
I apologize for the inconvenience.
Darren

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To: Bossie, Darren J. (b)(6)@va.gov>
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Fwd: West Wing Tours 8/9-8/11

Just wanted to put this on your radar for tomorrow.
Best,
(b)(6)

Sent from my iPhone

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> **Date:** August 9, 2019 at 5:26:45 PM EDT
> **To:** White House Management <(b)(6)@who.eop.gov>

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Subject: West Wing Tours 8/9-8/11

Good evening,

You are receiving this email because you are scheduled to lead a tour of the West Wing this weekend. This is a notification that the Oval Office will not be available to view this weekend. Questions may be directed to [redacted]eop.gov. Thank you for your patience and understanding.

Regards,
White House Management Office

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To: Bossie, Darren J.
Cc: McClelland, Teri, VBAVACO
Subject: RE: VA Weekly Cabinet Report
Attachments: Outreach Report as of 8-8-19 (Claims Clinics Identified).xlsx, VBA Cabinet Report.docx

Hi Darren!

Please see the attached Cabinet and Outreach Reports from VBA.

Thank you!

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Subject: VA Weekly Cabinet Report

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Good afternoon,

As a reminder, please submit your White House Weekly Cabinet Report entries no later than **3pm Monday, August 12**. The inclusive dates for this report are **August 14 – September 10**.

Please include weekly updates regarding MISSION Act, Forever GI Bill, Blue Water Navy, burn pits, PREVENTS Initiative, EHRM, military spouse employment, events involving Members of Congress, upcoming travel, public appearances, and any other major items specific to your area.

Please let me know if you have any questions.

Thank you,

Darren

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To: Bossie, Darren J.
Cc: McClelland, Teri, VBAVACO
Subject: RE: VA Weekly Cabinet Report
Attachments: Outreach Report as of 8-15-19 (Claims Clinics Identified).xlsx, VBA Cabinet Report.docx

Hi Darren!

Please see VBA's Cabinet and Outreach Reports.

Thank you!

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Subject: VA Weekly Cabinet Report

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Good morning!

As a reminder, please submit your White House Weekly Cabinet Report entries no later than **3pm Monday, August 19**. The inclusive dates for this report are **August 21 – September 17**.

Please include weekly updates regarding MISSION Act, Forever GI Bill, Blue Water Navy, burn pits, PREVENTS Initiative, EHRM, military spouse employment, events involving Members of Congress, upcoming travel, public appearances, and any other major items specific to your area.

Please let me know if you have any questions.

Thank you and have a great weekend!

Darren

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To: Bossie, Darren J.
Cc: McClelland, Teri, VBAVACO
Subject: RE: VA Weekly Cabinet Report
Attachments: Outreach Report as of 8-22-19 (Claims Clinics Identified).xlsx, VBA Cabinet Report.docx

Good Afternoon Darren!

Please see the attached Cabinet and Outreach Reports from VBA.

Thank you!

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Subject: VA Weekly Cabinet Report

Good afternoon,

As a reminder, please submit your White House Weekly Cabinet Report entries no later than **3pm Monday, August 26**. The inclusive dates for this report are **August 28 – September 24**.

Please include weekly updates regarding MISSION Act, Forever GI Bill, Blue Water Navy, burn pits/toxic exposure, PREVENTS Task Force, EHRM, events involving Members of Congress, upcoming travel, public appearances, and any other major items specific to your area.

Please let me know if you have any questions.

Thank you and have a great weekend!

Darren

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From: Bossie, Darren J.
Sent: Thu, 29 Aug 2019 18:57:41 +0000
To: (b)(6)@usna.edu
Subject: FW: West Wing Tour Request
Attachments: West Wing Tour Guidelines and Maps.pdf, West Wing and EEOB Historical Guides.pdf

Good afternoon Midshipmen (b)(6)

Thank you for your interest in touring the West Wing of the White House. Please submit your background information to the United States Secret Service as soon as possible. The link is highlighted below. The tour will be on Saturday, September 28th at 245pm. The tour group will include myself, as well as 4 other Midshipmen from the United States Naval Academy.

Attached, please find material provided by the White House related to your upcoming tour. After reviewing the attached information, please let me know if you have any questions or concerns.

Thank you for your service to this country! Enjoy the tour!

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To: Bossie, Darren J. (b)(6)@va.gov>
Subject: [EXTERNAL] FW: West Wing Tour Request

West wing tour for the midshipmen

From: White House Management Office <(b)(6)@eop.gov>
Sent: Thursday, August 29, 2019 10:44 AM
To: (b)(6) EOP/WHO <(b)(6)@who.eop.gov>
Subject: West Wing Tour Request

Hello,

(b)(6) is scheduled to guide the following tour on Saturday, September 28, 2019 at 02:45 PM for 6 guests.

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Please share the attached West Wing Tour Guidelines with your guest(s). As a reminder, all guests should wear clothing appropriate to the nature of the West Wing. While photography is allowed outside the West Wing and inside the Press Briefing Room, photography is strictly prohibited inside the West Wing and in the Rose Garden.

Staff are responsible for submitting their guests' WAVES. Guests must submit their WAVES information at this link: RSVP Link. To manage your RSVPs please visit the Appointment Center.

Tour guests are authorized to enter the EEOB and West Wing only. West Wing tour guests are not allowed on the White House tour route. White House tours must be booked separately on the White House Staff Portal. Failure to comply with these guidelines may result in the revocation of West Wing tour privileges.

If you need to cancel your tour, change the tour guide, or reduce the number of scheduled guests, please click here. Failure to cancel a tour may result in reduced tour privileges.

Thank you,

White House Management Office

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WEST WING TOUR GUIDELINES

IDENTIFICATION

All guests 18 years of age or older will be required to present a valid, government-issued photo identification (detailed below). All foreign nationals must present their passport, regardless of age. All other forms of foreign identification will not be accepted.

- Valid government-issued United States identification card (e.g. drivers license, military ID).
- Valid United States or other official government-issued passports.

All information submitted (e.g. name, date of birth, city, etc.) must exactly match the government-issued photo ID presented when arriving at the White House. No other forms of identification will be accepted; photocopies, expired IDs, or other transmissions of these documents are NOT valid.

PROHIBITED ITEMS

The following items are prohibited:

- Any pointed objects, including pocket knives.
- Food or beverages, tobacco products, and personal grooming items (i.e. makeup, lotion, etc.).
- Aerosol containers.
- Guns, ammunition, fireworks, electric stun guns, mace, martial arts weapons/devices, and knives of any size.

PERMITTED ITEMS

Umbrellas, wallet, cell phones, and car keys are permitted. However, guests will not be allowed to use cell phones inside the White House.

All items needed for medical purposes will be permitted on the tour (e.g. wheelchairs, electric scooters, glucose tablets, EpiPens, etc.).

PARKING AND TRANSPORTATION

Limited street parking is available on New York Avenue and use of public transportation is strongly encouraged. The closest metro stops to the entrance are Farragut North and Farragut West.

OTHER INFORMATION

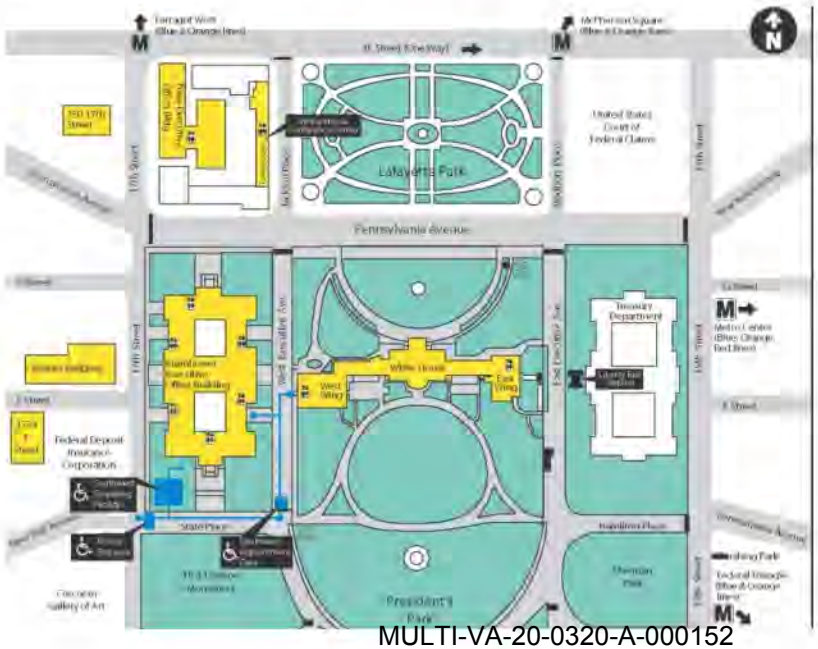
Please consider the following during your preparations:

- Guests, including children, should wear clothing appropriate for the nature of the West Wing – business or business casual. **Jeans and shorts are not allowed**.
- Guests will be standing outside when waiting in line.
- Photography is permitted when outside of the West Wing (except the Rose Garden) or in the Press Briefing Room. Photography is prohibited while inside of the West Wing.
- If needed, guests that require use of a wheelchair will be provided with one at the entrance.
- Tour guides must stay with their guests for the entire duration of the tour.

WEST WING TOUR GUEST ENTRANCE

The guest entrance is located at the corner of 17th and State Place NW

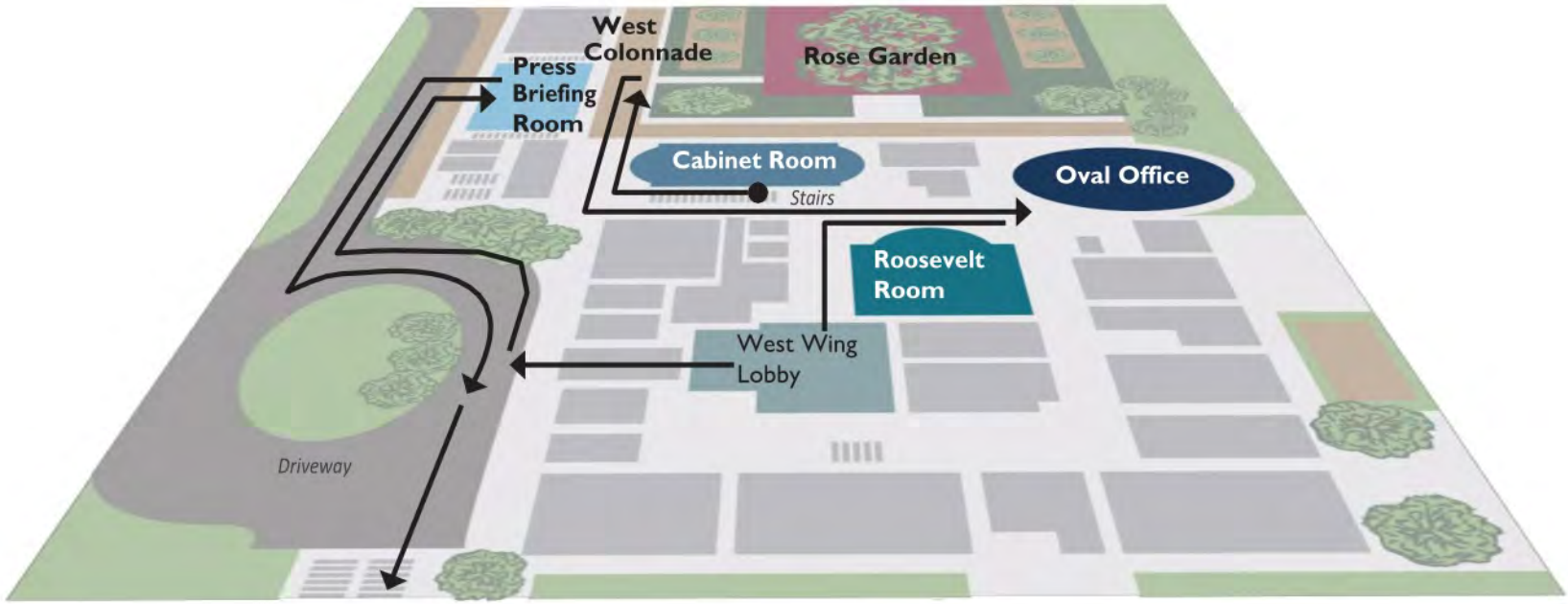
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WEST WING TOUR

1ST FLOOR



GROUND



West Executive Ave

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WEST WING TOUR ROOMS



NAVY MESS

Since 1880, the Navy has assigned their best Culinary Specialists to prepare the finest foods and to provide outstanding service for the President throughout the world.



OVAL OFFICE

The Oval Office was moved from its original location in the center of the southern façade to its current location in the southeast corner. Highlights include the Presidential coat of arms in the ceiling and the Resolute Desk. President Trump enjoys the use of President Reagan's Oval Office rug.



WEST WING LOBBY

The West Wing Lobby serves as a greeting and waiting space for distinguished guests and the press. Today, the Lobby is much smaller than it was during the 1930s, when reporters awaited updates from the President. The lobby was captured best by artist Norman Rockwell in his illustrations entitled, "So You Want to See the President." These illustrations still hang today in one of the West Wing corridors. The Administration of President Trump refurbished and improved the elegance of the West Wing Lobby.



CABINET ROOM

The large oval conference table that dominates the Cabinet Room was purchased by President Richard M. Nixon for this room in 1970. In 2004, the room was refurbished for the first time in 22 years under the direction of Mrs. Laura Bush. President Trump expanded the length of the Cabinet Room table to accommodate the growing Cabinet.



ROOSEVELT ROOM

It was first called the "Fish Room" because of the aquariums and fishing mementos displayed by President Franklin Roosevelt. The room was renamed by President Nixon to honor the contributions of both Roosevelts to the construction of the West Wing.



PRESS BRIEFING ROOM

The current Press Briefing Room was a swimming pool before President Richard Nixon ordered its conversion into a press room. The pool is still beneath the floor of the Press Briefing Room today.

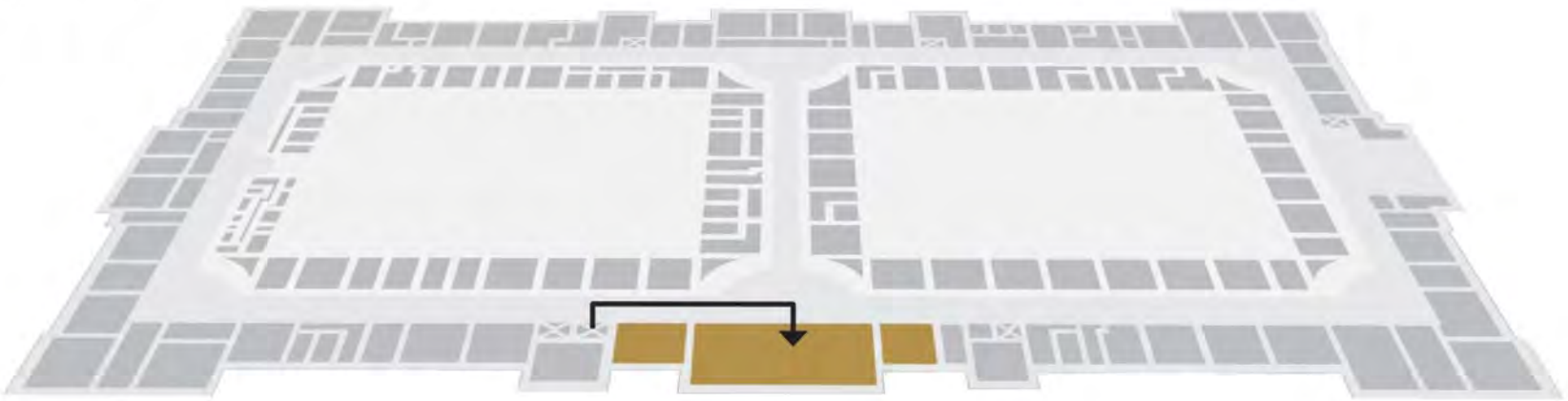
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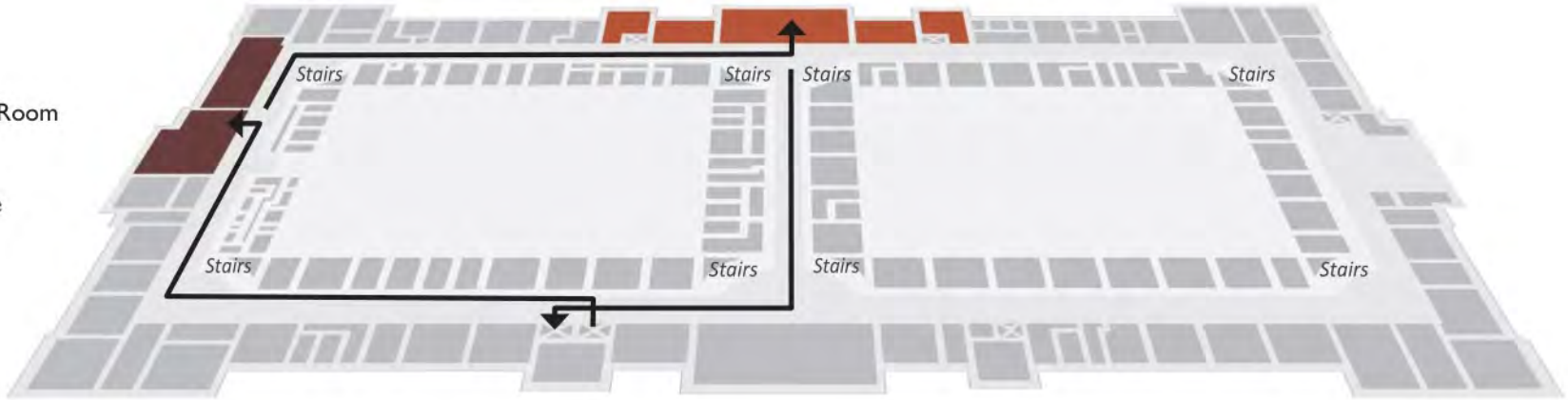
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- Indian Treaty Room 474



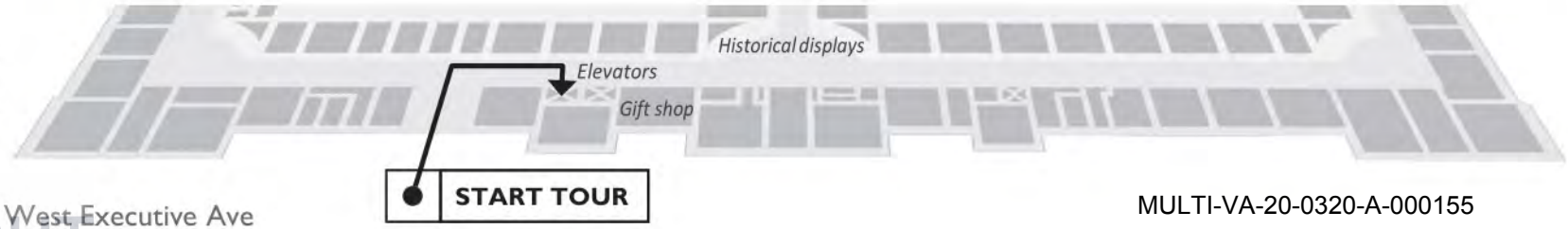
2ND FLOOR

- Cordell Hull Room & Diplomatic Reception Room 208 & 212
- Secretary of War Suite 231 & 232



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- *Turn right to take elevator to 2nd floor.*



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208 & 212

231 & 232

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THE CORDELL HULL ROOM & THE DIPLOMATIC RECEPTION ROOM

When the south wing of the State Department first opened in 1875, it had three spectacular rooms designed to be showplaces for the department. One of these was the office of the Secretary of State with three windows opening onto the south portico and a view of the Potomac River.

SECRETARY OF WAR SUITE

The Secretary of War Suite consists of ten rooms designed by Stephen Decatur Hatch, a prominent New York architect of the late 19th-century. Beginning in March of 1888, Secretary of War William Endicott occupied the suite. The suite would continue to be occupied by eighteen Secretaries of War until July 1939. Notable Secretaries of War include William Endicott, Elihu Root, William Howard Taft, and Henry Stimson.

INDIAN TREATY ROOM

The Indian Treaty Room is located on the east wing's fourth floor and was originally the Navy Department Library. It was designed by Richard Ezdorf and completed in 1880. The room does not resemble a library as we know it: the books were shelved in alcoves on two levels at each end adjacent to the main reading room. The Navy Department vacated the building between 1918 and 1921; the library was last to leave in 1923.

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A BRIEF HISTORY OF THE WEST WING

In 1902, President Theodore Roosevelt had the architectural firm of McKim, Mead & White design and construct a "temporary" office building for the president and his staff to the west of the original White House. The new building replaced the expansive greenhouses, built in the Jefferson administration, which had occupied the area above the western colonnade and the surrounding west lawn.

Prior to the creation of the West Wing, office space for the President and his staff was located on the eastern end of the Second Floor of the Executive Mansion, with the President's private living quarters on the western end. This arrangement had proved quite problematic over the years, with visitors to the President and reporters often wandering into the private rooms. Many presidents, particularly those with large families like Theodore Roosevelt, also found the eastern end of the Second Floor to be too small for their needs, making the removal of the office spaces from this floor highly desirable.

The new one story building was erected quickly, with the demolition of the former greenhouses beginning in July 1902 and staff moving in by mid October. Many found the new quarters to be too spartan, especially in comparison with the neighboring mansion. The President's office, then known as the President's Room, was rectangular rather than oval in shape and was located in the southeast corner of the building. The Cabinet Room was located to the north of the President's Room. Although much larger than the office space in the mansion, the executive staff quickly outgrew the new space, and the building was expanded to the south in 1909, approximately doubling its size. The first "Oval Office," located in the center of the building's southern side, was created at this time for President William Howard Taft. The Cabinet Room was moved to the southeast corner.

Again, desiring additional office space, a basement level for the West Wing was excavated in the spring of 1929. Just six months later, the building caught fire on Christmas Eve, destroying almost all of the interiors. The building was reconstructed soon thereafter almost exactly as it had been prior to the fire, with the notable addition of air conditioning.

The West Wing was enlarged to its existing size in 1934 under President Franklin Delano Roosevelt when a "penthouse" story was added and

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a larger basement was excavated for staff and support services. The Oval Office and its 1909 white marble mantel were moved to its present southeast corner location while the Cabinet Room was returned to the northeast corner of the building. Remodeling during the Richard Nixon administration in 1969 added a porte-cochere to the north façade and moved the press from the lobby to an area in the West Terrace where the former indoor swimming pool had been.

THE ROSE GARDEN

The Rose Garden, nearly a century old, retains the charm and flavor of early American gardens. Located adjacent to the West Wing, the Rose Garden serves as a presidential reception area for everyone from foreign dignitaries to astronauts. Ellen Axson Wilson, first wife of Woodrow Wilson (1913–1921), planted the first rose garden in the manner of 17th century Italian gardens. Prior to 1902, the area contained extensive stables, housing various horses and coaches.

Beginning with the establishment of the garden in the early twentieth century the Rose Garden has been used for a wide array of events. President Woodrow Wilson met there with the press for informal questions. President Hoover began a tradition of welcoming and being photographed with prominent citizens there. Calvin Coolidge used the garden for making public announcements about policy and staffing decisions. President John F.Kennedy welcomed Project Mercury astronauts in the garden. Many presidential news conferences take place in the garden, as well as occasional White House dinners and ceremonies. The marriage of President Richard Nixon's daughter Tricia to Edward F. Cox took place in the Rose Garden in 1971. In recent years, joint news conferences with the president and a visiting head of state have been held in the Rose Garden. Presidents frequently host American Olympic and major league athletes in the Rose Garden after winning in their respective sport.

No significant changes were made to the garden until 1961, when it was redesigned by Rachel Lambert Mellon for President John F. Kennedy. Now, one of the most famous gardens in the world, it follows the plan of the most 18th century American gardens; framed with osmanthus and boxwood, the planting beds that are changed seasonally form the long lines of the rectangle.

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Ever since then, roses have served as the primary flowering plants in the garden, including large numbers of "Queen Elizabeth" grandiflora roses, along with the tea roses "Pascale", "Pat Nixon", and "King's Ransom". In something of a decidedly odd tradition, each and every summer sees garden gnomes taken and placed throughout the Rose Garden on July 1st–the number of which representing the number of living presidents at that particular moment in time.

THE CABINET ROOM

In 1902, President Theodore Roosevelt had the architectural firm of McKim, Mead & White design and construct an office building to the west of the original White House at the end of the colonnade built in the Jefferson administration. From the Second Floor of the Executive Mansion he then removed his office and Cabinet Room to new quarters in this "West Wing". The Cabinet Room was placed in the northeast corner and the President's Room, which was then a rectangular rather than an oval office, in the southeast corner.

In 1909, President William Howard Taft expanded the wing to the south, constructing the first "Oval Office" at the center of this addition, moving the Cabinet Room to the southeast corner.

In 1934, President Franklin D. Roosevelt moved the Oval Office to its present southeast corner location and returned the Cabinet Room to the northeast corner in a further-expanded West Wing. In each location, the Cabinet Room retained its original 1902 mantel. Architectural features of the new room included arched windows on the east wall and drapery swag panels on the north and south walls, a motif derived from classical antiquity that was used extensively on American Federal style furniture in the late 18th and early 19th centuries.

The large oval conference table that dominates the Cabinet Room was purchased by President Richard M. Nixon for this room in 1970 and later donated to the White House Office. It was made by the Kittinger Co. in Buffalo, New York. The leather armchairs that surround the table are derived from Queen Anne armchairs in the Council Chamber at Colonial Williamsburg. Cabinet members are assigned their own chairs, as designated on the plaques on the back of the chairs, and have the option of purchasing their chairs when they leave office. The taller chair at the east side of the table is occupied by the President.

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In 2004, the room was refurbished for the first time in 22 years under the direction of Mrs. Laura Bush. The wool rug by Edward Fields, Inc. of New York has bowed ends to reflect the curvature in the north and south walls, a red field spangled with gold stars, and a border composed of olive branches, the symbol of peace that appears in the Presidential Seal.

Six gold eagle-form sconces, created by Cox, Nostrand & Garrison, Inc., of Brooklyn, N.Y., for the room in 1930 when it was rebuilt after the 1929 fire, were re-installed; they were likely removed during the Kennedy refurbishing which added fluorescent lighting. The two bell-shaped dish lights contemporary with these patriotic Art Deco sconces did not survive the Kennedy administration changes, but three larger reproductions were commissioned from Gibson & Gibson Antique Lighting, Chula Vista, California.

WHITE HOUSE COLLECTION OBJECTS:

The Declaration of Independence of the United States of American, July 4, 1776
by Charles-Edouard Armand-Dumaresq
Oil on canvas, c. 1873. Over the fireplace mantel is depiction of the Second Continental Congress adopting the Declaration of Independence on July 4, 1776. Although inspired by John Trumbull's famous painting of that historical scene, it is not a copy of it.

George Washington **by Charles Willson Peale**
Oil on canvas, 1776. This is believed to be the artist's only replica of his 1776 portrait of Washington in dress uniform painted for John Hancock (now in the Brooklyn Museum of Art). The city of Boston can be seen in the distance, the siege and liberation of which, 1775-76, is commemorated as Washington's first great success.

President Harry S. Truman **by Frank O. Salisbury**
Oil on canvas, 1946. Frank O. Salisbury was a popular British artist who specialized in portraits and scenes of historical events. In addition to likenesses of British royalty, he also painted government leaders including Prime Minister Winston Churchill and Presidents Woodrow Wilson, Calvin Coolidge, Herbert Hoover, and Franklin D. Roosevelt. President Truman sat for Salisbury on several occasions in the fall of 1946, usually in a makeshift studio set up in the office of Press Secretary Charles Ross. The President, portrayed in the Oval Office, holds

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in his right hand a joint statement on the control and use of atomic energy, which was signed by Truman, British Prime Minister Clement Attlee, and Canadian Prime Minister Mackenzie King on November 15, 1945. In the background, at left, is a globe from his office, a gift from then General Dwight D. Eisenhower. On a tour of the Truman Library museum for museum docents on November 21, 1957, Truman said of his portrait: "I call that my stuffed shirt painting." Salisbury is represented in the White House collection by a 1947 replica of his 1934 portrait of President Franklin D. Roosevelt. [Courtesy the Harry S. Truman Library]. On loan from the Harry S. Truman Library, 2009.

THE OVAL OFFICE

When the West Wing was first constructed in 1902, the President's office, located in the southeast corner of the building, was rectangular. The first oval-shaped executive office, inspired by the oval rooms within the Executive Residence, was created in 1909 for President William Howard Taft as part of a building expansion. When the West Wing was renovated again in 1934, the Oval Office was moved from its original location in the center of the southern façade to its current location in the southeast corner.

Presidential Coat of Arms in Ceiling
The Presidential coat of arms in plaster relief in the ceiling was first added to the room during the 1934 renovation. In 1965, it was modified to add two state stars and to change the direction of the eagle's head towards its own right (towards the talon holding the olive branch), as dictated by President Truman's 1945 redefinition of the Presidential Seal.

"Resolute" Desk
This double pedestal desk was made from the oak timbers of the British ship H.M.S. Resolute as a gift to President Rutherford B. Hayes from Queen Victoria in 1880. It has been used by every president since Hayes, excepting Presidents Johnson, Nixon, and Ford, 1964-1977. President John F. Kennedy was the first president to use this desk in the Oval Office; prior to that time, it was used in the Executive Residence.

The desk was used in the President's Office on the Second Floor of the Residence from 1880 until 1902, at which time the office was moved to the newly constructed West Wing. This desk remained, however, on

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the Second Floor of the Residence in the President's Study. President Franklin D. Roosevelt requested that the rear kneehole be fitted with a panel carved with the presidential coat of arms, but he did not live to see it installed in 1945.

After the Truman Renovation of the White House, 1948-1952, the desk was placed in the Broadcast Room on the Ground Floor where it was used by President Dwight D. Eisenhower during radio and television broadcasts. It was first used in the Oval Office in 1961 at the request of President John F. Kennedy. After President Lyndon B. Johnson selected another desk for his office, it was lent to a Kennedy Library traveling exhibition, 1964-1965, and then to the Smithsonian Institution for exhibition, 1966-1977.

In January 1977, President Jimmy Carter requested that this historic desk be returned to the White House for use again in the Oval Office. In 1981, President Ronald W. Reagan also chose to use this desk in the Oval Office. President George Bush used it in the Oval Office for five months in 1989 before having it moved to his Residence Office in exchange for a partner's desk which he had used in his West Wing office as Vice President.

This historic desk, returned to the Oval Office for President Bill Clinton, was also used by Presidents George W. Bush and Barack Obama, and has been retained by President Donald Trump.

A brass plaque affixed to the desk records the history of its creation: H.M.S. "Resolute," forming part of the expedition sent in search of Sir John Franklin in 1852, was abandoned in Latitude 74 41' N. Longitude 101 22' W. on 15th May 1854. She was discovered and extricated in September 1855, in Latitude 67 N. by Captain Buddington of the United States Whaler "George Henry." The ship was purchased,fitted out and sent to England, as a gift to Her Majesty Queen Victoria by the President and People of the United States, as a token of goodwill & friendship. This table was made from her timbers when she was broken up, and is presented by the Queen ofGreat Britain & Ireland, to the President of the United States, as a memorial of the courtesy and loving kindness which dictated the offer of the gift of the "Resolute."

Rug

The current rug was custom-made for the Oval Office by KMM Corporation in Lewiston, Maine for President Ronald Reagan in 1988. President Donald Trump requested that this rug be returned when he

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assumed office. Every president since Reagan has commissioned a new rug for the Oval Office, although prior to this time, rugs were used for multiple administrations. Oval Office rugs remain part of the White House collection and do not leave with the President who selected them. The rug features the Presidential coat of arms on a golden beige and ivory field of rays derived from early-19th-century French rugs.

Architectural features of the present Oval Office, as designed by Eric Gugler in 1934, include: the Presidential coat of arms in plaster relief in the ceiling (as modified in 1965 to add two state stars and to reflect President Truman's 1945 redefinition of the seal); the doors to the veranda and study, each with a pediment above a horizontal fasces, the classical symbol of the governing authority; and the window and shelf niches with shell canopies modeled after those in the Yellow Oval Room in the Residence.

The current floor of walnut and white oak was installed in August 2005, replacing an identical floor laid in 1982. The 1982 floor was the first time hardwood had been used in the Oval Office: the original (1934) flooring in this room was made of cork, which was covered with wood-grain vinyl in 1969 during the Nixon administration.

WHITE HOUSE COLLECTION OBJECTS:

***Alexander Hamilton* by John Trumbull**
Oil on canvas, c. 1805. Trumbull was best known for portraits of America's founding fathers and scenes of the American Revolution. Alexander Hamilton was the first Secretary of the Treasury during George Washington's presidency. This is one of eight replicas made by the artist from an original likeness painted in 1804 for the City Hall of New York.

***Martin Luther King, Jr.* by Charles Alston**
Bronze, 1970. Dr. King visited the White House on several occasions and was on hand to see President Lyndon Johnson sign the Civil Rights Act of 1964 in the East Room. An influential teacher, Charles Alston was a founding member of the Harlem Arts Workshop in 1934.

***George Washington* by Rembrandt Peale**
Oil on panel, c. 1823. The painting hanging above the mantel is believed to be based on an 1823 portrait, also by Rembrandt Peale, on display in the Old Senate Chamber of the United States Capitol. From it, Peale

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painted 79 similar "porthole" portraits, some showing Washington in civilian dress and others showing him in uniform.

***Thomas Jefferson* by George P.A. Healy**
Oil on canvas, c. 1842-1860. This likeness, based on a c. 1810 life portrait by Gilbert Stuart, is part of series of presidential portraits commissioned in 1842 by French King Louis Philippe for the gallery at Versailles. The series was never delivered and was eventually acquired for the Corcoran Gallery of Art.

On loan from the National Gallery of Art, formerly the Corcoran Gallery of Art Collection, 1981.

***Winston Churchill* by Sir Jacob Epstein**
Bronze, 1946. In the 1940s, the British Ministry of Information commissioned six busts and statues of wartime leaders, the most notable being the 1946 bust of Winston Churchill. Churchill, as Prime Minister of Great Britain, stayed in the White House several times during World War II.

On loan from the United Kingdom Government Art Collection, 2017.

***Thomas Jefferson* by Rembrandt Peale**
Oil on canvas, 1800. This life portrait of Jefferson as Vice President was painted in Philadelphia less than a year before he assumed the presidency. It became the prototype for many American and European engravings and the most popular 19th century image of Jefferson.

***Abraham Lincoln* by Augustus Saint-Gaudens**
Bronze, c. 1923. In 1884, the sculptor was chosen to create a bronze statue of Lincoln for Chicago's Lincoln Park. The standing figure, with head slightly bent down, was considered one of the most successful and expressive likenesses, and was later recast on a smaller scale. Around 1923, several bust-size versions were made, of which this is example.

***Andrew Jackson* by Clark Mills**
White metal, 1855. On January 8, 1853, the 38th anniversary of the British defeat at New Orleans, an important sculpture of Major General Andrew Jackson was unveiled in the center of Lafayette Park with President Franklin Pierce in attendance. The statue was the first life-size bronze equestrian statue cast in the United States. This miniature version was purchased by the government in 1859 for the White House.

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***Andrew Jackson* by Ralph E.W. Earl**
Oil on canvas, c. 1835. The artist was related by marriage to Andrew Jackson's wife, Rachel. Earl painted many portraits of President Jackson as well as other members of the family. Earl's portrait of Emily Donelson, who served as official hostess during the Jackson Administration, hangs in the Queens' Bedroom. Earl spent a great deal of time at the Jackson White House and used what is now the Queens' Bedroom, as a bedroom and studio. He is buried at the Hermitage, Jackson's home outside of Nashville, Tennessee.

***The Bronco Buster* by Frederic Remington**
Bronze c. 1903. This popular western bronze has been on view in the Oval Office since it was given to the White House collection in 1973. The original design, copyrighted in 1895, was Remington's first work of sculpture.

***Theodore Roosevelt* by James Earle Fraser**
Bronze, c. 1910. Theodore Roosevelt is portrayed in the neckerchief and uniform jacket worn when he was a Rough Rider (1st Cavalry Volunteers) in the Spanish-American War. The sculptor is best known for poignant Indian figure, The End of the Trail, and for his design of the buffalo nickel.

***Abraham Lincoln* by George Henry Story**
Oil on canvas, c. 1915. This likeness is based on sketches Story made of President Lincoln in his White House office (now the Lincoln Bedroom) in June 1861.

THE ROOSEVELT ROOM

When the West Wing was constructed in 1902, the site of this room was the southeast corner of the building occupied by the President's office and anteroom. When the Wing was expanded to the south in 1909, the space became parts of two waiting rooms. When the Wing was expanded to the east in 1934, it assumed its present function as a centrally located conference room across the corridor from the repositioned Oval Office. It retained the painted wooden mantel which had been in the 1902 President's Room and was equipped with a skylight lit from a shaft passing through the Wing's new second floor.

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As a conference room, it was first called the "Fish Room" because of the aquariums and fishing mementos displayed by President Franklin D. Roosevelt. The tradition of this name was revived in the early 1960s when President John F. Kennedy hung a large mounted sailfish which he had caught in Acapulco.

The room was renamed the "Roosevelt Room" by President Richard Nixon in 1969 to honor the contributions of Theodore Roosevelt in erecting the West Wing and of Franklin D. Roosevelt in enlarging the Wing to its present size.

WHITE HOUSE COLLECTION OBJECTS:

***Theodore Roosevelt* by James Earle Fraser**
Bronze-patinated metal plaque, c. 1920. The sculptor best known for his Indian figure, The End of the Trail, and his design of the buffalo nickel. It includes a quotation attributed to Roosevelt–"Aggressive fighting for the right is the noblest sport the world affords." The plaque was acquired by the General Services Administration in 1969.

***Franklin D. Roosevelt* by John DeStefano**
Bronze, c. 1933. The profile bust portrait is surmounted by a spread-winged eagle and flanked by fasces, the Roman symbol of authority. The title panel includes a quotation from the Roman statesman Seneca–"I shall hold my rudder true."

On loan from the Franklin D. Roosevelt Library, 1969.

***Crossing the River Platte* by Worthington Whittredge**
Oil on canvas, c. 1871. Whittredge accompanied the 1865-66 General John Pope expedition, traveling across the Plains along the Platte River and Rocky Mountains from Kansas to New Mexico. Later in his New York studio, he painted this scene from sketches made during his travels showing Indians fording the river in what is now eastern Colorado.

***Franklin D. Roosevelt* by Alfred Jonniaux**
Oil on canvas, 1958. This posthumous likeness of Franklin Roosevelt was commissioned by his close friend and law partner, Basil "Doc" O'Connor, who helped Roosevelt establish the Georgia Warm Springs Foundation and the National Foundation for Infantile Paralysis (now called the March of Dimes Foundation). It has been on loan from the Franklin D. Roosevelt Library since 1978.

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***Eleanor Roosevelt* by Alva Museum Reproductions, after Victor Lamkay**
Composite stone, bronze patina, wood base, c. 1993. The original work was sculpted in 1962 and 1963. Sculptor Victor Lamkay had hoped to get permission for sittings with Mrs. Roosevelt, but she died before he could do so. From photographs, the artist was able to complete the bronze, now in the Franklin D. Roosevelt Library.

***Theodore Roosevelt* by Tade Styka**
Oil on canvas, 1909. Roosevelt is depicted in a tan uniform, possibly his Rough Rider outfit. This likeness is thought to have been painted from sittings in the artist's studio near Paris during Roosevelt's post-presidential tour of Europe, 1909.

***View of the City of Washington from the Virginia Shore* by William MacLeod**
Oil on canvas, 1856. The artist, who appears in the lower right foreground, painted this view of Washington from across the Potomac River near his native Alexandria, Virginia. Visible in the background are the unfinished Washington Monument, at the left; the U.S. Capitol with the earlier Bulfinch dome, at center; and the Washington Navy Yard, at the right.

***Our Vanishing Wildlife* by Alexander Pope**
Bronze, c. 1915-24. This sculpture of a bison battling three wolves was displayed by the artist at the Panama-Pacific Exposition in San Francisco in 1915 at which it was judged one of the best sculptures.

Nobel Peace Prize Medal
The medal was awarded to President Theodore Roosevelt in 1906 for his mediation of the Russo-Japanese War peace settlement. The first Nobel prize awarded to an American, it was a gift to the White House from the Theodore Roosevelt Association and presented to President Ronald Reagan in 1982 in the Roosevelt Room on the 125th anniversary of Theodore Roosevelt's birth.

Medal of Honor
Awarded posthumously to Theodore Roosevelt, January 16, 2001 to honor his heroism in the Spanish-American War, 1898. The medal was presented to President George W. Bush for the White House collection by Roosevelt family in ceremony held in the Roosevelt Room, September 16, 2002.

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Mantel Clock made by the Chelsea Clock Co., Boston Brass and pine, mid-20th century.
The circular brass ship's clock is set in a wooden frame.

THE WEST WING RECEPTION ROOM

When the West Wing was erected in 1902, a rectangular lobby was placed at the center of the north side of the building, opening directly to the driveway beneath a small porch. When the wing was expanded in 1909, it remained unchanged, while two adjacent rooms were converted into additional waiting rooms. In 1929, the Congressional Waiting Room became an office, while the General Waiting Room was absorbed into an enlarged T-shaped Lobby.

In 1934, when the President's Oval Office and the Cabinet Room were moved into the eastern extension of the West Wing, a new lobby was created at the center of the building with access through a narrow foyer leading to the north doorway. The somewhat informal character of this new lobby, which was a waiting room for both distinguished visitors and the press alike, was captured by artist Norman Rockwell in a four-panel illustration entitled, So You Want to See the President, drawn for the November 13, 1943 issue of the Saturday Evening Post.

With the construction of new press facilities in the West Terrace in 1970, the lobby was renovated to provide a smaller, more intimate reception room. The southern half of the room was walled off, becoming two staff offices entered from the south corridor.

WHITE HOUSE COLLECTION OBJECTS:

***The First Naval Action in the War of 1812* by William John Huggins**
Oil on canvas, 1816. This large maritime painting depicts the naval division of Commodore John Rodgers pursuing the British frigate H.M.S. Belvidera, five days after the United States had declared war on Great Britain in 1812. It is probably based on a sketch made by James Stilwell, an officer on the Belvidera.

***Rutland Falls, Vermont* by Frederic E. Church**
Oil on canvas, 1848. Considered part of the second generation of the Hudson River School, Church was a major 19th-century American landscape painter best known for [illegible] in

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North and South America. His landscapes were somewhat idealized with every aspect of nature depicted in great detail. A special emphasis was placed on light and cloud effects, often with very dramatic results.

***Shinnecock Hills, Long Island* by William Merritt Chase**
Oil on panel, 1900. Chase taught a successful summer art school at Shinnecock on the eastern end of Long Island, 1891-1902. Considered amongst his finest works are the paintings of the coastal landscape around his house and studio (designed by Stanford White), of which this is one.

***James Monroe* by Adrian Lamb, after Gilbert Stuart**
Oil on canvas, 1975. This likeness is a copy of a c. 1818-20 Gilbert Stuart portrait, now in the collection of the Metropolitan Museum of Art in New York.

***Emigrant Scene* attributed to William Henry Powell**
Oil on canvas, c. 1837. Powell found success as a portraitist and later as a painter of historical subjects. In 1847, he was selected to create the last painting for the U.S. Capitol Rotunda, replacing his former teacher, Henry Inman, who had died suddenly in 1846. Perhaps Powell's best known painting, this mammoth work entitled, Discovery of the Mississippi by De Soto, portrayed the Spanish explorer's arrival on May 8, 1541.

***Donner Lake from the Summit* by Edwin Deakin**
Oil on canvas, 1876. This panoramic view features Donner Lake, located in northeast California on the eastern edge of the Sierra Nevada mountain range. Deakin, an English-born artist, came to California in 1870 and established a studio in the San Francisco area, where he resided for the remainder of his life. He was best known for views of California's Spanish-era missions, Chinatown, and the aftermath of the 1906 earthquake.

***Vernal Falls, Yosemite* by Thomas Hill**
***Nevada Falls, Yosemite* by Thomas Hill,**
Oil on canvas, 1889. This pair of scenic paintings was created by Thomas Hill, an artist best known for his views of Yosemite Valley. Hill moved permanently to California in 1871, and in the 1880s, established a studio in Yosemite that today serves as the National Park Service visitor center.

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***Cannonading on the Potomac, October, 1861* by Alfred Wordsworth Thompson**
Oil on canvas, c. 1868-70. Thompson painted this American Civil War scene from sketches made of the Battle of Ball's Bluff, on the Potomac River near Leesburg, Virginia, on October 21, 1861. On the reverse side of the canvas is an inscription: "...Col. E[dward]. D. Baker, Commanding, was killed in this action." A U.S. Senator from Oregon, Baker was a longtime friend of Abraham Lincoln; the president's second son was his namesake. Among those wounded in this battle, a tactical blunder for the routed Federal troops, was Oliver Wendell Holmes, Jr., later a justice of the U.S. Supreme Court.

Bookcase
Mahogany, c. 1770, English. The bookcase holds bound copies of presidential documents.

THE PRESS BRIEFING ROOM

The current Press Room did not exist until President Richard Nixon converted the indoor swimming pool to the present day space. The indoor swimming pool, which still exists below the Press Room floor, was installed during President Franklin D. Roosevelt's administration in 1933 placed between the White House and the West Wing.

President Nixon started the conversion of the space into a lounge and press offices that could also serve as a press briefing room starting in 1969. Since 1970, the White House press corps have gathered in this space to listen to briefings and reports presented by the press secretary. The space was last updated in 2005 by President George W. Bush.

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The Eisenhower Executive Office Building (EEOB) is located next to the West Wing, and houses a majority of offices for White House staff. Originally built for the State, War, and Navy Departments between 1871 and 1888, the EEOB is an impressive building that commands a unique position in both our national history and architectural heritage.

Designed by Supervising Architect of the Treasury Alfred Mullett, the granite, slate, and cast iron exterior makes the EEOB one of America's best examples of the French Second Empire style of architecture. Construction took 17 years as the building slowly rose wing by wing. The EEOB was finished in 1888 and was the largest office building in Washington with nearly 2 miles of black and white tiled corridors.

The Navy Department left in 1918 (except for the Secretary who stayed until 1921), followed by the War Department in 1938, and finally by the State Department in 1947. The White House began to move some of its offices across West Executive Avenue in 1939, and in 1949 the building was turned over to the Executive Office of the President and renamed the Executive Office Building. The building was designated a National Historic Landmark in 1969. The building continues to house various agencies that comprise the Executive Office of the President, such as the White House Office, the Office of the Vice President, the Office of Management and Budget, and the National Security Council.



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The Vice President's Ceremonial Office



The current Vice President's Ceremonial Office was originally used as the Secretary of Navy's office from 1879 to 1923. From 1923 to 1947, General John Pershing occupied the office initially as the Army Chief of Staff then as the Chairman of the Battle and Monuments Commission, becoming the longest single occupant of this room (24 years). Additionally, President Hoover used the office for three months following a Christmas Eve fire in the West Wing in 1929.

Since 1960 it has been used as the Vice President's Ceremonial Office with the exception of Vice President Hubert Humphrey, because Lyndon Johnson did not give up the office when he became President after the Kennedy assassination.

The current desk is part of the White House collection, and was commissioned to be built for Theodore Roosevelt's use in the Oval Office. Several important figures have used the desk including Presidents Taft, Wilson, Harding, Coolidge, and for a few months, Hoover. The desk was placed in storage early on during Herbert Hoover's Presidency where it remained until 1945 when President Truman then used it. Vice President Johnson and all subsequent Vice Presidents (except Hubert Humphrey) have used the desk. Since the 1940s, various users have signed the inside of the top drawer.



The top drawer has been signed by Vice Presidents Cheney, Gore, Quayle, Mondale, and Rockefeller; and Presidents Truman and Eisenhower.





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Secretary of War Suite



The Secretary of War Suite consists of ten rooms designed by Stephen Decatur Hatch, a prominent New York architect of the late 19th-century. Beginning in March of 1888, Secretary of War William Endicott occupied the suite. The suite would continue on to be occupied by 18 Secretaries of War until July 1939. Notable Secretaries of War included William Endicott, Elihu Root, William Howard Taft, and Henry Stimson.



History made in these rooms included the development, review, and acceptance of all plans of defense for our nation and our armed forces in times of conflict as well as in times of peace between 1888 and 1939. The War Department moved from the building between 1938–39. The Bureau of the Budget, newly established by Franklin Roosevelt's administration, immediately took possession of these rooms.

Another event of interest occurred in 1908, while in his office in what is now EEOB 230B, Secretary of War Taft received word by telephone that the Republican convention in Chicago had nominated him for the presidency.

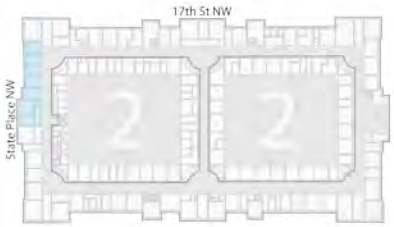




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The Cordell Hull Room & the Diplomatic Reception Room



When the south wing of the State Department first opened in 1875, it had three spectacular rooms designed to be showplaces for the department. One of these was the office of the Secretary of State located at the center of the second floor with three windows opening onto the south portico and a view of the Potomac River. The other two rooms included the State Department Library (now the EOP Library) and the Diplomatic Reception Room (room 212, pictured upper right).

A total of 24 men served 25 terms as Secretary of State (James G. Blaine served as Secretary of State for two terms—the first term March 1881 to December 1881, and the second term March 1889 to June 1892) in the EEOB. Hamilton Fish was the first Secretary of State to serve in this office, from July 1875 to March 1877. He and his staff moved into the building before the wing was fully completed in December 1875.

Many important events have occurred in these rooms. In 1898, Secretary of State John Hay handed the Spanish ambassador his credentials and passport, thus signifying our declaration of war against Spain. During his term, Hay supported an American imperialist solution to the Spanish-American War, helped formulate the "Open Door" policy in China, arranged treaties to facilitate the building of the Panama Canal, and worked with President Roosevelt in settling the Russo-Japanese War.

On Sunday morning, December 7, 1941, Secretary of State Cordell Hull was in his office (pictured lower right) meeting with his aides and discussing the volatile situation in the Far East. The meeting was interrupted when intercepted messages between Japanese Foreign Minister Togo and Japanese Ambassadors to the US were delivered to Secretary Hull's office. After receiving a phone call from President Roosevelt informing him of a Japanese attack on Pearl Harbor, Secretary Hull met with the Japanese Ambassador. The next day, Congress declared war on Japan. Later, in 1942, the United Nations Declaration was drafted and signed in this room.

George Catlett Marshall was the last Secretary of State to serve in this office. Marshall oversaw the move of the Department of State staff from the EEOB to their new offices in Foggy Bottom, in the old War Department building, which was mostly complete by May 1947.

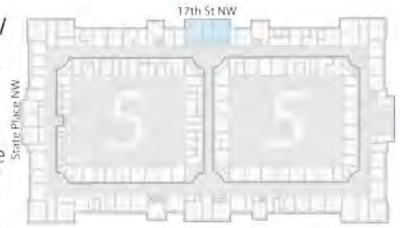




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The War Library / The Law Library



Originally designated as the War Department Library, the room was designed by Austrian-born Richard Ezdorf, a draftsman for the Supervising Architect of the Treasury, and completed in 1887. Ezdorf selected an eclectic mix of the French Renaissance, Classical, and Gothic Revival styles. Mixing elements of these styles was very popular in the late 19th-century and became characteristic of the high Victorian style.

The War Department's library collection included books, charts, maps, and photographs. This includes photographs and their negatives taken by Mathew Brady during the Civil War, which were acquired by the War Department in 1875 for $25,000 when financial difficulties forced Brady to sell them. The U.S. Signal Corps became responsible for the library in 1894, and the War Department occupied the space until 1938 when they vacated the building.

Between 1938 and 1970, the library was used for storage. In 1970, the library was renovated for use as a conference room. The library is currently used to house the Law Library for the Executive Office of the President.



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Indian Treaty Room



The Indian Treaty Room is located on the east wing's fourth floor and was originally the Navy Department Library. It was designed by Richard Ezdorf and was completed in 1880. The room does not resemble a library as we know it; the books were shelved in alcoves on two levels at each end adjacent to the main reading room. The Navy Department vacated the building between 1918 and 1921, with the library last to leave in 1923.

The Indian Treaty Room was later used for presidential press conferences from 1950 until 1961. President Eisenhower held the first televised presidential press conference in this room on January 19, 1955. Phone booths were located just outside the door to accommodate the press needing to call in their stories for late breaking news.

The room's designation as the "Indian Treaty Room" is one of the building's most interesting mysteries. It is not known how the room inherited its name despite considerable research. Its first mention in the press was in 1954, and many recall the days between 1923 and 1942 when the State Department used the room as storage space, and perhaps someone thought that treaties with Native American tribes were stored in the room.





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East Rotunda

Located on the West Executive Avenue, center corridor side of the EEOB, the East Rotunda was designed for the Department of Navy by Richard Ezdorf, chief draftsman for the Supervising Architect of the Treasury; completed in 1879.



West Rotunda

Located on the 17th Street, center corridor side of the EEOB, the West Rotunda was designed for the Department of War by Richard Ezdorf, chief draftsman for the Supervising Architect of the Treasury; completed in 1888.



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Truman Bowling Alley

On April 19, 1947, President Harry Truman was presented with the gift of two bowling lanes in the basement of the Executive Offices (today's West Wing where the Situation Room is presently located). The lanes came with an automatic pinsetter, which had been successfully introduced the year before at the 1946 American Bowling Congress (ABC) Tournament by AMF. In 1953, President Truman gave the lanes to the employees of the White House and the bowling alley first opened. In 1955, the lanes were moved from the West Wing's basement to the EEOB's basement.

President Richard Nixon was the most avid of the presidential bowlers, spending as many as four hours at a time rolling games.







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From: Bossie, Darren J.
Sent: Thu, 29 Aug 2019 19:30:08 +0000
To: (b)(6); (b)(2) Sgt (b)(6); (b)(2)
Subject: RE: [EXTERNAL]
Attachments: smime.p7s

Good afternoon Sgt. (b)(6); (b)(2)

Thank you for providing me copies of your resume and cover letter. I look forward to reading your letters of recommendation.

At your earliest convenience, please send me a list of possible dates when you would be available to come to Washington DC for an in-person meeting. If possible, I would like to meet prior to you being deployed to California in October. Once you return after Thanksgiving , weather and holidays will become major obstacles.

I look forward to hearing back from you.

Thank you for your continued service to this country!

Darren Bossie
White House Liaison
Office of the Secretary
Department of Veterans Affairs
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(C) 202-400-

-----Original Message-----
From: (b)(6); Sgt Austin (b)(6); (b)(2) @usmc.mil>
Sent: Thursday, August 29, 2019 9:19 AM
To: Bossie, Darren J. <(b)(6) @va.gov>
Subject: RE: [EXTERNAL]

Good Morning Mr. Bossie,

I apologize for the late reply, I was sent strait to the field as soon as I returned back to work. Attached is my most recent resume and cover letter. Unfortunately I am still waiting to receive my letters of rec's from the gentlemen on the resume but I will be sure to include them next email or bring them to DC with me. I should be able to make a trip up during the week or on a Saturday. I will be traveling to California from mid-October till thanksgiving for work though. I look forward to hearing back from you and setting up a face to face. Thank you very much.

Very Respectfully,

Sgt (b)(6); (b)(2) USMC
2D MarDiv HQBN
Cell (740)-972-(b)(6)
Work Email - (b)(6); (b)(2) @usmc.mil Home Email - (b)(6); (b)(2) @gmail.com

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-----Original Message-----
From: Bossie, Darren J. [mailto:(b)(6) @va.gov]
Sent: Monday, August 12, 2019 11:26 AM
To: (b)(6); (b)(2) Sgt (b)(6); (b)(2) usmc.mil>
Subject: [Non-DoD Source] RE: [EXTERNAL]

Good morning Sgt. (b)(6); (b)(2)

Thank you for reaching out regarding a possible future position with the Department of Veterans Affairs. Please forward me a copy of your most recent resume, along with a brief cover letter outlining what areas you are interested in working. I would also like to sit down and talk face to face after I receive your resume and cover letter. Are you able to come back up to Washington DC during the week? If not, are you available to come up on a Saturday afternoon?

I look forward to reviewing your resume and discussing future opportunities with you.

Hopefully your mother had a great visit to Washington DC and a safe trip back to Columbus, OH.

Have a great day,

Darren Bossie
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-----Original Message-----
From: (b)(6); (b)(2) Sgt (b)(6); (b)(2) @usmc.mil>
Sent: Monday, August 12, 2019 10:19 AM
To: Bossie, Darren J. <(b)(6) @va.gov>
Subject: [EXTERNAL]

Good Morning Mr. Bossie,

My name is (b)(6); (b)(2) we met last Wednesday at the white house deli. I would like to inquire any possible opportunities you may have for me, my EAS date is early September 2020. I do realize that is a year out and a little early to start looking but I would like to keep in contact with you throughout the year incase something does become available that may be a good fit. Please let me know if there is anything I can provide i.e. a resume. Thank you very much for your time and support.

Very Respectfully,

Sgt (b)(6); (b)(2) USMC
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From: Bossie, Darren J.
Sent: Fri, 30 Aug 2019 13:48:33 +0000
To: (b)(6) usna.edu
Subject: FW: West Wing Tour Request
Attachments: West Wing Tour Guidelines and Maps.pdf, West Wing and EEOB Historical Guides.pdf

Good morning Midshipmen (b)(6)

Thank you for your interest in touring the West Wing of the White House. Please submit your background information to the United States Secret Service as soon as possible. The link is highlighted below. The tour will be on Saturday, September 28th at 245pm. The tour group will include myself, as well as 4 other Midshipmen from the United States Naval Academy.

Attached, please find material provided by the White House related to your upcoming tour. After reviewing the attached information, please let me know if you have any questions or concerns.

Thank you for your service to this country! Enjoy the tour!

Darren Bossie
White House Liaison
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Department of Veterans Affairs
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From: (b)(6) EOP/WHO (b)(6) who.eop.gov>
Sent: Thursday, August 29, 2019 10:46 AM
To: Bossie, Darren J. <(b)(6) va.gov>
Subject: [EXTERNAL] FW: West Wing Tour Request

West wing tour for the midshipmen

From: White House Management Office <(b)(6) eop.gov>
Sent: Thursday, August 29, 2019 10:44 AM
To: (b)(6) EOP/WHO <(b)(6) who.eop.gov>
Subject: West Wing Tour Request

Hello,

(b)(6) is scheduled to guide the following tour on Saturday, September 28, 2019 at 02:45 PM for 6 guests.

Please share the attached West Wing Tour Guidelines with your guest(s). As a reminder, all guests should wear clothing appropriate to the nature of the West Wing.

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While photography is allowed outside the West Wing and inside the Press Briefing Room, photography is strictly prohibited inside the West Wing and in the Rose Garden.

Staff are responsible for submitting their guests' WAVES. Guests must submit their WAVES information at this link: RSVP Link. To manage your RSVPs please visit the Appointment Center.

Tour guests are authorized to enter the EEOB and West Wing only. West Wing tour guests are not allowed on the White House tour route. White House tours must be booked separately on the White House Staff Portal. Failure to comply with these guidelines may result in the revocation of West Wing tour privileges.

If you need to cancel your tour, change the tour guide, or reduce the number of scheduled guests, please click here. Failure to cancel a tour may result in reduced tour privileges.

Thank you,

White House Management Office

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WEST WING TOUR GUIDELINES

IDENTIFICATION

All guests 18 years of age or older will be required to present a valid, government-issued photo identification (detailed below). All foreign nationals must present their passport, regardless of age. All other forms of foreign identification will not be accepted.

- Valid government-issued United States identification card (e.g. drivers license, military ID).
- Valid United States or other official government-issued passports.

All information submitted (e.g. name, date of birth, city, etc.) must exactly match the government-issued photo ID presented when arriving at the White House. No other forms of identification will be accepted; photocopies, expired IDs, or other transmissions of these documents are NOT valid.

PROHIBITED ITEMS

The following items are prohibited:

- Any pointed objects, including pocket knives.
- Food or beverages, tobacco products, and personal grooming items (i.e. makeup, lotion, etc.).
- Aerosol containers.
- Guns, ammunition, fireworks, electric stun guns, mace, martial arts weapons/devices, and knives of any size.

PERMITTED ITEMS

Umbrellas, wallet, cell phones, and car keys are permitted. However, guests will not be allowed to use cell phones inside the White House.

All items needed for medical purposes will be permitted on the tour (e.g. wheelchairs, electric scooters, glucose tablets, EpiPens, etc.).

PARKING AND TRANSPORTATION

Limited street parking is available on New York Avenue and use of public transportation is strongly encouraged. The closest metro stops to the entrance are Farragut North and Farragut West.

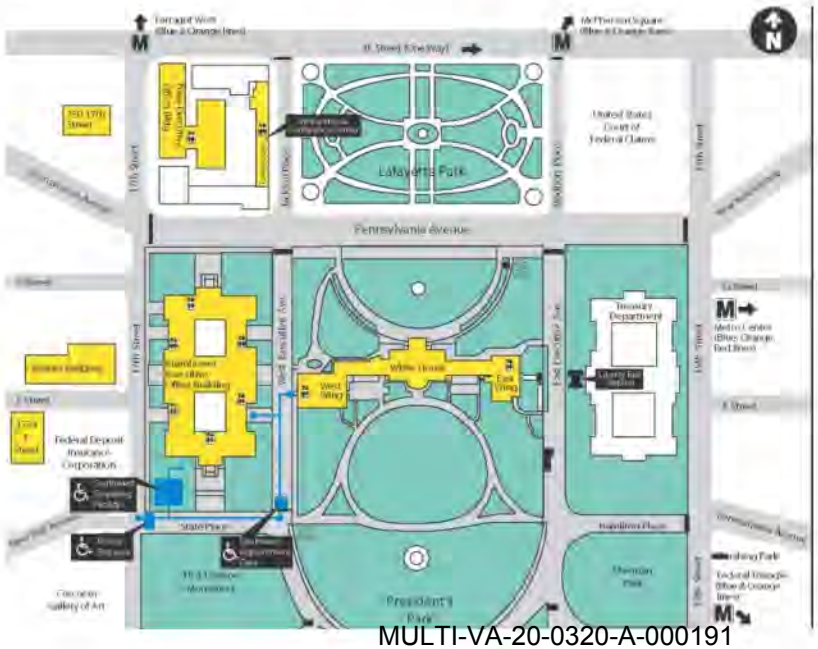
OTHER INFORMATION

Please consider the following during your preparations:

- Guests, including children, should wear clothing appropriate for the nature of the West Wing – business or business casual. **Jeans and shorts are not allowed**.
- Guests will be standing outside when waiting in line.
- Photography is permitted when outside of the West Wing (except the Rose Garden) or in the Press Briefing Room. Photography is prohibited while inside of the West Wing.
- If needed, guests that require use of a wheelchair will be provided with one at the entrance.
- Tour guides must stay with their guests for the entire duration of the tour.

WEST WING TOUR GUEST ENTRANCE

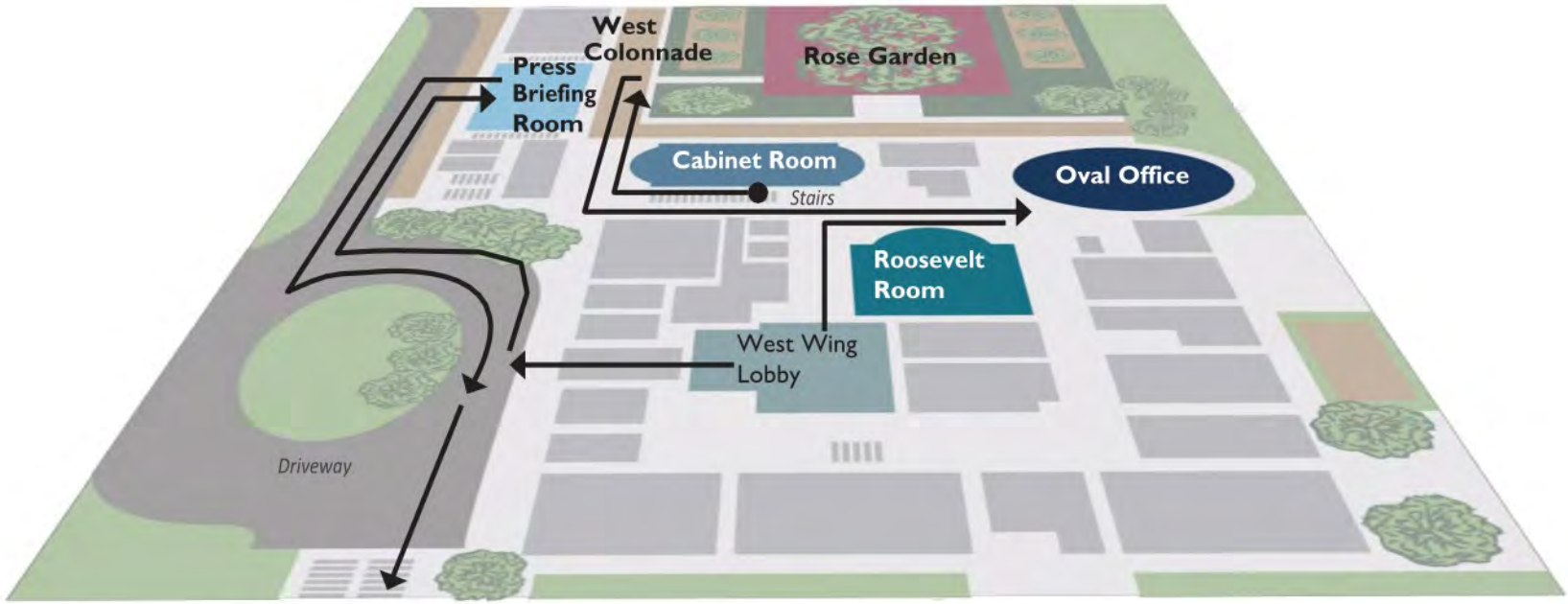
The guest entrance is located at the corner of 17th and State Place NW St.



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Since 1880, the Navy has assigned their best Culinary Specialists to prepare the finest foods and to provide outstanding service for the President throughout the world.



OVAL OFFICE

The Oval Office was moved from its original location in the center of the southern façade to its current location in the southeast corner. Highlights include the Presidential coat of arms in the ceiling and the Resolute Desk. President Trump enjoys the use of President Reagan's Oval Office rug.



WEST WING LOBBY

The West Wing Lobby serves as a greeting and waiting space for distinguished guests and the press. Today, the Lobby is much smaller than it was during the 1930s, when reporters awaited updates from the President. The lobby was captured best by artist Norman Rockwell in his illustrations entitled, "So You Want to See the President." These illustrations still hang today in one of the West Wing corridors. The Administration of President Trump refurbished and improved the elegance of the West Wing Lobby.



CABINET ROOM

The large oval conference table that dominates the Cabinet Room was purchased by President Richard M. Nixon for this room in 1970. In 2004, the room was refurbished for the first time in 22 years under the direction of Mrs. Laura Bush. President Trump expanded the length of the Cabinet Room table to accommodate the growing Cabinet.



ROOSEVELT ROOM

It was first called the "Fish Room" because of the aquariums and fishing mementos displayed by President Franklin Roosevelt. The room was renamed by President Nixon to honor the contributions of both Roosevelts to the construction of the West Wing.

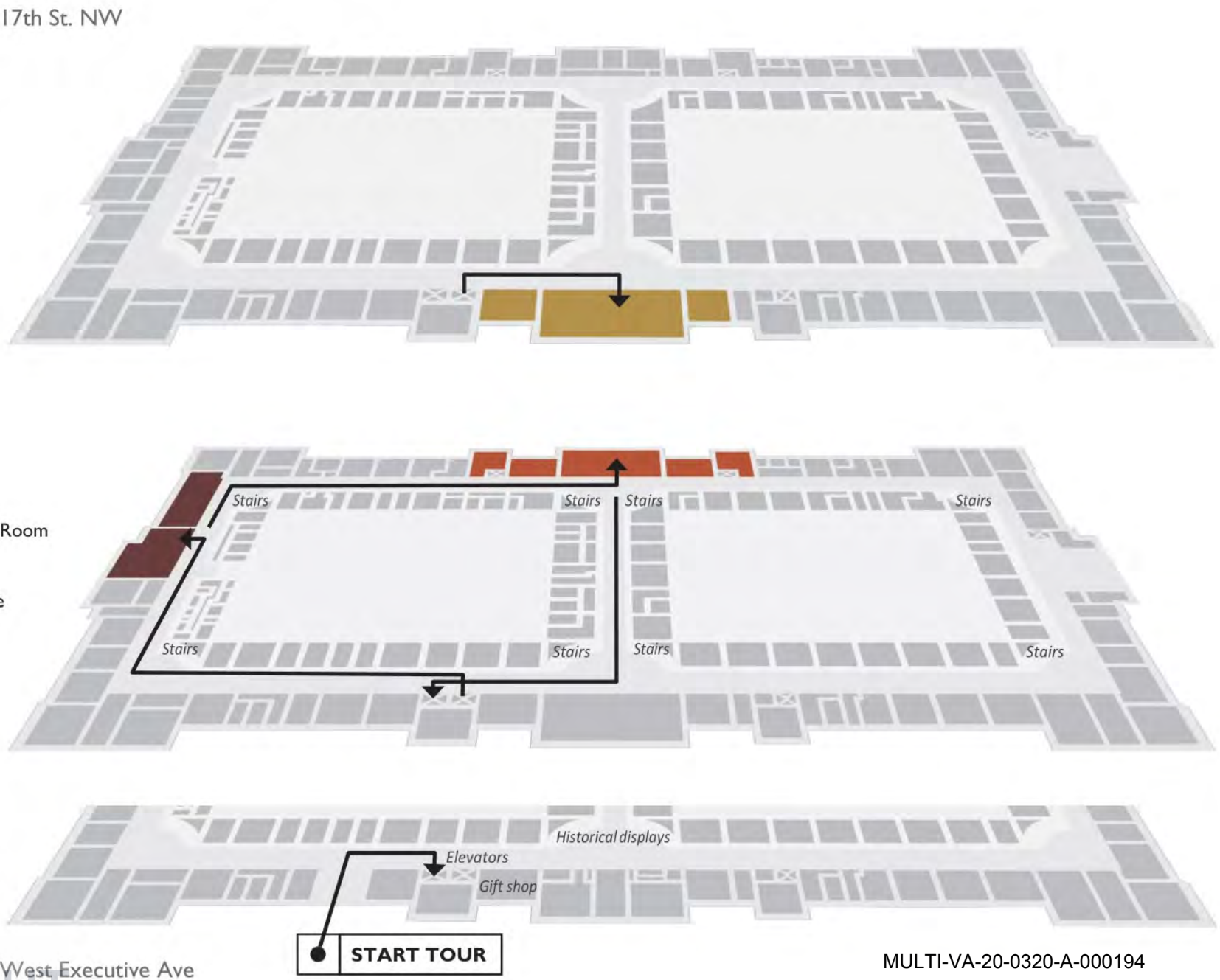


PRESS BRIEFING ROOM

The current Press Briefing Room was a swimming pool before President Richard Nixon ordered its conversion into a press room. The pool is still beneath the floor of the Press Briefing Room today.

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THE CORDELL HULL ROOM & THE DIPLOMATIC RECEPTION ROOM

When the south wing of the State Department first opened in 1875, it had three spectacular rooms designed to be showplaces for the department. One of these was the office of the Secretary of State with three windows opening onto the south portico and a view of the Potomac River.

SECRETARY OF WAR SUITE

The Secretary of War Suite consists of ten rooms designed by Stephen Decatur Hatch, a prominent New York architect of the late 19th-century. Beginning in March of 1888, Secretary of War William Endicott occupied the suite. The suite would continue to be occupied by eighteen Secretaries of War until July 1939. Notable Secretaries of War include William Endicott, Elihu Root, William Howard Taft, and Henry Stimson.

INDIAN TREATY ROOM

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A BRIEF HISTORY OF THE WEST WING

In 1902, President Theodore Roosevelt had the architectural firm of McKim, Mead & White design and construct a "temporary" office building for the president and his staff to the west of the original White House. The new building replaced the expansive greenhouses, built in the Jefferson administration, which had occupied the area above the western colonnade and the surrounding west lawn.

Prior to the creation of the West Wing, office space for the President and his staff was located on the eastern end of the Second Floor of the Executive Mansion, with the President's private living quarters on the western end. This arrangement had proved quite problematic over the years, with visitors to the President and reporters often wandering into the private rooms. Many presidents, particularly those with large families like Theodore Roosevelt, also found the eastern end of the Second Floor to be too small for their needs, making the removal of the office spaces from this floor highly desirable.

The new one story building was erected quickly, with the demolition of the former greenhouses beginning in July 1902 and staff moving in by mid October. Many found the new quarters to be too spartan, especially in comparison with the neighboring mansion. The President's office, then known as the President's Room, was rectangular rather than oval in shape and was located in the southeast corner of the building. The Cabinet Room was located to the north of the President's Room. Although much larger than the office space in the mansion, the executive staff quickly outgrew the new space, and the building was expanded to the south in 1909, approximately doubling its size. The first "Oval Office," located in the center of the building's southern side, was created at this time for President William Howard Taft. The Cabinet Room was moved to the southeast corner.

Again, desiring additional office space, a basement level for the West Wing was excavated in the spring of 1929. Just six months later, the building caught fire on Christmas Eve, destroying almost all of the interiors. The building was reconstructed soon thereafter almost exactly as it had been prior to the fire, with the notable addition of air conditioning.

The West Wing was enlarged to its existing size in 1934 under President Franklin Delano Roosevelt when a "penthouse" story was added and

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a larger basement was excavated for staff and support services. The Oval Office and its 1909 white marble mantel were moved to its present southeast corner location while the Cabinet Room was returned to the northeast corner of the building. Remodeling during the Richard Nixon administration in 1969 added a porte-cochere to the north façade and moved the press from the lobby to an area in the West Terrace where the former indoor swimming pool had been.

THE ROSE GARDEN

The Rose Garden, nearly a century old, retains the charm and flavor of early American gardens. Located adjacent to the West Wing, the Rose Garden serves as a presidential reception area for everyone from foreign dignitaries to astronauts. Ellen Axson Wilson, first wife of Woodrow Wilson (1913–1921), planted the first rose garden in the manner of 17th century Italian gardens. Prior to 1902, the area contained extensive stables, housing various horses and coaches.

Beginning with the establishment of the garden in the early twentieth century the Rose Garden has been used for a wide array of events. President Woodrow Wilson met there with the press for informal questions. President Hoover began a tradition of welcoming and being photographed with prominent citizens there. Calvin Coolidge used the garden for making public announcements about policy and staffing decisions. President John F.Kennedy welcomed Project Mercury astronauts in the garden. Many presidential news conferences take place in the garden, as well as occasional White House dinners and ceremonies. The marriage of President Richard Nixon's daughter Tricia to Edward F. Cox took place in the Rose Garden in 1971. In recent years, joint news conferences with the president and a visiting head of state have been held in the Rose Garden. Presidents frequently host American Olympic and major league athletes in the Rose Garden after winning in their respective sport.

No significant changes were made to the garden until 1961, when it was redesigned by Rachel Lambert Mellon for President John F. Kennedy. Now, one of the most famous gardens in the world, it follows the plan of the most 18th century American gardens; framed with osmanthus and boxwood, the planting beds that are changed seasonally form the long lines of the rectangle.

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Ever since then, roses have served as the primary flowering plants in the garden, including large numbers of "Queen Elizabeth" grandiflora roses, along with the tea roses "Pascale", "Pat Nixon", and "King's Ransom". In something of a decidedly odd tradition, each and every summer sees garden gnomes taken and placed throughout the Rose Garden on July 1st–the number of which representing the number of living presidents at that particular moment in time.

THE CABINET ROOM

In 1902, President Theodore Roosevelt had the architectural firm of McKim, Mead & White design and construct an office building to the west of the original White House at the end of the colonnade built in the Jefferson administration. From the Second Floor of the Executive Mansion he then removed his office and Cabinet Room to new quarters in this "West Wing". The Cabinet Room was placed in the northeast corner and the President's Room, which was then a rectangular rather than an oval office, in the southeast corner.

In 1909, President William Howard Taft expanded the wing to the south, constructing the first "Oval Office" at the center of this addition, moving the Cabinet Room to the southeast corner.

In 1934, President Franklin D. Roosevelt moved the Oval Office to its present southeast corner location and returned the Cabinet Room to the northeast corner in a further-expanded West Wing. In each location, the Cabinet Room retained its original 1902 mantel. Architectural features of the new room included arched windows on the east wall and drapery swag panels on the north and south walls, a motif derived from classical antiquity that was used extensively on American Federal style furniture in the late 18th and early 19th centuries.

The large oval conference table that dominates the Cabinet Room was purchased by President Richard M. Nixon for this room in 1970 and later donated to the White House Office. It was made by the Kittinger Co. in Buffalo, New York. The leather armchairs that surround the table are derived from Queen Anne armchairs in the Council Chamber at Colonial Williamsburg. Cabinet members are assigned their own chairs, as designated on the plaques on the back of the chairs, and have the option of purchasing their chairs when they leave office. The taller chair at the east side of the table is occupied by the President.

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In 2004, the room was refurbished for the first time in 22 years under the direction of Mrs. Laura Bush. The wool rug by Edward Fields, Inc. of New York has bowed ends to reflect the curvature in the north and south walls, a red field spangled with gold stars, and a border composed of olive branches, the symbol of peace that appears in the Presidential Seal.

Six gold eagle-form sconces, created by Cox, Nostrand & Garrison, Inc., of Brooklyn, N.Y., for the room in 1930 when it was rebuilt after the 1929 fire, were re-installed; they were likely removed during the Kennedy refurbishing which added fluorescent lighting. The two bell-shaped dish lights contemporary with these patriotic Art Deco sconces did not survive the Kennedy administration changes, but three larger reproductions were commissioned from Gibson & Gibson Antique Lighting, Chula Vista, California.

WHITE HOUSE COLLECTION OBJECTS:

The Declaration of Independence of the United States of American, July 4, 1776
by Charles-Edouard Armand-Dumaresq
Oil on canvas, c. 1873. Over the fireplace mantel is depiction of the Second Continental Congress adopting the Declaration of Independence on July 4, 1776. Although inspired by John Trumbull's famous painting of that historical scene, it is not a copy of it.

George Washington **by Charles Willson Peale**
Oil on canvas, 1776. This is believed to be the artist's only replica of his 1776 portrait of Washington in dress uniform painted for John Hancock (now in the Brooklyn Museum of Art). The city of Boston can be seen in the distance, the siege and liberation of which, 1775-76, is commemorated as Washington's first great success.

President Harry S. Truman **by Frank O. Salisbury**
Oil on canvas, 1946. Frank O. Salisbury was a popular British artist who specialized in portraits and scenes of historical events. In addition to likenesses of British royalty, he also painted government leaders including Prime Minister Winston Churchill and Presidents Woodrow Wilson, Calvin Coolidge, Herbert Hoover, and Franklin D. Roosevelt. President Truman sat for Salisbury on several occasions in the fall of 1946, usually in a makeshift studio set up in the office of Press Secretary Charles Ross. The President, portrayed in the Oval Office, holds

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in his right hand a joint statement on the control and use of atomic energy, which was signed by Truman, British Prime Minister Clement Attlee, and Canadian Prime Minister Mackenzie King on November 15, 1945. In the background, at left, is a globe from his office, a gift from then General Dwight D. Eisenhower. On a tour of the Truman Library museum for museum docents on November 21, 1957, Truman said of his portrait: "I call that my stuffed shirt painting." Salisbury is represented in the White House collection by a 1947 replica of his 1934 portrait of President Franklin D. Roosevelt. [Courtesy the Harry S. Truman Library]. On loan from the Harry S. Truman Library, 2009.

THE OVAL OFFICE

When the West Wing was first constructed in 1902, the President's office, located in the southeast corner of the building, was rectangular. The first oval-shaped executive office, inspired by the oval rooms within the Executive Residence, was created in 1909 for President William Howard Taft as part of a building expansion. When the West Wing was renovated again in 1934, the Oval Office was moved from its original location in the center of the southern façade to its current location in the southeast corner.

Presidential Coat of Arms in Ceiling
The Presidential coat of arms in plaster relief in the ceiling was first added to the room during the 1934 renovation. In 1965, it was modified to add two state stars and to change the direction of the eagle's head towards its own right (towards the talon holding the olive branch), as dictated by President Truman's 1945 redefinition of the Presidential Seal.

"Resolute" Desk
This double pedestal desk was made from the oak timbers of the British ship H.M.S. Resolute as a gift to President Rutherford B. Hayes from Queen Victoria in 1880. It has been used by every president since Hayes, excepting Presidents Johnson, Nixon, and Ford, 1964-1977. President John F. Kennedy was the first president to use this desk in the Oval Office; prior to that time, it was used in the Executive Residence.

The desk was used in the President's Office on the Second Floor of the Residence from 1880 until 1902, at which time the office was moved to the newly constructed West Wing. This desk remained, however, on

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the Second Floor of the Residence in the President's Study. President Franklin D. Roosevelt requested that the rear kneehole be fitted with a panel carved with the presidential coat of arms, but he did not live to see it installed in 1945.

After the Truman Renovation of the White House, 1948-1952, the desk was placed in the Broadcast Room on the Ground Floor where it was used by President Dwight D. Eisenhower during radio and television broadcasts. It was first used in the Oval Office in 1961 at the request of President John F. Kennedy. After President Lyndon B. Johnson selected another desk for his office, it was lent to a Kennedy Library traveling exhibition, 1964-1965, and then to the Smithsonian Institution for exhibition, 1966-1977.

In January 1977, President Jimmy Carter requested that this historic desk be returned to the White House for use again in the Oval Office. In 1981, President Ronald W. Reagan also chose to use this desk in the Oval Office. President George Bush used it in the Oval Office for five months in 1989 before having it moved to his Residence Office in exchange for a partner's desk which he had used in his West Wing office as Vice President.

This historic desk, returned to the Oval Office for President Bill Clinton, was also used by Presidents George W. Bush and Barack Obama, and has been retained by President Donald Trump.

A brass plaque affixed to the desk records the history of its creation: H.M.S. "Resolute," forming part of the expedition sent in search of Sir John Franklin in 1852, was abandoned in Latitude 74 41' N. Longitude 101 22' W. on 15th May 1854. She was discovered and extricated in September 1855, in Latitude 67 N. by Captain Buddington of the United States Whaler "George Henry." The ship was purchased,fitted out and sent to England, as a gift to Her Majesty Queen Victoria by the President and People of the United States, as a token of goodwill & friendship. This table was made from her timbers when she was broken up, and is presented by the Queen ofGreat Britain & Ireland, to the President of the United States, as a memorial of the courtesy and loving kindness which dictated the offer of the gift of the "Resolute."

Rug

The current rug was custom-made for the Oval Office by KMM Corporation in Lewiston, Maine for President Ronald Reagan in 1988. President Donald Trump requested that this rug be returned when he

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assumed office. Every president since Reagan has commissioned a new rug for the Oval Office, although prior to this time, rugs were used for multiple administrations. Oval Office rugs remain part of the White House collection and do not leave with the President who selected them. The rug features the Presidential coat of arms on a golden beige and ivory field of rays derived from early-19th-century French rugs.

Architectural features of the present Oval Office, as designed by Eric Gugler in 1934, include: the Presidential coat of arms in plaster relief in the ceiling (as modified in 1965 to add two state stars and to reflect President Truman's 1945 redefinition of the seal); the doors to the veranda and study, each with a pediment above a horizontal fasces, the classical symbol of the governing authority; and the window and shelf niches with shell canopies modeled after those in the Yellow Oval Room in the Residence.

The current floor of walnut and white oak was installed in August 2005, replacing an identical floor laid in 1982. The 1982 floor was the first time hardwood had been used in the Oval Office: the original (1934) flooring in this room was made of cork, which was covered with wood-grain vinyl in 1969 during the Nixon administration.

WHITE HOUSE COLLECTION OBJECTS:

***Alexander Hamilton* by John Trumbull**
Oil on canvas, c. 1805. Trumbull was best known for portraits of America's founding fathers and scenes of the American Revolution. Alexander Hamilton was the first Secretary of the Treasury during George Washington's presidency. This is one of eight replicas made by the artist from an original likeness painted in 1804 for the City Hall of New York.

***Martin Luther King, Jr.* by Charles Alston**
Bronze, 1970. Dr. King visited the White House on several occasions and was on hand to see President Lyndon Johnson sign the Civil Rights Act of 1964 in the East Room. An influential teacher, Charles Alston was a founding member of the Harlem Arts Workshop in 1934.

***George Washington* by Rembrandt Peale**
Oil on panel, c. 1823. The painting hanging above the mantel is believed to be based on an 1823 portrait, also by Rembrandt Peale, on display in the Old Senate Chamber of the United States Capitol. From it, Peale

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painted 79 similar "porthole" portraits, some showing Washington in civilian dress and others showing him in uniform.

***Thomas Jefferson* by George P.A. Healy**
Oil on canvas, c. 1842-1860. This likeness, based on a c. 1810 life portrait by Gilbert Stuart, is part of series of presidential portraits commissioned in 1842 by French King Louis Philippe for the gallery at Versailles. The series was never delivered and was eventually acquired for the Corcoran Gallery of Art.

On loan from the National Gallery of Art, formerly the Corcoran Gallery of Art Collection, 1981.

***Winston Churchill* by Sir Jacob Epstein**
Bronze, 1946. In the 1940s, the British Ministry of Information commissioned six busts and statues of wartime leaders, the most notable being the 1946 bust of Winston Churchill. Churchill, as Prime Minister of Great Britain, stayed in the White House several times during World War II.

On loan from the United Kingdom Government Art Collection, 2017.

***Thomas Jefferson* by Rembrandt Peale**
Oil on canvas, 1800. This life portrait of Jefferson as Vice President was painted in Philadelphia less than a year before he assumed the presidency. It became the prototype for many American and European engravings and the most popular 19th century image of Jefferson.

***Abraham Lincoln* by Augustus Saint-Gaudens**
Bronze, c. 1923. In 1884, the sculptor was chosen to create a bronze statue of Lincoln for Chicago's Lincoln Park. The standing figure, with head slightly bent down, was considered one of the most successful and expressive likenesses, and was later recast on a smaller scale. Around 1923, several bust-size versions were made, of which this is example.

***Andrew Jackson* by Clark Mills**
White metal, 1855. On January 8, 1853, the 38th anniversary of the British defeat at New Orleans, an important sculpture of Major General Andrew Jackson was unveiled in the center of Lafayette Park with President Franklin Pierce in attendance. The statue was the first life-size bronze equestrian statue cast in the United States. This miniature version was purchased by the government in 1859 for the White House.

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***Andrew Jackson* by Ralph E.W. Earl**
Oil on canvas, c. 1835. The artist was related by marriage to Andrew Jackson's wife, Rachel. Earl painted many portraits of President Jackson as well as other members of the family. Earl's portrait of Emily Donelson, who served as official hostess during the Jackson Administration, hangs in the Queens' Bedroom. Earl spent a great deal of time at the Jackson White House and used what is now the Queens' Bedroom, as a bedroom and studio. He is buried at the Hermitage, Jackson's home outside of Nashville, Tennessee.

***The Bronco Buster* by Frederic Remington**
Bronze c. 1903. This popular western bronze has been on view in the Oval Office since it was given to the White House collection in 1973. The original design, copyrighted in 1895, was Remington's first work of sculpture.

***Theodore Roosevelt* by James Earle Fraser**
Bronze, c. 1910. Theodore Roosevelt is portrayed in the neckerchief and uniform jacket worn when he was a Rough Rider (1st Cavalry Volunteers) in the Spanish-American War. The sculptor is best known for poignant Indian figure, The End of the Trail, and for his design of the buffalo nickel.

***Abraham Lincoln* by George Henry Story**
Oil on canvas, c. 1915. This likeness is based on sketches Story made of President Lincoln in his White House office (now the Lincoln Bedroom) in June 1861.

THE ROOSEVELT ROOM

When the West Wing was constructed in 1902, the site of this room was the southeast corner of the building occupied by the President's office and anteroom. When the Wing was expanded to the south in 1909, the space became parts of two waiting rooms. When the Wing was expanded to the east in 1934, it assumed its present function as a centrally located conference room across the corridor from the repositioned Oval Office. It retained the painted wooden mantel which had been in the 1902 President's Room and was equipped with a skylight lit from a shaft passing through the Wing's new second floor.

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As a conference room, it was first called the "Fish Room" because of the aquariums and fishing mementos displayed by President Franklin D. Roosevelt. The tradition of this name was revived in the early 1960s when President John F. Kennedy hung a large mounted sailfish which he had caught in Acapulco.

The room was renamed the "Roosevelt Room" by President Richard Nixon in 1969 to honor the contributions of Theodore Roosevelt in erecting the West Wing and of Franklin D. Roosevelt in enlarging the Wing to its present size.

WHITE HOUSE COLLECTION OBJECTS:

***Theodore Roosevelt* by James Earle Fraser**
Bronze-patinated metal plaque, c. 1920. The sculptor best known for his Indian figure, The End of the Trail, and his design of the buffalo nickel. It includes a quotation attributed to Roosevelt–"Aggressive fighting for the right is the noblest sport the world affords." The plaque was acquired by the General Services Administration in 1969.

***Franklin D. Roosevelt* by John DeStefano**
Bronze, c. 1933. The profile bust portrait is surmounted by a spread-winged eagle and flanked by fasces, the Roman symbol of authority. The title panel includes a quotation from the Roman statesman Seneca–"I shall hold my rudder true."

On loan from the Franklin D. Roosevelt Library, 1969.

***Crossing the River Platte* by Worthington Whittredge**
Oil on canvas, c. 1871. Whittredge accompanied the 1865-66 General John Pope expedition, traveling across the Plains along the Platte River and Rocky Mountains from Kansas to New Mexico. Later in his New York studio, he painted this scene from sketches made during his travels showing Indians fording the river in what is now eastern Colorado.

***Franklin D. Roosevelt* by Alfred Jonniaux**
Oil on canvas, 1958. This posthumous likeness of Franklin Roosevelt was commissioned by his close friend and law partner, Basil "Doc" O'Connor, who helped Roosevelt establish the Georgia Warm Springs Foundation and the National Foundation for Infantile Paralysis (now called the March of Dimes Foundation). It has been on loan from the Franklin D. Roosevelt Library since 1978.

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***Eleanor Roosevelt* by Alva Museum Reproductions, after Victor Lamkay**
Composite stone, bronze patina, wood base, c. 1993. The original work was sculpted in 1962 and 1963. Sculptor Victor Lamkay had hoped to get permission for sittings with Mrs. Roosevelt, but she died before he could do so. From photographs, the artist was able to complete the bronze, now in the Franklin D. Roosevelt Library.

***Theodore Roosevelt* by Tade Styka**
Oil on canvas, 1909. Roosevelt is depicted in a tan uniform, possibly his Rough Rider outfit. This likeness is thought to have been painted from sittings in the artist's studio near Paris during Roosevelt's post-presidential tour of Europe, 1909.

***View of the City of Washington from the Virginia Shore* by William MacLeod**
Oil on canvas, 1856. The artist, who appears in the lower right foreground, painted this view of Washington from across the Potomac River near his native Alexandria, Virginia. Visible in the background are the unfinished Washington Monument, at the left; the U.S. Capitol with the earlier Bulfinch dome, at center; and the Washington Navy Yard, at the right.

***Our Vanishing Wildlife* by Alexander Pope**
Bronze, c. 1915-24. This sculpture of a bison battling three wolves was displayed by the artist at the Panama-Pacific Exposition in San Francisco in 1915 at which it was judged one of the best sculptures.

Nobel Peace Prize Medal
The medal was awarded to President Theodore Roosevelt in 1906 for his mediation of the Russo-Japanese War peace settlement. The first Nobel prize awarded to an American, it was a gift to the White House from the Theodore Roosevelt Association and presented to President Ronald Reagan in 1982 in the Roosevelt Room on the 125th anniversary of Theodore Roosevelt's birth.

Medal of Honor
Awarded posthumously to Theodore Roosevelt, January 16, 2001 to honor his heroism in the Spanish-American War, 1898. The medal was presented to President George W. Bush for the White House collection by Roosevelt family in ceremony held in the Roosevelt Room, September 16, 2002.

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Mantel Clock made by the Chelsea Clock Co., Boston Brass and pine, mid-20th century.
The circular brass ship's clock is set in a wooden frame.

THE WEST WING RECEPTION ROOM

When the West Wing was erected in 1902, a rectangular lobby was placed at the center of the north side of the building, opening directly to the driveway beneath a small porch. When the wing was expanded in 1909, it remained unchanged, while two adjacent rooms were converted into additional waiting rooms. In 1929, the Congressional Waiting Room became an office, while the General Waiting Room was absorbed into an enlarged T-shaped Lobby.

In 1934, when the President's Oval Office and the Cabinet Room were moved into the eastern extension of the West Wing, a new lobby was created at the center of the building with access through a narrow foyer leading to the north doorway. The somewhat informal character of this new lobby, which was a waiting room for both distinguished visitors and the press alike, was captured by artist Norman Rockwell in a four-panel illustration entitled, So You Want to See the President, drawn for the November 13, 1943 issue of the Saturday Evening Post.

With the construction of new press facilities in the West Terrace in 1970, the lobby was renovated to provide a smaller, more intimate reception room. The southern half of the room was walled off, becoming two staff offices entered from the south corridor.

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***The First Naval Action in the War of 1812* by William John Huggins**
Oil on canvas, 1816. This large maritime painting depicts the naval division of Commodore John Rodgers pursuing the British frigate H.M.S. Belvidera, five days after the United States had declared war on Great Britain in 1812. It is probably based on a sketch made by James Stilwell, an officer on the Belvidera.

***Rutland Falls, Vermont* by Frederic E. Church**
Oil on canvas, 1848. Considered part of the second generation of the Hudson River School, Church was a major 19th-century American landscape painter best known for [illegible] in

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North and South America. His landscapes were somewhat idealized with every aspect of nature depicted in great detail. A special emphasis was placed on light and cloud effects, often with very dramatic results.

***Shinnecock Hills, Long Island* by William Merritt Chase**
Oil on panel, 1900. Chase taught a successful summer art school at Shinnecock on the eastern end of Long Island, 1891-1902. Considered amongst his finest works are the paintings of the coastal landscape around his house and studio (designed by Stanford White), of which this is one.

***James Monroe* by Adrian Lamb, after Gilbert Stuart**
Oil on canvas, 1975. This likeness is a copy of a c. 1818-20 Gilbert Stuart portrait, now in the collection of the Metropolitan Museum of Art in New York.

***Emigrant Scene* attributed to William Henry Powell**
Oil on canvas, c. 1837. Powell found success as a portraitist and later as a painter of historical subjects. In 1847, he was selected to create the last painting for the U.S. Capitol Rotunda, replacing his former teacher, Henry Inman, who had died suddenly in 1846. Perhaps Powell's best known painting, this mammoth work entitled, Discovery of the Mississippi by De Soto, portrayed the Spanish explorer's arrival on May 8, 1541.

***Donner Lake from the Summit* by Edwin Deakin**
Oil on canvas, 1876. This panoramic view features Donner Lake, located in northeast California on the eastern edge of the Sierra Nevada mountain range. Deakin, an English-born artist, came to California in 1870 and established a studio in the San Francisco area, where he resided for the remainder of his life. He was best known for views of California's Spanish-era missions, Chinatown, and the aftermath of the 1906 earthquake.

***Vernal Falls, Yosemite* by Thomas Hill**
***Nevada Falls, Yosemite* by Thomas Hill,**
Oil on canvas, 1889. This pair of scenic paintings was created by Thomas Hill, an artist best known for his views of Yosemite Valley. Hill moved permanently to California in 1871, and in the 1880s, established a studio in Yosemite that today serves as the National Park Service visitor center.

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***Cannonading on the Potomac, October, 1861* by Alfred Wordsworth Thompson**
Oil on canvas, c. 1868-70. Thompson painted this American Civil War scene from sketches made of the Battle of Ball's Bluff, on the Potomac River near Leesburg, Virginia, on October 21, 1861. On the reverse side of the canvas is an inscription: "...Col. E[dward]. D. Baker, Commanding, was killed in this action." A U.S. Senator from Oregon, Baker was a longtime friend of Abraham Lincoln; the president's second son was his namesake. Among those wounded in this battle, a tactical blunder for the routed Federal troops, was Oliver Wendell Holmes, Jr., later a justice of the U.S. Supreme Court.

Bookcase
Mahogany, c. 1770, English. The bookcase holds bound copies of presidential documents.

THE PRESS BRIEFING ROOM

The current Press Room did not exist until President Richard Nixon converted the indoor swimming pool to the present day space. The indoor swimming pool, which still exists below the Press Room floor, was installed during President Franklin D. Roosevelt's administration in 1933 placed between the White House and the West Wing.

President Nixon started the conversion of the space into a lounge and press offices that could also serve as a press briefing room starting in 1969. Since 1970, the White House press corps have gathered in this space to listen to briefings and reports presented by the press secretary. The space was last updated in 2005 by President George W. Bush.

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EISENHOWER EXECUTIVE OFFICE BUILDING



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The Eisenhower Executive Office Building (EEOB) is located next to the West Wing, and houses a majority of offices for White House staff. Originally built for the State, War, and Navy Departments between 1871 and 1888, the EEOB is an impressive building that commands a unique position in both our national history and architectural heritage.

Designed by Supervising Architect of the Treasury Alfred Mullett, the granite, slate, and cast iron exterior makes the EEOB one of America's best examples of the French Second Empire style of architecture. Construction took 17 years as the building slowly rose wing by wing. The EEOB was finished in 1888 and was the largest office building in Washington with nearly 2 miles of black and white tiled corridors.

The Navy Department left in 1918 (except for the Secretary who stayed until 1921), followed by the War Department in 1938, and finally by the State Department in 1947. The White House began to move some of its offices across West Executive Avenue in 1939, and in 1949 the building was turned over to the Executive Office of the President and renamed the Executive Office Building. The building was designated a National Historic Landmark in 1969. The building continues to house various agencies that comprise the Executive Office of the President, such as the White House Office, the Office of the Vice President, the Office of Management and Budget, and the National Security Council.



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The Vice President's Ceremonial Office



The current Vice President's Ceremonial Office was originally used as the Secretary of Navy's office from 1879 to 1923. From 1923 to 1947, General John Pershing occupied the office initially as the Army Chief of Staff then as the Chairman of the Battle and Monuments Commission, becoming the longest single occupant of this room (24 years). Additionally, President Hoover used the office for three months following a Christmas Eve fire in the West Wing in 1929.

Since 1960 it has been used as the Vice President's Ceremonial Office with the exception of Vice President Hubert Humphrey, because Lyndon Johnson did not give up the office when he became President after the Kennedy assassination.

The current desk is part of the White House collection, and was commissioned to be built for Theodore Roosevelt's use in the Oval Office. Several important figures have used the desk including Presidents Taft, Wilson, Harding, Coolidge, and for a few months, Hoover. The desk was placed in storage early on during Herbert Hoover's Presidency where it remained until 1945 when President Truman then used it. Vice President Johnson and all subsequent Vice Presidents (except Hubert Humphrey) have used the desk. Since the 1940s, various users have signed the inside of the top drawer.



The top drawer has been signed by Vice Presidents Cheney, Gore, Quayle, Mondale, and Rockefeller; and Presidents Truman and Eisenhower.





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Secretary of War Suite



The Secretary of War Suite consists of ten rooms designed by Stephen Decatur Hatch, a prominent New York architect of the late 19th-century. Beginning in March of 1888, Secretary of War William Endicott occupied the suite. The suite would continue on to be occupied by 18 Secretaries of War until July 1939. Notable Secretaries of War included William Endicott, Elihu Root, William Howard Taft, and Henry Stimson.



History made in these rooms included the development, review, and acceptance of all plans of defense for our nation and our armed forces in times of conflict as well as in times of peace between 1888 and 1939. The War Department moved from the building between 1938–39. The Bureau of the Budget, newly established by Franklin Roosevelt's administration, immediately took possession of these rooms.

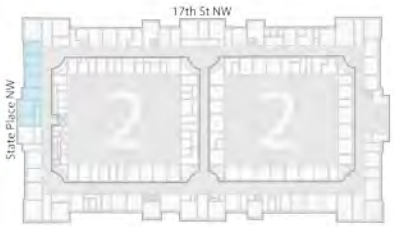
Another event of interest occurred in 1908, while in his office in what is now EEOB 230B, Secretary of War Taft received word by telephone that the Republican convention in Chicago had nominated him for the presidency.





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The Cordell Hull Room & the Diplomatic Reception Room



When the south wing of the State Department first opened in 1875, it had three spectacular rooms designed to be showplaces for the department. One of these was the office of the Secretary of State located at the center of the second floor with three windows opening onto the south portico and a view of the Potomac River. The other two rooms included the State Department Library (now the EOP Library) and the Diplomatic Reception Room (room 212, pictured upper right).

A total of 24 men served 25 terms as Secretary of State (James G. Blaine served as Secretary of State for two terms—the first term March 1881 to December 1881, and the second term March 1889 to June 1892) in the EEOB. Hamilton Fish was the first Secretary of State to serve in this office, from July 1875 to March 1877. He and his staff moved into the building before the wing was fully completed in December 1875.

Many important events have occurred in these rooms. In 1898, Secretary of State John Hay handed the Spanish ambassador his credentials and passport, thus signifying our declaration of war against Spain. During his term, Hay supported an American imperialist solution to the Spanish-American War, helped formulate the "Open Door" policy in China, arranged treaties to facilitate the building of the Panama Canal, and worked with President Roosevelt in settling the Russo-Japanese War.

On Sunday morning, December 7, 1941, Secretary of State Cordell Hull was in his office (pictured lower right) meeting with his aides and discussing the volatile situation in the Far East. The meeting was interrupted when intercepted messages between Japanese Foreign Minister Togo and Japanese Ambassadors to the US were delivered to Secretary Hull's office. After receiving a phone call from President Roosevelt informing him of a Japanese attack on Pearl Harbor, Secretary Hull met with the Japanese Ambassador. The next day, Congress declared war on Japan. Later, in 1942, the United Nations Declaration was drafted and signed in this room.

George Catlett Marshall was the last Secretary of State to serve in this office. Marshall oversaw the move of the Department of State staff from the EEOB to their new offices in Foggy Bottom, in the old War Department building, which was mostly complete by May 1947.

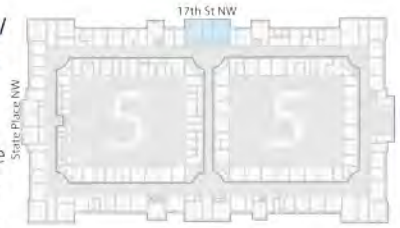




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The War Library / The Law Library



Originally designated as the War Department Library, the room was designed by Austrian-born Richard Ezdorf, a draftsman for the Supervising Architect of the Treasury, and completed in 1887. Ezdorf selected an eclectic mix of the French Renaissance, Classical, and Gothic Revival styles. Mixing elements of these styles was very popular in the late 19th-century and became characteristic of the high Victorian style.

The War Department's library collection included books, charts, maps, and photographs. This includes photographs and their negatives taken by Mathew Brady during the Civil War, which were acquired by the War Department in 1875 for $25,000 when financial difficulties forced Brady to sell them. The U.S. Signal Corps became responsible for the library in 1894, and the War Department occupied the space until 1938 when they vacated the building.

Between 1938 and 1970, the library was used for storage. In 1970, the library was renovated for use as a conference room. The library is currently used to house the Law Library for the Executive Office of the President.



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Indian Treaty Room



The Indian Treaty Room is located on the east wing's fourth floor and was originally the Navy Department Library. It was designed by Richard Ezdorf and was completed in 1880. The room does not resemble a library as we know it; the books were shelved in alcoves on two levels at each end adjacent to the main reading room. The Navy Department vacated the building between 1918 and 1921, with the library last to leave in 1923.

The Indian Treaty Room was later used for presidential press conferences from 1950 until 1961. President Eisenhower held the first televised presidential press conference in this room on January 19, 1955. Phone booths were located just outside the door to accommodate the press needing to call in their stories for late breaking news.

The room's designation as the "Indian Treaty Room" is one of the building's most interesting mysteries. It is not known how the room inherited its name despite considerable research. Its first mention in the press was in 1954, and many recall the days between 1923 and 1942 when the State Department used the room as storage space, and perhaps someone thought that treaties with Native American tribes were stored in the room.





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East Rotunda

Located on the West Executive Avenue, center corridor side of the EEOB, the East Rotunda was designed for the Department of Navy by Richard Ezdorf, chief draftsman for the Supervising Architect of the Treasury; completed in 1879.



West Rotunda

Located on the 17th Street, center corridor side of the EEOB, the West Rotunda was designed for the Department of War by Richard Ezdorf, chief draftsman for the Supervising Architect of the Treasury; completed in 1888.



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Truman Bowling Alley

On April 19, 1947, President Harry Truman was presented with the gift of two bowling lanes in the basement of the Executive Offices (today's West Wing where the Situation Room is presently located). The lanes came with an automatic pinsetter, which had been successfully introduced the year before at the 1946 American Bowling Congress (ABC) Tournament by AMF. In 1953, President Truman gave the lanes to the employees of the White House and the bowling alley first opened. In 1955, the lanes were moved from the West Wing's basement to the EEOB's basement.

President Richard Nixon was the most avid of the presidential bowlers, spending as many as four hours at a time rolling games.







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From: Bossie, Darren J.
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To: (b)(6)@usna.edu
Subject: FW: West Wing Tour Request
Attachments: West Wing Tour Guidelines and Maps.pdf, West Wing and EEOB Historical Guides.pdf

Good morning Midshipmen (b)(6)

Thank you for your interest in touring the West Wing of the White House. Please submit your background information to the United States Secret Service as soon as possible. The link is highlighted below. The tour will be on Saturday, September 28th at 245pm. The tour group will include myself, as well as 4 other Midshipmen from the United States Naval Academy.

Attached, please find material provided by the White House related to your upcoming tour. After reviewing the attached information, please let me know if you have any questions or concerns.

Thank you for your service to this country! Enjoy the tour!

Darren Bossie
White House Liaison
Office of the Secretary
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From: (b)(6) EOP/WHO <(b)(6)@who.eop.gov>
Sent: Thursday, August 29, 2019 10:46 AM
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Subject: [EXTERNAL] FW: West Wing Tour Request

West wing tour for the midshipmen

From: White House Management Office <(b)(6)@eop.gov>
Sent: Thursday, August 29, 2019 10:44 AM
To: (b)(6) EOP/WHO <(b)(6)@who.eop.gov>
Subject: West Wing Tour Request

Hello,

(b)(6) is scheduled to guide the following tour on Saturday, September 28, 2019 at 02:45 PM for 6 guests.

Please share the attached West Wing Tour Guidelines with your guest(s). As a reminder, all guests should wear clothing appropriate to the nature of the West Wing.

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While photography is allowed outside the West Wing and inside the Press Briefing Room, photography is strictly prohibited inside the West Wing and in the Rose Garden.

Staff are responsible for submitting their guests' WAVES. Guests must submit their WAVES information at this link: RSVP Link. To manage your RSVPs please visit the Appointment Center.

Tour guests are authorized to enter the EEOB and West Wing only. West Wing tour guests are not allowed on the White House tour route. White House tours must be booked separately on the White House Staff Portal. Failure to comply with these guidelines may result in the revocation of West Wing tour privileges.

If you need to cancel your tour, change the tour guide, or reduce the number of scheduled guests, please click here. Failure to cancel a tour may result in reduced tour privileges.

Thank you,

White House Management Office

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WEST WING TOUR GUIDELINES

IDENTIFICATION

All guests 18 years of age or older will be required to present a valid, government-issued photo identification (detailed below). All foreign nationals must present their passport, regardless of age. All other forms of foreign identification will not be accepted.

- Valid government-issued United States identification card (e.g. drivers license, military ID).
- Valid United States or other official government-issued passports.

All information submitted (e.g. name, date of birth, city, etc.) must exactly match the government-issued photo ID presented when arriving at the White House. No other forms of identification will be accepted; photocopies, expired IDs, or other transmissions of these documents are NOT valid.

PROHIBITED ITEMS

The following items are prohibited:

- Any pointed objects, including pocket knives.
- Food or beverages, tobacco products, and personal grooming items (i.e. makeup, lotion, etc.).
- Aerosol containers.
- Guns, ammunition, fireworks, electric stun guns, mace, martial arts weapons/devices, and knives of any size.

PERMITTED ITEMS

Umbrellas, wallet, cell phones, and car keys are permitted. However, guests will not be allowed to use cell phones inside the White House.

All items needed for medical purposes will be permitted on the tour (e.g. wheelchairs, electric scooters, glucose tablets, EpiPens, etc.).

PARKING AND TRANSPORTATION

Limited street parking is available on New York Avenue and use of public transportation is strongly encouraged. The closest metro stops to the entrance are Farragut North and Farragut West.

OTHER INFORMATION

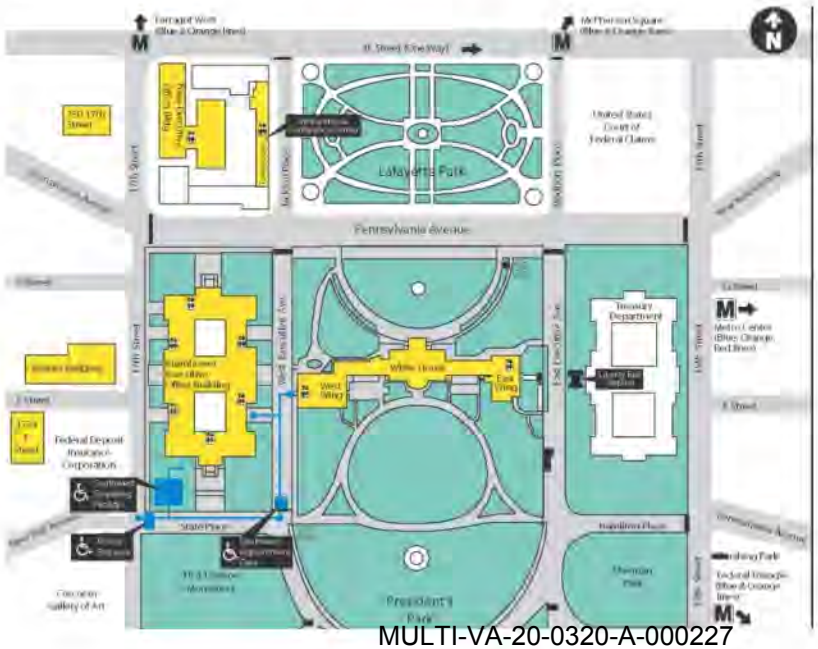
Please consider the following during your preparations:

- Guests, including children, should wear clothing appropriate for the nature of the West Wing – business or business casual. **Jeans and shorts are not allowed**.
- Guests will be standing outside when waiting in line.
- Photography is permitted when outside of the West Wing (except the Rose Garden) or in the Press Briefing Room. Photography is prohibited while inside of the West Wing.
- If needed, guests that require use of a wheelchair will be provided with one at the entrance.
- Tour guides must stay with their guests for the entire duration of the tour.

WEST WING TOUR GUEST ENTRANCE

The guest entrance is located at the corner of 17th and State Place NW

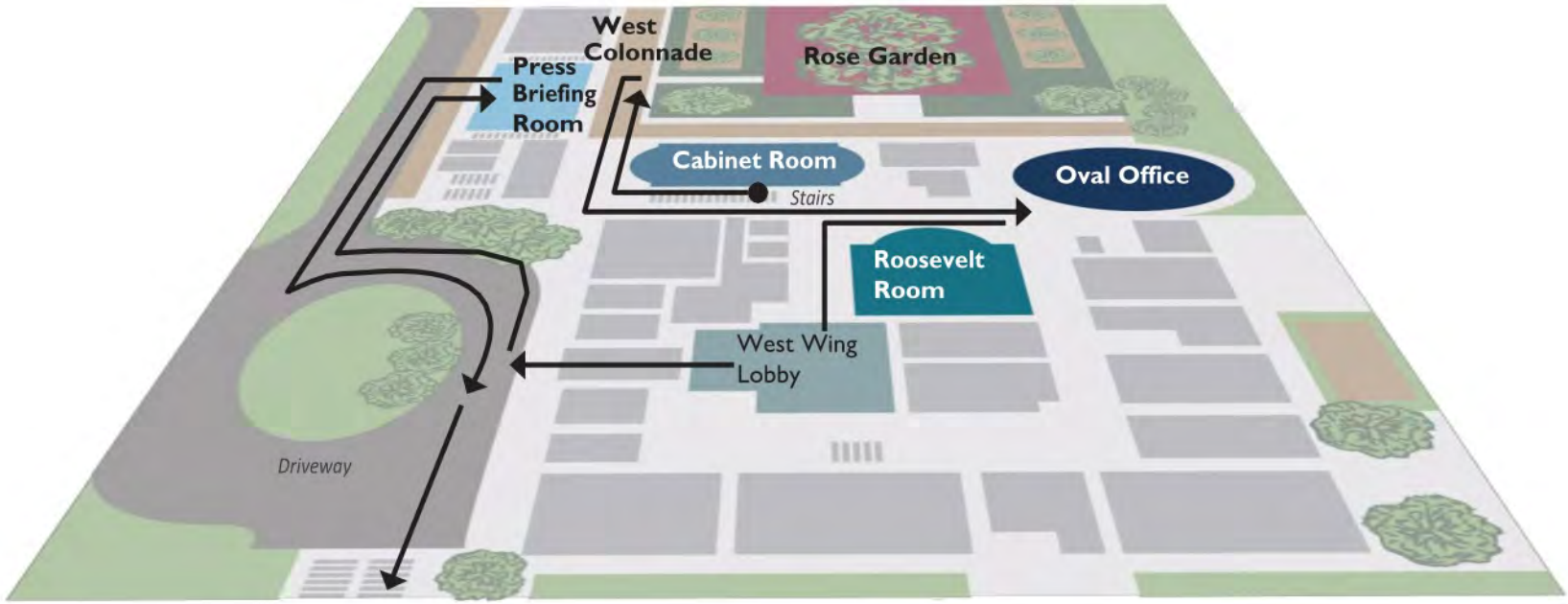
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Since 1880, the Navy has assigned their best Culinary Specialists to prepare the finest foods and to provide outstanding service for the President throughout the world.



OVAL OFFICE

The Oval Office was moved from its original location in the center of the southern façade to its current location in the southeast corner. Highlights include the Presidential coat of arms in the ceiling and the Resolute Desk. President Trump enjoys the use of President Reagan's Oval Office rug.



WEST WING LOBBY

The West Wing Lobby serves as a greeting and waiting space for distinguished guests and the press. Today, the Lobby is much smaller than it was during the 1930s, when reporters awaited updates from the President. The lobby was captured best by artist Norman Rockwell in his illustrations entitled, "So You Want to See the President." These illustrations still hang today in one of the West Wing corridors. The Administration of President Trump refurbished and improved the elegance of the West Wing Lobby.



CABINET ROOM

The large oval conference table that dominates the Cabinet Room was purchased by President Richard M. Nixon for this room in 1970. In 2004, the room was refurbished for the first time in 22 years under the direction of Mrs. Laura Bush. President Trump expanded the length of the Cabinet Room table to accommodate the growing Cabinet.



ROOSEVELT ROOM

It was first called the "Fish Room" because of the aquariums and fishing mementos displayed by President Franklin Roosevelt. The room was renamed by President Nixon to honor the contributions of both Roosevelts to the construction of the West Wing.



PRESS BRIEFING ROOM

The current Press Briefing Room was a swimming pool before President Richard Nixon ordered its conversion into a press room. The pool is still beneath the floor of the Press Briefing Room today.

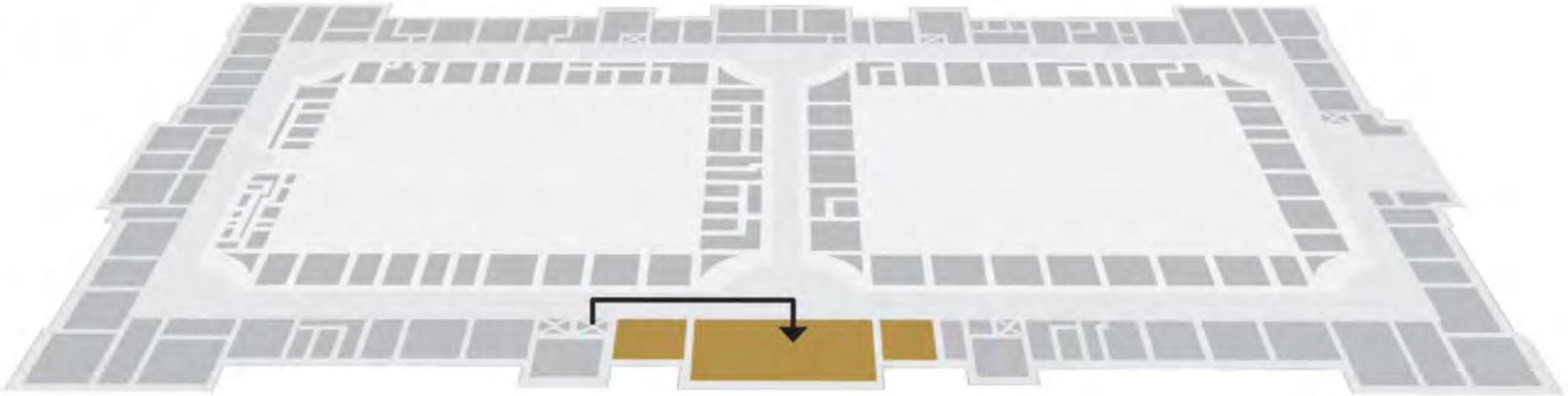
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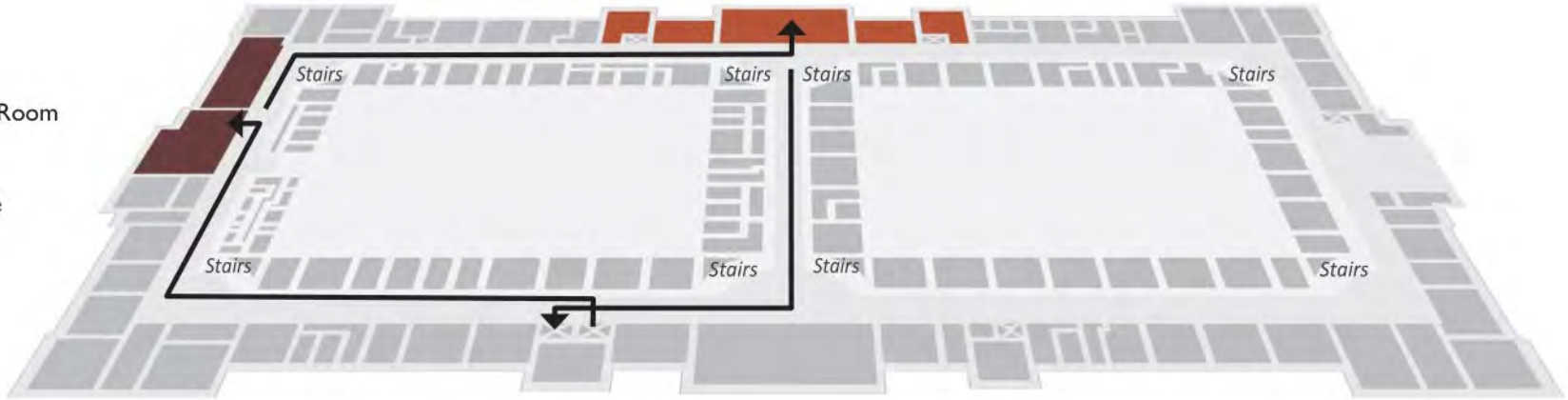
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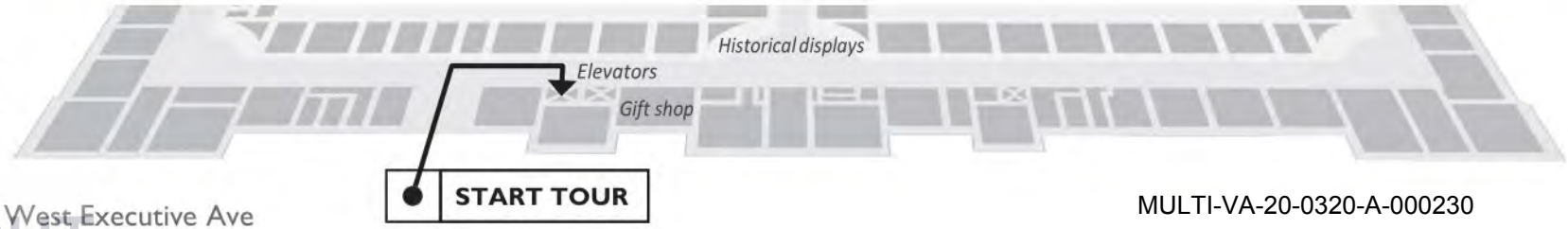
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THE CORDELL HULL ROOM & THE DIPLOMATIC RECEPTION ROOM

When the south wing of the State Department first opened in 1875, it had three spectacular rooms designed to be showplaces for the department. One of these was the office of the Secretary of State with three windows opening onto the south portico and a view of the Potomac River.

SECRETARY OF WAR SUITE

The Secretary of War Suite consists of ten rooms designed by Stephen Decatur Hatch, a prominent New York architect of the late 19th-century. Beginning in March of 1888, Secretary of War William Endicott occupied the suite. The suite would continue to be occupied by eighteen Secretaries of War until July 1939. Notable Secretaries of War include William Endicott, Elihu Root, William Howard Taft, and Henry Stimson.

INDIAN TREATY ROOM

The Indian Treaty Room is located on the east wing's fourth floor and was originally the Navy Department Library. It was designed by Richard Ezdorf and completed in 1880. The room does not resemble a library as we know it: the books were shelved in alcoves on two levels at each end adjacent to the main reading room. The Navy Department vacated the building between 1918 and 1921; the library was last to leave in 1923.

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In 1902, President Theodore Roosevelt had the architectural firm of McKim, Mead & White design and construct a "temporary" office building for the president and his staff to the west of the original White House. The new building replaced the expansive greenhouses, built in the Jefferson administration, which had occupied the area above the western colonnade and the surrounding west lawn.

Prior to the creation of the West Wing, office space for the President and his staff was located on the eastern end of the Second Floor of the Executive Mansion, with the President's private living quarters on the western end. This arrangement had proved quite problematic over the years, with visitors to the President and reporters often wandering into the private rooms. Many presidents, particularly those with large families like Theodore Roosevelt, also found the eastern end of the Second Floor to be too small for their needs, making the removal of the office spaces from this floor highly desirable.

The new one story building was erected quickly, with the demolition of the former greenhouses beginning in July 1902 and staff moving in by mid October. Many found the new quarters to be too spartan, especially in comparison with the neighboring mansion. The President's office, then known as the President's Room, was rectangular rather than oval in shape and was located in the southeast corner of the building. The Cabinet Room was located to the north of the President's Room. Although much larger than the office space in the mansion, the executive staff quickly outgrew the new space, and the building was expanded to the south in 1909, approximately doubling its size. The first "Oval Office," located in the center of the building's southern side, was created at this time for President William Howard Taft. The Cabinet Room was moved to the southeast corner.

Again, desiring additional office space, a basement level for the West Wing was excavated in the spring of 1929. Just six months later, the building caught fire on Christmas Eve, destroying almost all of the interiors. The building was reconstructed soon thereafter almost exactly as it had been prior to the fire, with the notable addition of air conditioning.

The West Wing was enlarged to its existing size in 1934 under President Franklin Delano Roosevelt when a "penthouse" story was added and

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a larger basement was excavated for staff and support services. The Oval Office and its 1909 white marble mantel were moved to its present southeast corner location while the Cabinet Room was returned to the northeast corner of the building. Remodeling during the Richard Nixon administration in 1969 added a porte-cochere to the north façade and moved the press from the lobby to an area in the West Terrace where the former indoor swimming pool had been.

THE ROSE GARDEN

The Rose Garden, nearly a century old, retains the charm and flavor of early American gardens. Located adjacent to the West Wing, the Rose Garden serves as a presidential reception area for everyone from foreign dignitaries to astronauts. Ellen Axson Wilson, first wife of Woodrow Wilson (1913–1921), planted the first rose garden in the manner of 17th century Italian gardens. Prior to 1902, the area contained extensive stables, housing various horses and coaches.

Beginning with the establishment of the garden in the early twentieth century the Rose Garden has been used for a wide array of events. President Woodrow Wilson met there with the press for informal questions. President Hoover began a tradition of welcoming and being photographed with prominent citizens there. Calvin Coolidge used the garden for making public announcements about policy and staffing decisions. President John F.Kennedy welcomed Project Mercury astronauts in the garden. Many presidential news conferences take place in the garden, as well as occasional White House dinners and ceremonies. The marriage of President Richard Nixon's daughter Tricia to Edward F. Cox took place in the Rose Garden in 1971. In recent years, joint news conferences with the president and a visiting head of state have been held in the Rose Garden. Presidents frequently host American Olympic and major league athletes in the Rose Garden after winning in their respective sport.

No significant changes were made to the garden until 1961, when it was redesigned by Rachel Lambert Mellon for President John F. Kennedy. Now, one of the most famous gardens in the world, it follows the plan of the most 18th century American gardens; framed with osmanthus and boxwood, the planting beds that are changed seasonally form the long lines of the rectangle.

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Ever since then, roses have served as the primary flowering plants in the garden, including large numbers of "Queen Elizabeth" grandiflora roses, along with the tea roses "Pascale", "Pat Nixon", and "King's Ransom". In something of a decidedly odd tradition, each and every summer sees garden gnomes taken and placed throughout the Rose Garden on July 1st–the number of which representing the number of living presidents at that particular moment in time.

THE CABINET ROOM

In 1902, President Theodore Roosevelt had the architectural firm of McKim, Mead & White design and construct an office building to the west of the original White House at the end of the colonnade built in the Jefferson administration. From the Second Floor of the Executive Mansion he then removed his office and Cabinet Room to new quarters in this "West Wing". The Cabinet Room was placed in the northeast corner and the President's Room, which was then a rectangular rather than an oval office, in the southeast corner.

In 1909, President William Howard Taft expanded the wing to the south, constructing the first "Oval Office" at the center of this addition, moving the Cabinet Room to the southeast corner.

In 1934, President Franklin D. Roosevelt moved the Oval Office to its present southeast corner location and returned the Cabinet Room to the northeast corner in a further-expanded West Wing. In each location, the Cabinet Room retained its original 1902 mantel. Architectural features of the new room included arched windows on the east wall and drapery swag panels on the north and south walls, a motif derived from classical antiquity that was used extensively on American Federal style furniture in the late 18th and early 19th centuries.

The large oval conference table that dominates the Cabinet Room was purchased by President Richard M. Nixon for this room in 1970 and later donated to the White House Office. It was made by the Kittinger Co. in Buffalo, New York. The leather armchairs that surround the table are derived from Queen Anne armchairs in the Council Chamber at Colonial Williamsburg. Cabinet members are assigned their own chairs, as designated on the plaques on the back of the chairs, and have the option of purchasing their chairs when they leave office. The taller chair at the east side of the table is occupied by the President.

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In 2004, the room was refurbished for the first time in 22 years under the direction of Mrs. Laura Bush. The wool rug by Edward Fields, Inc. of New York has bowed ends to reflect the curvature in the north and south walls, a red field spangled with gold stars, and a border composed of olive branches, the symbol of peace that appears in the Presidential Seal.

Six gold eagle-form sconces, created by Cox, Nostrand & Garrison, Inc., of Brooklyn, N.Y., for the room in 1930 when it was rebuilt after the 1929 fire, were re-installed; they were likely removed during the Kennedy refurbishing which added fluorescent lighting. The two bell-shaped dish lights contemporary with these patriotic Art Deco sconces did not survive the Kennedy administration changes, but three larger reproductions were commissioned from Gibson & Gibson Antique Lighting, Chula Vista, California.

WHITE HOUSE COLLECTION OBJECTS:

The Declaration of Independence of the United States of American, July 4, 1776
by Charles-Edouard Armand-Dumaresq
Oil on canvas, c. 1873. Over the fireplace mantel is depiction of the Second Continental Congress adopting the Declaration of Independence on July 4, 1776. Although inspired by John Trumbull's famous painting of that historical scene, it is not a copy of it.

George Washington **by Charles Willson Peale**
Oil on canvas, 1776. This is believed to be the artist's only replica of his 1776 portrait of Washington in dress uniform painted for John Hancock (now in the Brooklyn Museum of Art). The city of Boston can be seen in the distance, the siege and liberation of which, 1775-76, is commemorated as Washington's first great success.

President Harry S. Truman **by Frank O. Salisbury**
Oil on canvas, 1946. Frank O. Salisbury was a popular British artist who specialized in portraits and scenes of historical events. In addition to likenesses of British royalty, he also painted government leaders including Prime Minister Winston Churchill and Presidents Woodrow Wilson, Calvin Coolidge, Herbert Hoover, and Franklin D. Roosevelt. President Truman sat for Salisbury on several occasions in the fall of 1946, usually in a makeshift studio set up in the office of Press Secretary Charles Ross. The President, portrayed in the Oval Office, holds

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in his right hand a joint statement on the control and use of atomic energy, which was signed by Truman, British Prime Minister Clement Attlee, and Canadian Prime Minister Mackenzie King on November 15, 1945. In the background, at left, is a globe from his office, a gift from then General Dwight D. Eisenhower. On a tour of the Truman Library museum for museum docents on November 21, 1957, Truman said of his portrait: "I call that my stuffed shirt painting." Salisbury is represented in the White House collection by a 1947 replica of his 1934 portrait of President Franklin D. Roosevelt. [Courtesy the Harry S. Truman Library]. On loan from the Harry S. Truman Library, 2009.

THE OVAL OFFICE

When the West Wing was first constructed in 1902, the President's office, located in the southeast corner of the building, was rectangular. The first oval-shaped executive office, inspired by the oval rooms within the Executive Residence, was created in 1909 for President William Howard Taft as part of a building expansion. When the West Wing was renovated again in 1934, the Oval Office was moved from its original location in the center of the southern façade to its current location in the southeast corner.

Presidential Coat of Arms in Ceiling
The Presidential coat of arms in plaster relief in the ceiling was first added to the room during the 1934 renovation. In 1965, it was modified to add two state stars and to change the direction of the eagle's head towards its own right (towards the talon holding the olive branch), as dictated by President Truman's 1945 redefinition of the Presidential Seal.

"Resolute" Desk
This double pedestal desk was made from the oak timbers of the British ship H.M.S. Resolute as a gift to President Rutherford B. Hayes from Queen Victoria in 1880. It has been used by every president since Hayes, excepting Presidents Johnson, Nixon, and Ford, 1964-1977. President John F. Kennedy was the first president to use this desk in the Oval Office; prior to that time, it was used in the Executive Residence.

The desk was used in the President's Office on the Second Floor of the Residence from 1880 until 1902, at which time the office was moved to the newly constructed West Wing. This desk remained, however, on

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the Second Floor of the Residence in the President's Study. President Franklin D. Roosevelt requested that the rear kneehole be fitted with a panel carved with the presidential coat of arms, but he did not live to see it installed in 1945.

After the Truman Renovation of the White House, 1948-1952, the desk was placed in the Broadcast Room on the Ground Floor where it was used by President Dwight D. Eisenhower during radio and television broadcasts. It was first used in the Oval Office in 1961 at the request of President John F. Kennedy. After President Lyndon B. Johnson selected another desk for his office, it was lent to a Kennedy Library traveling exhibition, 1964-1965, and then to the Smithsonian Institution for exhibition, 1966-1977.

In January 1977, President Jimmy Carter requested that this historic desk be returned to the White House for use again in the Oval Office. In 1981, President Ronald W. Reagan also chose to use this desk in the Oval Office. President George Bush used it in the Oval Office for five months in 1989 before having it moved to his Residence Office in exchange for a partner's desk which he had used in his West Wing office as Vice President.

This historic desk, returned to the Oval Office for President Bill Clinton, was also used by Presidents George W. Bush and Barack Obama, and has been retained by President Donald Trump.

A brass plaque affixed to the desk records the history of its creation: H.M.S. "Resolute," forming part of the expedition sent in search of Sir John Franklin in 1852, was abandoned in Latitude 74 41' N. Longitude 101 22' W. on 15th May 1854. She was discovered and extricated in September 1855, in Latitude 67 N. by Captain Buddington of the United States Whaler "George Henry." The ship was purchased,fitted out and sent to England, as a gift to Her Majesty Queen Victoria by the President and People of the United States, as a token of goodwill & friendship. This table was made from her timbers when she was broken up, and is presented by the Queen ofGreat Britain & Ireland, to the President of the United States, as a memorial of the courtesy and loving kindness which dictated the offer of the gift of the "Resolute."

Rug

The current rug was custom-made for the Oval Office by KMM Corporation in Lewiston, Maine for President Ronald Reagan in 1988. President Donald Trump requested that this rug be returned when he

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assumed office. Every president since Reagan has commissioned a new rug for the Oval Office, although prior to this time, rugs were used for multiple administrations. Oval Office rugs remain part of the White House collection and do not leave with the President who selected them. The rug features the Presidential coat of arms on a golden beige and ivory field of rays derived from early-19th-century French rugs.

Architectural features of the present Oval Office, as designed by Eric Gugler in 1934, include: the Presidential coat of arms in plaster relief in the ceiling (as modified in 1965 to add two state stars and to reflect President Truman's 1945 redefinition of the seal); the doors to the veranda and study, each with a pediment above a horizontal fasces, the classical symbol of the governing authority; and the window and shelf niches with shell canopies modeled after those in the Yellow Oval Room in the Residence.

The current floor of walnut and white oak was installed in August 2005, replacing an identical floor laid in 1982. The 1982 floor was the first time hardwood had been used in the Oval Office: the original (1934) flooring in this room was made of cork, which was covered with wood-grain vinyl in 1969 during the Nixon administration.

WHITE HOUSE COLLECTION OBJECTS:

***Alexander Hamilton* by John Trumbull**
Oil on canvas, c. 1805. Trumbull was best known for portraits of America's founding fathers and scenes of the American Revolution. Alexander Hamilton was the first Secretary of the Treasury during George Washington's presidency. This is one of eight replicas made by the artist from an original likeness painted in 1804 for the City Hall of New York.

***Martin Luther King, Jr.* by Charles Alston**
Bronze, 1970. Dr. King visited the White House on several occasions and was on hand to see President Lyndon Johnson sign the Civil Rights Act of 1964 in the East Room. An influential teacher, Charles Alston was a founding member of the Harlem Arts Workshop in 1934.

***George Washington* by Rembrandt Peale**
Oil on panel, c. 1823. The painting hanging above the mantel is believed to be based on an 1823 portrait, also by Rembrandt Peale, on display in the Old Senate Chamber of the United States Capitol. From it, Peale

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painted 79 similar "porthole" portraits, some showing Washington in civilian dress and others showing him in uniform.

***Thomas Jefferson* by George P.A. Healy**
Oil on canvas, c. 1842-1860. This likeness, based on a c. 1810 life portrait by Gilbert Stuart, is part of series of presidential portraits commissioned in 1842 by French King Louis Philippe for the gallery at Versailles. The series was never delivered and was eventually acquired for the Corcoran Gallery of Art.

On loan from the National Gallery of Art, formerly the Corcoran Gallery of Art Collection, 1981.

***Winston Churchill* by Sir Jacob Epstein**
Bronze, 1946. In the 1940s, the British Ministry of Information commissioned six busts and statues of wartime leaders, the most notable being the 1946 bust of Winston Churchill. Churchill, as Prime Minister of Great Britain, stayed in the White House several times during World War II.

On loan from the United Kingdom Government Art Collection, 2017.

***Thomas Jefferson* by Rembrandt Peale**
Oil on canvas, 1800. This life portrait of Jefferson as Vice President was painted in Philadelphia less than a year before he assumed the presidency. It became the prototype for many American and European engravings and the most popular 19th century image of Jefferson.

***Abraham Lincoln* by Augustus Saint-Gaudens**
Bronze, c. 1923. In 1884, the sculptor was chosen to create a bronze statue of Lincoln for Chicago's Lincoln Park. The standing figure, with head slightly bent down, was considered one of the most successful and expressive likenesses, and was later recast on a smaller scale. Around 1923, several bust-size versions were made, of which this is example.

***Andrew Jackson* by Clark Mills**
White metal, 1855. On January 8, 1853, the 38th anniversary of the British defeat at New Orleans, an important sculpture of Major General Andrew Jackson was unveiled in the center of Lafayette Park with President Franklin Pierce in attendance. The statue was the first life-size bronze equestrian statue cast in the United States. This miniature version was purchased by the government in 1859 for the White House.

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***Andrew Jackson* by Ralph E.W. Earl**
Oil on canvas, c. 1835. The artist was related by marriage to Andrew Jackson's wife, Rachel. Earl painted many portraits of President Jackson as well as other members of the family. Earl's portrait of Emily Donelson, who served as official hostess during the Jackson Administration, hangs in the Queens' Bedroom. Earl spent a great deal of time at the Jackson White House and used what is now the Queens' Bedroom, as a bedroom and studio. He is buried at the Hermitage, Jackson's home outside of Nashville, Tennessee.

***The Bronco Buster* by Frederic Remington**
Bronze c. 1903. This popular western bronze has been on view in the Oval Office since it was given to the White House collection in 1973. The original design, copyrighted in 1895, was Remington's first work of sculpture.

***Theodore Roosevelt* by James Earle Fraser**
Bronze, c. 1910. Theodore Roosevelt is portrayed in the neckerchief and uniform jacket worn when he was a Rough Rider (1st Cavalry Volunteers) in the Spanish-American War. The sculptor is best known for poignant Indian figure, The End of the Trail, and for his design of the buffalo nickel.

***Abraham Lincoln* by George Henry Story**
Oil on canvas, c. 1915. This likeness is based on sketches Story made of President Lincoln in his White House office (now the Lincoln Bedroom) in June 1861.

THE ROOSEVELT ROOM

When the West Wing was constructed in 1902, the site of this room was the southeast corner of the building occupied by the President's office and anteroom. When the Wing was expanded to the south in 1909, the space became parts of two waiting rooms. When the Wing was expanded to the east in 1934, it assumed its present function as a centrally located conference room across the corridor from the repositioned Oval Office. It retained the painted wooden mantel which had been in the 1902 President's Room and was equipped with a skylight lit from a shaft passing through the Wing's new second floor.

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As a conference room, it was first called the "Fish Room" because of the aquariums and fishing mementos displayed by President Franklin D. Roosevelt. The tradition of this name was revived in the early 1960s when President John F. Kennedy hung a large mounted sailfish which he had caught in Acapulco.

The room was renamed the "Roosevelt Room" by President Richard Nixon in 1969 to honor the contributions of Theodore Roosevelt in erecting the West Wing and of Franklin D. Roosevelt in enlarging the Wing to its present size.

WHITE HOUSE COLLECTION OBJECTS:

***Theodore Roosevelt* by James Earle Fraser**
Bronze-patinated metal plaque, c. 1920. The sculptor best known for his Indian figure, The End of the Trail, and his design of the buffalo nickel. It includes a quotation attributed to Roosevelt–"Aggressive fighting for the right is the noblest sport the world affords." The plaque was acquired by the General Services Administration in 1969.

***Franklin D. Roosevelt* by John DeStefano**
Bronze, c. 1933. The profile bust portrait is surmounted by a spread-winged eagle and flanked by fasces, the Roman symbol of authority. The title panel includes a quotation from the Roman statesman Seneca–"I shall hold my rudder true."

On loan from the Franklin D. Roosevelt Library, 1969.

***Crossing the River Platte* by Worthington Whittredge**
Oil on canvas, c. 1871. Whittredge accompanied the 1865-66 General John Pope expedition, traveling across the Plains along the Platte River and Rocky Mountains from Kansas to New Mexico. Later in his New York studio, he painted this scene from sketches made during his travels showing Indians fording the river in what is now eastern Colorado.

***Franklin D. Roosevelt* by Alfred Jonniaux**
Oil on canvas, 1958. This posthumous likeness of Franklin Roosevelt was commissioned by his close friend and law partner, Basil "Doc" O'Connor, who helped Roosevelt establish the Georgia Warm Springs Foundation and the National Foundation for Infantile Paralysis (now called the March of Dimes Foundation). It has been on loan from the Franklin D. Roosevelt Library since 1978.

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***Eleanor Roosevelt* by Alva Museum Reproductions, after Victor Lamkay**
Composite stone, bronze patina, wood base, c. 1993. The original work was sculpted in 1962 and 1963. Sculptor Victor Lamkay had hoped to get permission for sittings with Mrs. Roosevelt, but she died before he could do so. From photographs, the artist was able to complete the bronze, now in the Franklin D. Roosevelt Library.

***Theodore Roosevelt* by Tade Styka**
Oil on canvas, 1909. Roosevelt is depicted in a tan uniform, possibly his Rough Rider outfit. This likeness is thought to have been painted from sittings in the artist's studio near Paris during Roosevelt's post-presidential tour of Europe, 1909.

***View of the City of Washington from the Virginia Shore* by William MacLeod**
Oil on canvas, 1856. The artist, who appears in the lower right foreground, painted this view of Washington from across the Potomac River near his native Alexandria, Virginia. Visible in the background are the unfinished Washington Monument, at the left; the U.S. Capitol with the earlier Bulfinch dome, at center; and the Washington Navy Yard, at the right.

***Our Vanishing Wildlife* by Alexander Pope**
Bronze, c. 1915-24. This sculpture of a bison battling three wolves was displayed by the artist at the Panama-Pacific Exposition in San Francisco in 1915 at which it was judged one of the best sculptures.

Nobel Peace Prize Medal
The medal was awarded to President Theodore Roosevelt in 1906 for his mediation of the Russo-Japanese War peace settlement. The first Nobel prize awarded to an American, it was a gift to the White House from the Theodore Roosevelt Association and presented to President Ronald Reagan in 1982 in the Roosevelt Room on the 125th anniversary of Theodore Roosevelt's birth.

Medal of Honor
Awarded posthumously to Theodore Roosevelt, January 16, 2001 to honor his heroism in the Spanish-American War, 1898. The medal was presented to President George W. Bush for the White House collection by Roosevelt family in ceremony held in the Roosevelt Room, September 16, 2002.

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Mantel Clock made by the Chelsea Clock Co., Boston Brass and pine, mid-20th century.
The circular brass ship's clock is set in a wooden frame.

THE WEST WING RECEPTION ROOM

When the West Wing was erected in 1902, a rectangular lobby was placed at the center of the north side of the building, opening directly to the driveway beneath a small porch. When the wing was expanded in 1909, it remained unchanged, while two adjacent rooms were converted into additional waiting rooms. In 1929, the Congressional Waiting Room became an office, while the General Waiting Room was absorbed into an enlarged T-shaped Lobby.

In 1934, when the President's Oval Office and the Cabinet Room were moved into the eastern extension of the West Wing, a new lobby was created at the center of the building with access through a narrow foyer leading to the north doorway. The somewhat informal character of this new lobby, which was a waiting room for both distinguished visitors and the press alike, was captured by artist Norman Rockwell in a four-panel illustration entitled, So You Want to See the President, drawn for the November 13, 1943 issue of the Saturday Evening Post.

With the construction of new press facilities in the West Terrace in 1970, the lobby was renovated to provide a smaller, more intimate reception room. The southern half of the room was walled off, becoming two staff offices entered from the south corridor.

WHITE HOUSE COLLECTION OBJECTS:

***The First Naval Action in the War of 1812* by William John Huggins**
Oil on canvas, 1816. This large maritime painting depicts the naval division of Commodore John Rodgers pursuing the British frigate H.M.S. Belvidera, five days after the United States had declared war on Great Britain in 1812. It is probably based on a sketch made by James Stilwell, an officer on the Belvidera.

***Rutland Falls, Vermont* by Frederic E. Church**
Oil on canvas, 1848. Considered part of the second generation of the Hudson River School, Church was a major 19th-century American landscape painter best known for [illegible] in

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North and South America. His landscapes were somewhat idealized with every aspect of nature depicted in great detail. A special emphasis was placed on light and cloud effects, often with very dramatic results.

***Shinnecock Hills, Long Island* by William Merritt Chase**
Oil on panel, 1900. Chase taught a successful summer art school at Shinnecock on the eastern end of Long Island, 1891-1902. Considered amongst his finest works are the paintings of the coastal landscape around his house and studio (designed by Stanford White), of which this is one.

***James Monroe* by Adrian Lamb, after Gilbert Stuart**
Oil on canvas, 1975. This likeness is a copy of a c. 1818-20 Gilbert Stuart portrait, now in the collection of the Metropolitan Museum of Art in New York.

***Emigrant Scene* attributed to William Henry Powell**
Oil on canvas, c. 1837. Powell found success as a portraitist and later as a painter of historical subjects. In 1847, he was selected to create the last painting for the U.S. Capitol Rotunda, replacing his former teacher, Henry Inman, who had died suddenly in 1846. Perhaps Powell's best known painting, this mammoth work entitled, Discovery of the Mississippi by De Soto, portrayed the Spanish explorer's arrival on May 8, 1541.

***Donner Lake from the Summit* by Edwin Deakin**
Oil on canvas, 1876. This panoramic view features Donner Lake, located in northeast California on the eastern edge of the Sierra Nevada mountain range. Deakin, an English-born artist, came to California in 1870 and established a studio in the San Francisco area, where he resided for the remainder of his life. He was best known for views of California's Spanish-era missions, Chinatown, and the aftermath of the 1906 earthquake.

***Vernal Falls, Yosemite* by Thomas Hill**
***Nevada Falls, Yosemite* by Thomas Hill,**
Oil on canvas, 1889. This pair of scenic paintings was created by Thomas Hill, an artist best known for his views of Yosemite Valley. Hill moved permanently to California in 1871, and in the 1880s, established a studio in Yosemite that today serves as the National Park Service visitor center.

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***Cannonading on the Potomac, October, 1861* by Alfred Wordsworth Thompson**
Oil on canvas, c. 1868-70. Thompson painted this American Civil War scene from sketches made of the Battle of Ball's Bluff, on the Potomac River near Leesburg, Virginia, on October 21, 1861. On the reverse side of the canvas is an inscription: "...Col. E[dward]. D. Baker, Commanding, was killed in this action." A U.S. Senator from Oregon, Baker was a longtime friend of Abraham Lincoln; the president's second son was his namesake. Among those wounded in this battle, a tactical blunder for the routed Federal troops, was Oliver Wendell Holmes, Jr., later a justice of the U.S. Supreme Court.

Bookcase
Mahogany, c. 1770, English. The bookcase holds bound copies of presidential documents.

THE PRESS BRIEFING ROOM

The current Press Room did not exist until President Richard Nixon converted the indoor swimming pool to the present day space. The indoor swimming pool, which still exists below the Press Room floor, was installed during President Franklin D. Roosevelt's administration in 1933 placed between the White House and the West Wing.

President Nixon started the conversion of the space into a lounge and press offices that could also serve as a press briefing room starting in 1969. Since 1970, the White House press corps have gathered in this space to listen to briefings and reports presented by the press secretary. The space was last updated in 2005 by President George W. Bush.

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The Eisenhower Executive Office Building (EEOB) is located next to the West Wing, and houses a majority of offices for White House staff. Originally built for the State, War, and Navy Departments between 1871 and 1888, the EEOB is an impressive building that commands a unique position in both our national history and architectural heritage.

Designed by Supervising Architect of the Treasury Alfred Mullett, the granite, slate, and cast iron exterior makes the EEOB one of America's best examples of the French Second Empire style of architecture. Construction took 17 years as the building slowly rose wing by wing. The EEOB was finished in 1888 and was the largest office building in Washington with nearly 2 miles of black and white tiled corridors.

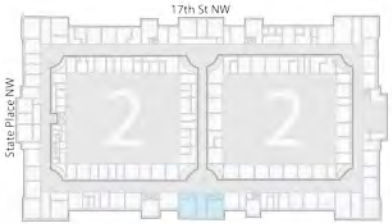
The Navy Department left in 1918 (except for the Secretary who stayed until 1921), followed by the War Department in 1938, and finally by the State Department in 1947. The White House began to move some of its offices across West Executive Avenue in 1939, and in 1949 the building was turned over to the Executive Office of the President and renamed the Executive Office Building. The building was designated a National Historic Landmark in 1969. The building continues to house various agencies that comprise the Executive Office of the President, such as the White House Office, the Office of the Vice President, the Office of Management and Budget, and the National Security Council.



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The Vice President's Ceremonial Office



The current Vice President's Ceremonial Office was originally used as the Secretary of Navy's office from 1879 to 1923. From 1923 to 1947, General John Pershing occupied the office initially as the Army Chief of Staff then as the Chairman of the Battle and Monuments Commission, becoming the longest single occupant of this room (24 years). Additionally, President Hoover used the office for three months following a Christmas Eve fire in the West Wing in 1929.

Since 1960 it has been used as the Vice President's Ceremonial Office with the exception of Vice President Hubert Humphrey, because Lyndon Johnson did not give up the office when he became President after the Kennedy assassination.

The current desk is part of the White House collection, and was commissioned to be built for Theodore Roosevelt's use in the Oval Office. Several important figures have used the desk including Presidents Taft, Wilson, Harding, Coolidge, and for a few months, Hoover. The desk was placed in storage early on during Herbert Hoover's Presidency where it remained until 1945 when President Truman then used it. Vice President Johnson and all subsequent Vice Presidents (except Hubert Humphrey) have used the desk. Since the 1940s, various users have signed the inside of the top drawer.



The top drawer has been signed by Vice Presidents Cheney, Gore, Quayle, Mondale, and Rockefeller; and Presidents Truman and Eisenhower.





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Secretary of War Suite



The Secretary of War Suite consists of ten rooms designed by Stephen Decatur Hatch, a prominent New York architect of the late 19th-century. Beginning in March of 1888, Secretary of War William Endicott occupied the suite. The suite would continue on to be occupied by 18 Secretaries of War until July 1939. Notable Secretaries of War included William Endicott, Elihu Root, William Howard Taft, and Henry Stimson.



History made in these rooms included the development, review, and acceptance of all plans of defense for our nation and our armed forces in times of conflict as well as in times of peace between 1888 and 1939. The War Department moved from the building between 1938–39. The Bureau of the Budget, newly established by Franklin Roosevelt's administration, immediately took possession of these rooms.

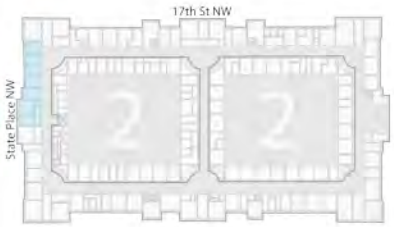
Another event of interest occurred in 1908, while in his office in what is now EEOB 230B, Secretary of War Taft received word by telephone that the Republican convention in Chicago had nominated him for the presidency.





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The Cordell Hull Room & the Diplomatic Reception Room



When the south wing of the State Department first opened in 1875, it had three spectacular rooms designed to be showplaces for the department. One of these was the office of the Secretary of State located at the center of the second floor with three windows opening onto the south portico and a view of the Potomac River. The other two rooms included the State Department Library (now the EOP Library) and the Diplomatic Reception Room (room 212, pictured upper right).

A total of 24 men served 25 terms as Secretary of State (James G. Blaine served as Secretary of State for two terms—the first term March 1881 to December 1881, and the second term March 1889 to June 1892) in the EEOB. Hamilton Fish was the first Secretary of State to serve in this office, from July 1875 to March 1877. He and his staff moved into the building before the wing was fully completed in December 1875.

Many important events have occurred in these rooms. In 1898, Secretary of State John Hay handed the Spanish ambassador his credentials and passport, thus signifying our declaration of war against Spain. During his term, Hay supported an American imperialist solution to the Spanish-American War, helped formulate the "Open Door" policy in China, arranged treaties to facilitate the building of the Panama Canal, and worked with President Roosevelt in settling the Russo-Japanese War.

On Sunday morning, December 7, 1941, Secretary of State Cordell Hull was in his office (pictured lower right) meeting with his aides and discussing the volatile situation in the Far East. The meeting was interrupted when intercepted messages between Japanese Foreign Minister Togo and Japanese Ambassadors to the US were delivered to Secretary Hull's office. After receiving a phone call from President Roosevelt informing him of a Japanese attack on Pearl Harbor, Secretary Hull met with the Japanese Ambassador. The next day, Congress declared war on Japan. Later, in 1942, the United Nations Declaration was drafted and signed in this room.

George Catlett Marshall was the last Secretary of State to serve in this office. Marshall oversaw the move of the Department of State staff from the EEOB to their new offices in Foggy Bottom, in the old War Department building, which was mostly complete by May 1947.

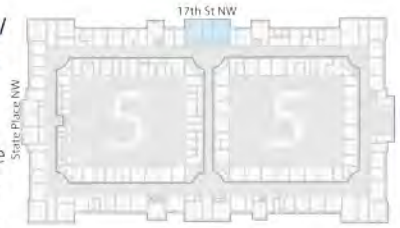




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The War Library / The Law Library



Originally designated as the War Department Library, the room was designed by Austrian-born Richard Ezdorf, a draftsman for the Supervising Architect of the Treasury, and completed in 1887. Ezdorf selected an eclectic mix of the French Renaissance, Classical, and Gothic Revival styles. Mixing elements of these styles was very popular in the late 19th-century and became characteristic of the high Victorian style.

The War Department's library collection included books, charts, maps, and photographs. This includes photographs and their negatives taken by Mathew Brady during the Civil War, which were acquired by the War Department in 1875 for $25,000 when financial difficulties forced Brady to sell them. The U.S. Signal Corps became responsible for the library in 1894, and the War Department occupied the space until 1938 when they vacated the building.

Between 1938 and 1970, the library was used for storage. In 1970, the library was renovated for use as a conference room. The library is currently used to house the Law Library for the Executive Office of the President.



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Indian Treaty Room



The Indian Treaty Room is located on the east wing's fourth floor and was originally the Navy Department Library. It was designed by Richard Ezdorf and was completed in 1880. The room does not resemble a library as we know it; the books were shelved in alcoves on two levels at each end adjacent to the main reading room. The Navy Department vacated the building between 1918 and 1921, with the library last to leave in 1923.

The Indian Treaty Room was later used for presidential press conferences from 1950 until 1961. President Eisenhower held the first televised presidential press conference in this room on January 19, 1955. Phone booths were located just outside the door to accommodate the press needing to call in their stories for late breaking news.

The room's designation as the "Indian Treaty Room" is one of the building's most interesting mysteries. It is not known how the room inherited its name despite considerable research. Its first mention in the press was in 1954, and many recall the days between 1923 and 1942 when the State Department used the room as storage space, and perhaps someone thought that treaties with Native American tribes were stored in the room.





Peace Through War



Liberty



Industry



Science

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East Rotunda

Located on the West Executive Avenue, center corridor side of the EEOB, the East Rotunda was designed for the Department of Navy by Richard Ezdorf, chief draftsman for the Supervising Architect of the Treasury; completed in 1879.



West Rotunda

Located on the 17th Street, center corridor side of the EEOB, the West Rotunda was designed for the Department of War by Richard Ezdorf, chief draftsman for the Supervising Architect of the Treasury; completed in 1888.



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Truman Bowling Alley

On April 19, 1947, President Harry Truman was presented with the gift of two bowling lanes in the basement of the Executive Offices (today's West Wing where the Situation Room is presently located). The lanes came with an automatic pinsetter, which had been successfully introduced the year before at the 1946 American Bowling Congress (ABC) Tournament by AMF. In 1953, President Truman gave the lanes to the employees of the White House and the bowling alley first opened. In 1955, the lanes were moved from the West Wing's basement to the EEOB's basement.

President Richard Nixon was the most avid of the presidential bowlers, spending as many as four hours at a time rolling games.







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From: Bossie, Darren J.
Sent: Fri, 30 Aug 2019 15:48:03 +0000
To: (b)(6) @usna.edu
Subject: FW: West Wing Tour Request
Attachments: West Wing Tour Guidelines and Maps.pdf, West Wing and EEOB Historical Guides.pdf

Good morning Midshipmen (b)(6)

Thank you for your interest in touring the West Wing of the White House. Please submit your background information to the United States Secret Service as soon as possible. The link is highlighted below. The tour will be on Saturday, September 28th at 245pm. The tour group will include myself, as well as 4 other Midshipmen from the United States Naval Academy.

Attached, please find material provided by the White House related to your upcoming tour. After reviewing the attached information, please let me know if you have any questions or concerns.

Thank you for your service to this country! Enjoy the tour!

Darren Bossie
White House Liaison
Office of the Secretary
Department of Veterans Affairs
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From: (b)(6) EOP/WHO (b)(6) @who.eop.gov>
Sent: Thursday, August 29, 2019 10:46 AM
To: Bossie, Darren J. <(b)(6) va.gov>
Subject: [EXTERNAL] FW: West Wing Tour Request

West wing tour for the midshipmen

From: White House Management Office <(b)(6) @eop.gov>
Sent: Thursday, August 29, 2019 10:44 AM
To: (b)(6) EOP/WHO <(b)(6) @who.eop.gov>
Subject: West Wing Tour Request

Hello,

(b)(6) s scheduled to guide the following tour on Saturday, September 28, 2019 at 02:45 PM for 6 guests.

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Please share the attached West Wing Tour Guidelines with your guest(s). As a reminder, all guests should wear clothing appropriate to the nature of the West Wing. While photography is allowed outside the West Wing and inside the Press Briefing Room, photography is strictly prohibited inside the West Wing and in the Rose Garden.

Staff are responsible for submitting their guests' WAVES. Guests must submit their WAVES information at this link: RSVP Link. To manage your RSVPs please visit the Appointment Center.

Tour guests are authorized to enter the EEOB and West Wing only. West Wing tour guests are not allowed on the White House tour route. White House tours must be booked separately on the White House Staff Portal. Failure to comply with these guidelines may result in the revocation of West Wing tour privileges.

If you need to cancel your tour, change the tour guide, or reduce the number of scheduled guests, please click here. Failure to cancel a tour may result in reduced tour privileges.

Thank you,

White House Management Office

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WEST WING TOUR GUIDELINES

IDENTIFICATION

All guests 18 years of age or older will be required to present a valid, government-issued photo identification (detailed below). All foreign nationals must present their passport, regardless of age. All other forms of foreign identification will not be accepted.

- Valid government-issued United States identification card (e.g. drivers license, military ID).
- Valid United States or other official government-issued passports.

All information submitted (e.g. name, date of birth, city, etc.) must exactly match the government-issued photo ID presented when arriving at the White House. No other forms of identification will be accepted; photocopies, expired IDs, or other transmissions of these documents are NOT valid.

PROHIBITED ITEMS

The following items are prohibited:

- Any pointed objects, including pocket knives.
- Food or beverages, tobacco products, and personal grooming items (i.e. makeup, lotion, etc.).
- Aerosol containers.
- Guns, ammunition, fireworks, electric stun guns, mace, martial arts weapons/devices, and knives of any size.

PERMITTED ITEMS

Umbrellas, wallet, cell phones, and car keys are permitted. However, guests will not be allowed to use cell phones inside the White House.

All items needed for medical purposes will be permitted on the tour (e.g. wheelchairs, electric scooters, glucose tablets, EpiPens, etc.).

PARKING AND TRANSPORTATION

Limited street parking is available on New York Avenue and use of public transportation is strongly encouraged. The closest metro stops to the entrance are Farragut North and Farragut West.

OTHER INFORMATION

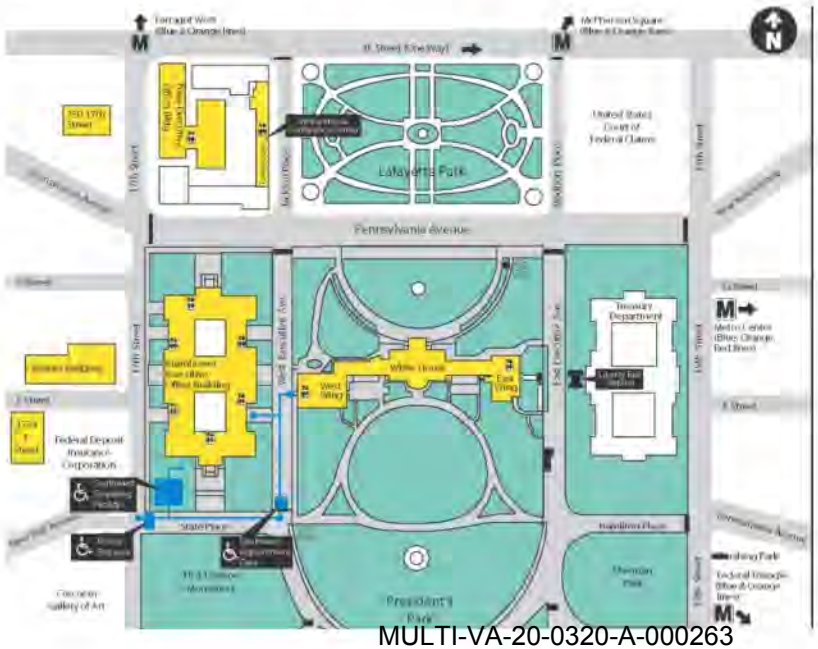
Please consider the following during your preparations:

- Guests, including children, should wear clothing appropriate for the nature of the West Wing – business or business casual. **Jeans and shorts are not allowed**.
- Guests will be standing outside when waiting in line.
- Photography is permitted when outside of the West Wing (except the Rose Garden) or in the Press Briefing Room. Photography is prohibited while inside of the West Wing.
- If needed, guests that require use of a wheelchair will be provided with one at the entrance.
- Tour guides must stay with their guests for the entire duration of the tour.

WEST WING TOUR GUEST ENTRANCE

The guest entrance is located at the corner of 17th and State Place NW

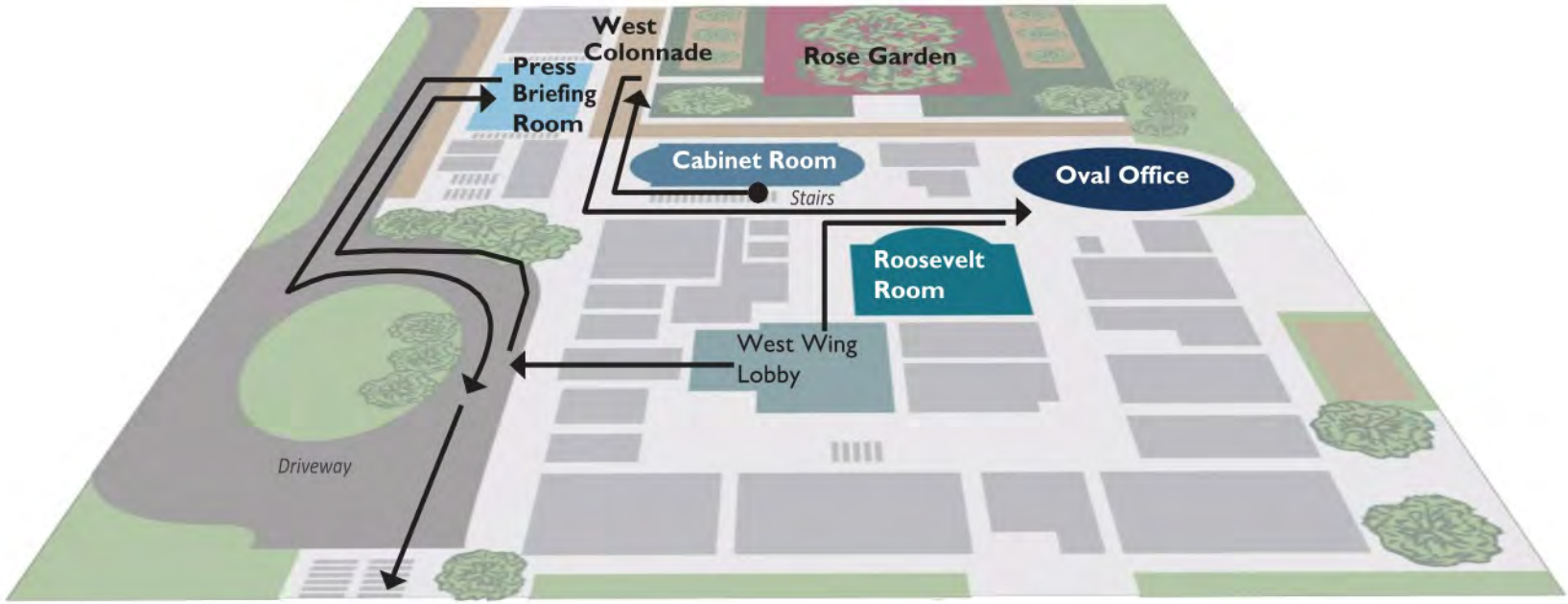
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NAVY MESS

Since 1880, the Navy has assigned their best Culinary Specialists to prepare the finest foods and to provide outstanding service for the President throughout the world.



OVAL OFFICE

The Oval Office was moved from its original location in the center of the southern façade to its current location in the southeast corner. Highlights include the Presidential coat of arms in the ceiling and the Resolute Desk. President Trump enjoys the use of President Reagan's Oval Office rug.



WEST WING LOBBY

The West Wing Lobby serves as a greeting and waiting space for distinguished guests and the press. Today, the Lobby is much smaller than it was during the 1930s, when reporters awaited updates from the President. The lobby was captured best by artist Norman Rockwell in his illustrations entitled, "So You Want to See the President." These illustrations still hang today in one of the West Wing corridors. The Administration of President Trump refurbished and improved the elegance of the West Wing Lobby.



CABINET ROOM

The large oval conference table that dominates the Cabinet Room was purchased by President Richard M. Nixon for this room in 1970. In 2004, the room was refurbished for the first time in 22 years under the direction of Mrs. Laura Bush. President Trump expanded the length of the Cabinet Room table to accommodate the growing Cabinet.



ROOSEVELT ROOM

It was first called the "Fish Room" because of the aquariums and fishing mementos displayed by President Franklin Roosevelt. The room was renamed by President Nixon to honor the contributions of both Roosevelts to the construction of the West Wing.



PRESS BRIEFING ROOM

The current Press Briefing Room was a swimming pool before President Richard Nixon ordered its conversion into a press room. The pool is still beneath the floor of the Press Briefing Room today.

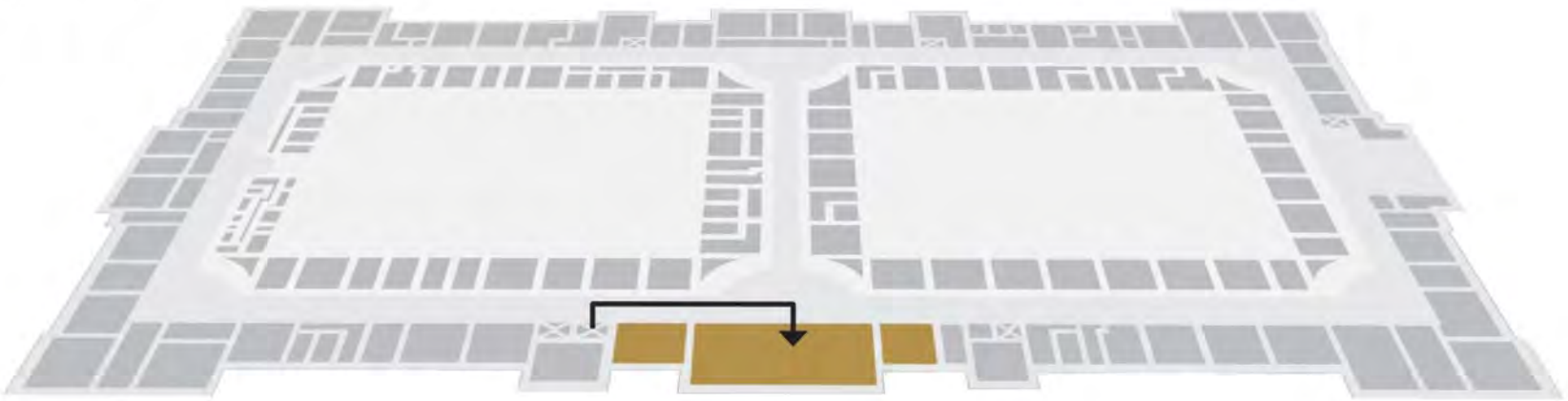
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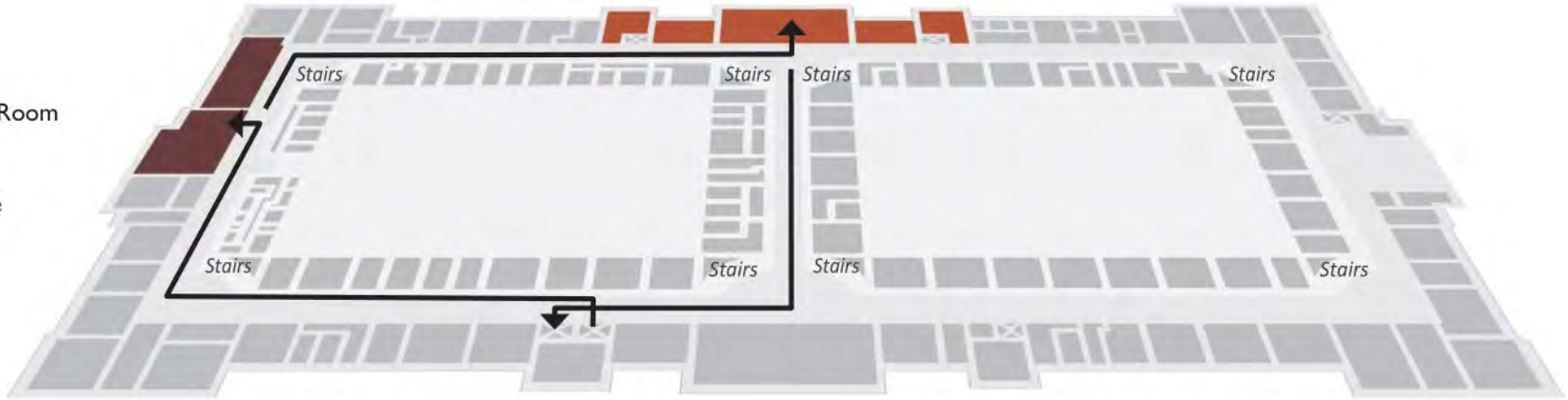
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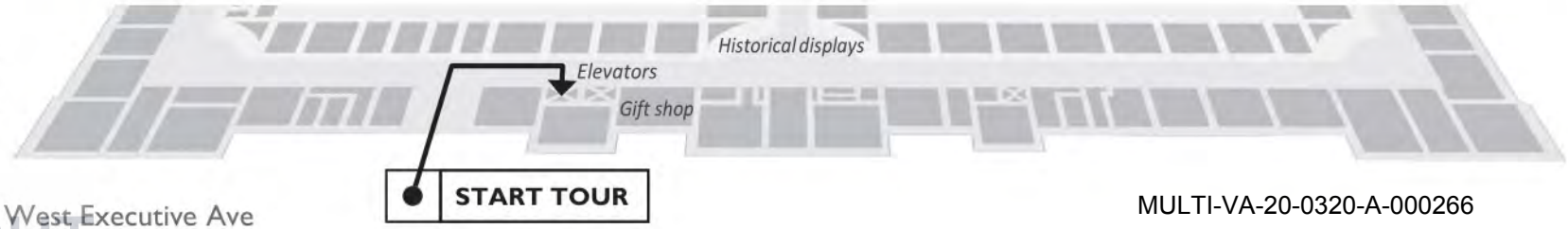
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- Secretary of War Suite
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THE CORDELL HULL ROOM & THE DIPLOMATIC RECEPTION ROOM

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A BRIEF HISTORY OF THE WEST WING

In 1902, President Theodore Roosevelt had the architectural firm of McKim, Mead & White design and construct a "temporary" office building for the president and his staff to the west of the original White House. The new building replaced the expansive greenhouses, built in the Jefferson administration, which had occupied the area above the western colonnade and the surrounding west lawn.

Prior to the creation of the West Wing, office space for the President and his staff was located on the eastern end of the Second Floor of the Executive Mansion, with the President's private living quarters on the western end. This arrangement had proved quite problematic over the years, with visitors to the President and reporters often wandering into the private rooms. Many presidents, particularly those with large families like Theodore Roosevelt, also found the eastern end of the Second Floor to be too small for their needs, making the removal of the office spaces from this floor highly desirable.

The new one story building was erected quickly, with the demolition of the former greenhouses beginning in July 1902 and staff moving in by mid October. Many found the new quarters to be too spartan, especially in comparison with the neighboring mansion. The President's office, then known as the President's Room, was rectangular rather than oval in shape and was located in the southeast corner of the building. The Cabinet Room was located to the north of the President's Room. Although much larger than the office space in the mansion, the executive staff quickly outgrew the new space, and the building was expanded to the south in 1909, approximately doubling its size. The first "Oval Office," located in the center of the building's southern side, was created at this time for President William Howard Taft. The Cabinet Room was moved to the southeast corner.

Again, desiring additional office space, a basement level for the West Wing was excavated in the spring of 1929. Just six months later, the building caught fire on Christmas Eve, destroying almost all of the interiors. The building was reconstructed soon thereafter almost exactly as it had been prior to the fire, with the notable addition of air conditioning.

The West Wing was enlarged to its existing size in 1934 under President Franklin Delano Roosevelt when a "penthouse" story was added and

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a larger basement was excavated for staff and support services. The Oval Office and its 1909 white marble mantel were moved to its present southeast corner location while the Cabinet Room was returned to the northeast corner of the building. Remodeling during the Richard Nixon administration in 1969 added a porte-cochere to the north façade and moved the press from the lobby to an area in the West Terrace where the former indoor swimming pool had been.

THE ROSE GARDEN

The Rose Garden, nearly a century old, retains the charm and flavor of early American gardens. Located adjacent to the West Wing, the Rose Garden serves as a presidential reception area for everyone from foreign dignitaries to astronauts. Ellen Axson Wilson, first wife of Woodrow Wilson (1913–1921), planted the first rose garden in the manner of 17th century Italian gardens. Prior to 1902, the area contained extensive stables, housing various horses and coaches.

Beginning with the establishment of the garden in the early twentieth century the Rose Garden has been used for a wide array of events. President Woodrow Wilson met there with the press for informal questions. President Hoover began a tradition of welcoming and being photographed with prominent citizens there. Calvin Coolidge used the garden for making public announcements about policy and staffing decisions. President John F.Kennedy welcomed Project Mercury astronauts in the garden. Many presidential news conferences take place in the garden, as well as occasional White House dinners and ceremonies. The marriage of President Richard Nixon's daughter Tricia to Edward F. Cox took place in the Rose Garden in 1971. In recent years, joint news conferences with the president and a visiting head of state have been held in the Rose Garden. Presidents frequently host American Olympic and major league athletes in the Rose Garden after winning in their respective sport.

No significant changes were made to the garden until 1961, when it was redesigned by Rachel Lambert Mellon for President John F. Kennedy. Now, one of the most famous gardens in the world, it follows the plan of the most 18th century American gardens; framed with osmanthus and boxwood, the planting beds that are changed seasonally form the long lines of the rectangle.

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Ever since then, roses have served as the primary flowering plants in the garden, including large numbers of "Queen Elizabeth" grandiflora roses, along with the tea roses "Pascale", "Pat Nixon", and "King's Ransom". In something of a decidedly odd tradition, each and every summer sees garden gnomes taken and placed throughout the Rose Garden on July 1st–the number of which representing the number of living presidents at that particular moment in time.

THE CABINET ROOM

In 1902, President Theodore Roosevelt had the architectural firm of McKim, Mead & White design and construct an office building to the west of the original White House at the end of the colonnade built in the Jefferson administration. From the Second Floor of the Executive Mansion he then removed his office and Cabinet Room to new quarters in this "West Wing". The Cabinet Room was placed in the northeast corner and the President's Room, which was then a rectangular rather than an oval office, in the southeast corner.

In 1909, President William Howard Taft expanded the wing to the south, constructing the first "Oval Office" at the center of this addition, moving the Cabinet Room to the southeast corner.

In 1934, President Franklin D. Roosevelt moved the Oval Office to its present southeast corner location and returned the Cabinet Room to the northeast corner in a further-expanded West Wing. In each location, the Cabinet Room retained its original 1902 mantel. Architectural features of the new room included arched windows on the east wall and drapery swag panels on the north and south walls, a motif derived from classical antiquity that was used extensively on American Federal style furniture in the late 18th and early 19th centuries.

The large oval conference table that dominates the Cabinet Room was purchased by President Richard M. Nixon for this room in 1970 and later donated to the White House Office. It was made by the Kittinger Co. in Buffalo, New York. The leather armchairs that surround the table are derived from Queen Anne armchairs in the Council Chamber at Colonial Williamsburg. Cabinet members are assigned their own chairs, as designated on the plaques on the back of the chairs, and have the option of purchasing their chairs when they leave office. The taller chair at the east side of the table is occupied by the President.

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In 2004, the room was refurbished for the first time in 22 years under the direction of Mrs. Laura Bush. The wool rug by Edward Fields, Inc. of New York has bowed ends to reflect the curvature in the north and south walls, a red field spangled with gold stars, and a border composed of olive branches, the symbol of peace that appears in the Presidential Seal.

Six gold eagle-form sconces, created by Cox, Nostrand & Garrison, Inc., of Brooklyn, N.Y., for the room in 1930 when it was rebuilt after the 1929 fire, were re-installed; they were likely removed during the Kennedy refurbishing which added fluorescent lighting. The two bell-shaped dish lights contemporary with these patriotic Art Deco sconces did not survive the Kennedy administration changes, but three larger reproductions were commissioned from Gibson & Gibson Antique Lighting, Chula Vista, California.

WHITE HOUSE COLLECTION OBJECTS:

The Declaration of Independence of the United States of American, July 4, 1776
by Charles-Edouard Armand-Dumaresq
Oil on canvas, c. 1873. Over the fireplace mantel is depiction of the Second Continental Congress adopting the Declaration of Independence on July 4, 1776. Although inspired by John Trumbull's famous painting of that historical scene, it is not a copy of it.

George Washington **by Charles Willson Peale**
Oil on canvas, 1776. This is believed to be the artist's only replica of his 1776 portrait of Washington in dress uniform painted for John Hancock (now in the Brooklyn Museum of Art). The city of Boston can be seen in the distance, the siege and liberation of which, 1775-76, is commemorated as Washington's first great success.

President Harry S. Truman **by Frank O. Salisbury**
Oil on canvas, 1946. Frank O. Salisbury was a popular British artist who specialized in portraits and scenes of historical events. In addition to likenesses of British royalty, he also painted government leaders including Prime Minister Winston Churchill and Presidents Woodrow Wilson, Calvin Coolidge, Herbert Hoover, and Franklin D. Roosevelt. President Truman sat for Salisbury on several occasions in the fall of 1946, usually in a makeshift studio set up in the office of Press Secretary Charles Ross. The President, portrayed in the Oval Office, holds

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in his right hand a joint statement on the control and use of atomic energy, which was signed by Truman, British Prime Minister Clement Attlee, and Canadian Prime Minister Mackenzie King on November 15, 1945. In the background, at left, is a globe from his office, a gift from then General Dwight D. Eisenhower. On a tour of the Truman Library museum for museum docents on November 21, 1957, Truman said of his portrait: "I call that my stuffed shirt painting." Salisbury is represented in the White House collection by a 1947 replica of his 1934 portrait of President Franklin D. Roosevelt. [Courtesy the Harry S. Truman Library]. On loan from the Harry S. Truman Library, 2009.

THE OVAL OFFICE

When the West Wing was first constructed in 1902, the President's office, located in the southeast corner of the building, was rectangular. The first oval-shaped executive office, inspired by the oval rooms within the Executive Residence, was created in 1909 for President William Howard Taft as part of a building expansion. When the West Wing was renovated again in 1934, the Oval Office was moved from its original location in the center of the southern façade to its current location in the southeast corner.

Presidential Coat of Arms in Ceiling
The Presidential coat of arms in plaster relief in the ceiling was first added to the room during the 1934 renovation. In 1965, it was modified to add two state stars and to change the direction of the eagle's head towards its own right (towards the talon holding the olive branch), as dictated by President Truman's 1945 redefinition of the Presidential Seal.

"Resolute" Desk
This double pedestal desk was made from the oak timbers of the British ship H.M.S. Resolute as a gift to President Rutherford B. Hayes from Queen Victoria in 1880. It has been used by every president since Hayes, excepting Presidents Johnson, Nixon, and Ford, 1964-1977. President John F. Kennedy was the first president to use this desk in the Oval Office; prior to that time, it was used in the Executive Residence.

The desk was used in the President's Office on the Second Floor of the Residence from 1880 until 1902, at which time the office was moved to the newly constructed West Wing. This desk remained, however, on

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the Second Floor of the Residence in the President's Study. President Franklin D. Roosevelt requested that the rear kneehole be fitted with a panel carved with the presidential coat of arms, but he did not live to see it installed in 1945.

After the Truman Renovation of the White House, 1948-1952, the desk was placed in the Broadcast Room on the Ground Floor where it was used by President Dwight D. Eisenhower during radio and television broadcasts. It was first used in the Oval Office in 1961 at the request of President John F. Kennedy. After President Lyndon B. Johnson selected another desk for his office, it was lent to a Kennedy Library traveling exhibition, 1964-1965, and then to the Smithsonian Institution for exhibition, 1966-1977.

In January 1977, President Jimmy Carter requested that this historic desk be returned to the White House for use again in the Oval Office. In 1981, President Ronald W. Reagan also chose to use this desk in the Oval Office. President George Bush used it in the Oval Office for five months in 1989 before having it moved to his Residence Office in exchange for a partner's desk which he had used in his West Wing office as Vice President.

This historic desk, returned to the Oval Office for President Bill Clinton, was also used by Presidents George W. Bush and Barack Obama, and has been retained by President Donald Trump.

A brass plaque affixed to the desk records the history of its creation: H.M.S. "Resolute," forming part of the expedition sent in search of Sir John Franklin in 1852, was abandoned in Latitude 74 41' N. Longitude 101 22' W. on 15th May 1854. She was discovered and extricated in September 1855, in Latitude 67 N. by Captain Buddington of the United States Whaler "George Henry." The ship was purchased,fitted out and sent to England, as a gift to Her Majesty Queen Victoria by the President and People of the United States, as a token of goodwill & friendship. This table was made from her timbers when she was broken up, and is presented by the Queen ofGreat Britain & Ireland, to the President of the United States, as a memorial of the courtesy and loving kindness which dictated the offer of the gift of the "Resolute."

Rug

The current rug was custom-made for the Oval Office by KMM Corporation in Lewiston, Maine for President Ronald Reagan in 1988. President Donald Trump requested that this rug be returned when he

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assumed office. Every president since Reagan has commissioned a new rug for the Oval Office, although prior to this time, rugs were used for multiple administrations. Oval Office rugs remain part of the White House collection and do not leave with the President who selected them. The rug features the Presidential coat of arms on a golden beige and ivory field of rays derived from early-19th-century French rugs.

Architectural features of the present Oval Office, as designed by Eric Gugler in 1934, include: the Presidential coat of arms in plaster relief in the ceiling (as modified in 1965 to add two state stars and to reflect President Truman's 1945 redefinition of the seal); the doors to the veranda and study, each with a pediment above a horizontal fasces, the classical symbol of the governing authority; and the window and shelf niches with shell canopies modeled after those in the Yellow Oval Room in the Residence.

The current floor of walnut and white oak was installed in August 2005, replacing an identical floor laid in 1982. The 1982 floor was the first time hardwood had been used in the Oval Office: the original (1934) flooring in this room was made of cork, which was covered with wood-grain vinyl in 1969 during the Nixon administration.

WHITE HOUSE COLLECTION OBJECTS:

***Alexander Hamilton* by John Trumbull**
Oil on canvas, c. 1805. Trumbull was best known for portraits of America's founding fathers and scenes of the American Revolution. Alexander Hamilton was the first Secretary of the Treasury during George Washington's presidency. This is one of eight replicas made by the artist from an original likeness painted in 1804 for the City Hall of New York.

***Martin Luther King, Jr.* by Charles Alston**
Bronze, 1970. Dr. King visited the White House on several occasions and was on hand to see President Lyndon Johnson sign the Civil Rights Act of 1964 in the East Room. An influential teacher, Charles Alston was a founding member of the Harlem Arts Workshop in 1934.

***George Washington* by Rembrandt Peale**
Oil on panel, c. 1823. The painting hanging above the mantel is believed to be based on an 1823 portrait, also by Rembrandt Peale, on display in the Old Senate Chamber of the United States Capitol. From it, Peale

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painted 79 similar "porthole" portraits, some showing Washington in civilian dress and others showing him in uniform.

***Thomas Jefferson* by George P.A. Healy**
Oil on canvas, c. 1842-1860. This likeness, based on a c. 1810 life portrait by Gilbert Stuart, is part of series of presidential portraits commissioned in 1842 by French King Louis Philippe for the gallery at Versailles. The series was never delivered and was eventually acquired for the Corcoran Gallery of Art.

On loan from the National Gallery of Art, formerly the Corcoran Gallery of Art Collection, 1981.

***Winston Churchill* by Sir Jacob Epstein**
Bronze, 1946. In the 1940s, the British Ministry of Information commissioned six busts and statues of wartime leaders, the most notable being the 1946 bust of Winston Churchill. Churchill, as Prime Minister of Great Britain, stayed in the White House several times during World War II.

On loan from the United Kingdom Government Art Collection, 2017.

***Thomas Jefferson* by Rembrandt Peale**
Oil on canvas, 1800. This life portrait of Jefferson as Vice President was painted in Philadelphia less than a year before he assumed the presidency. It became the prototype for many American and European engravings and the most popular 19th century image of Jefferson.

***Abraham Lincoln* by Augustus Saint-Gaudens**
Bronze, c. 1923. In 1884, the sculptor was chosen to create a bronze statue of Lincoln for Chicago's Lincoln Park. The standing figure, with head slightly bent down, was considered one of the most successful and expressive likenesses, and was later recast on a smaller scale. Around 1923, several bust-size versions were made, of which this is example.

***Andrew Jackson* by Clark Mills**
White metal, 1855. On January 8, 1853, the 38th anniversary of the British defeat at New Orleans, an important sculpture of Major General Andrew Jackson was unveiled in the center of Lafayette Park with President Franklin Pierce in attendance. The statue was the first life-size bronze equestrian statue cast in the United States. This miniature version was purchased by the government in 1859 for the White House.

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***Andrew Jackson* by Ralph E.W. Earl**
Oil on canvas, c. 1835. The artist was related by marriage to Andrew Jackson's wife, Rachel. Earl painted many portraits of President Jackson as well as other members of the family. Earl's portrait of Emily Donelson, who served as official hostess during the Jackson Administration, hangs in the Queens' Bedroom. Earl spent a great deal of time at the Jackson White House and used what is now the Queens' Bedroom, as a bedroom and studio. He is buried at the Hermitage, Jackson's home outside of Nashville, Tennessee.

***The Bronco Buster* by Frederic Remington**
Bronze c. 1903. This popular western bronze has been on view in the Oval Office since it was given to the White House collection in 1973. The original design, copyrighted in 1895, was Remington's first work of sculpture.

***Theodore Roosevelt* by James Earle Fraser**
Bronze, c. 1910. Theodore Roosevelt is portrayed in the neckerchief and uniform jacket worn when he was a Rough Rider (1st Cavalry Volunteers) in the Spanish-American War. The sculptor is best known for poignant Indian figure, The End of the Trail, and for his design of the buffalo nickel.

***Abraham Lincoln* by George Henry Story**
Oil on canvas, c. 1915. This likeness is based on sketches Story made of President Lincoln in his White House office (now the Lincoln Bedroom) in June 1861.

THE ROOSEVELT ROOM

When the West Wing was constructed in 1902, the site of this room was the southeast corner of the building occupied by the President's office and anteroom. When the Wing was expanded to the south in 1909, the space became parts of two waiting rooms. When the Wing was expanded to the east in 1934, it assumed its present function as a centrally located conference room across the corridor from the repositioned Oval Office. It retained the painted wooden mantel which had been in the 1902 President's Room and was equipped with a skylight lit from a shaft passing through the Wing's new second floor.

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As a conference room, it was first called the "Fish Room" because of the aquariums and fishing mementos displayed by President Franklin D. Roosevelt. The tradition of this name was revived in the early 1960s when President John F. Kennedy hung a large mounted sailfish which he had caught in Acapulco.

The room was renamed the "Roosevelt Room" by President Richard Nixon in 1969 to honor the contributions of Theodore Roosevelt in erecting the West Wing and of Franklin D. Roosevelt in enlarging the Wing to its present size.

WHITE HOUSE COLLECTION OBJECTS:

***Theodore Roosevelt* by James Earle Fraser**
Bronze-patinated metal plaque, c. 1920. The sculptor best known for his Indian figure, The End of the Trail, and his design of the buffalo nickel. It includes a quotation attributed to Roosevelt–"Aggressive fighting for the right is the noblest sport the world affords." The plaque was acquired by the General Services Administration in 1969.

***Franklin D. Roosevelt* by John DeStefano**
Bronze, c. 1933. The profile bust portrait is surmounted by a spread-winged eagle and flanked by fasces, the Roman symbol of authority. The title panel includes a quotation from the Roman statesman Seneca–"I shall hold my rudder true."

On loan from the Franklin D. Roosevelt Library, 1969.

***Crossing the River Platte* by Worthington Whittredge**
Oil on canvas, c. 1871. Whittredge accompanied the 1865-66 General John Pope expedition, traveling across the Plains along the Platte River and Rocky Mountains from Kansas to New Mexico. Later in his New York studio, he painted this scene from sketches made during his travels showing Indians fording the river in what is now eastern Colorado.

***Franklin D. Roosevelt* by Alfred Jonniaux**
Oil on canvas, 1958. This posthumous likeness of Franklin Roosevelt was commissioned by his close friend and law partner, Basil "Doc" O'Connor, who helped Roosevelt establish the Georgia Warm Springs Foundation and the National Foundation for Infantile Paralysis (now called the March of Dimes Foundation). It has been on loan from the Franklin D. Roosevelt Library since 1978.

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***Eleanor Roosevelt* by Alva Museum Reproductions, after Victor Lamkay**
Composite stone, bronze patina, wood base, c. 1993. The original work was sculpted in 1962 and 1963. Sculptor Victor Lamkay had hoped to get permission for sittings with Mrs. Roosevelt, but she died before he could do so. From photographs, the artist was able to complete the bronze, now in the Franklin D. Roosevelt Library.

***Theodore Roosevelt* by Tade Styka**
Oil on canvas, 1909. Roosevelt is depicted in a tan uniform, possibly his Rough Rider outfit. This likeness is thought to have been painted from sittings in the artist's studio near Paris during Roosevelt's post-presidential tour of Europe, 1909.

***View of the City of Washington from the Virginia Shore* by William MacLeod**
Oil on canvas, 1856. The artist, who appears in the lower right foreground, painted this view of Washington from across the Potomac River near his native Alexandria, Virginia. Visible in the background are the unfinished Washington Monument, at the left; the U.S. Capitol with the earlier Bulfinch dome, at center; and the Washington Navy Yard, at the right.

***Our Vanishing Wildlife* by Alexander Pope**
Bronze, c. 1915-24. This sculpture of a bison battling three wolves was displayed by the artist at the Panama-Pacific Exposition in San Francisco in 1915 at which it was judged one of the best sculptures.

Nobel Peace Prize Medal
The medal was awarded to President Theodore Roosevelt in 1906 for his mediation of the Russo-Japanese War peace settlement. The first Nobel prize awarded to an American, it was a gift to the White House from the Theodore Roosevelt Association and presented to President Ronald Reagan in 1982 in the Roosevelt Room on the 125th anniversary of Theodore Roosevelt's birth.

Medal of Honor
Awarded posthumously to Theodore Roosevelt, January 16, 2001 to honor his heroism in the Spanish-American War, 1898. The medal was presented to President George W. Bush for the White House collection by Roosevelt family in ceremony held in the Roosevelt Room, September 16, 2002.

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Mantel Clock made by the Chelsea Clock Co., Boston Brass and pine, mid-20th century.
The circular brass ship's clock is set in a wooden frame.

THE WEST WING RECEPTION ROOM

When the West Wing was erected in 1902, a rectangular lobby was placed at the center of the north side of the building, opening directly to the driveway beneath a small porch. When the wing was expanded in 1909, it remained unchanged, while two adjacent rooms were converted into additional waiting rooms. In 1929, the Congressional Waiting Room became an office, while the General Waiting Room was absorbed into an enlarged T-shaped Lobby.

In 1934, when the President's Oval Office and the Cabinet Room were moved into the eastern extension of the West Wing, a new lobby was created at the center of the building with access through a narrow foyer leading to the north doorway. The somewhat informal character of this new lobby, which was a waiting room for both distinguished visitors and the press alike, was captured by artist Norman Rockwell in a four-panel illustration entitled, So You Want to See the President, drawn for the November 13, 1943 issue of the Saturday Evening Post.

With the construction of new press facilities in the West Terrace in 1970, the lobby was renovated to provide a smaller, more intimate reception room. The southern half of the room was walled off, becoming two staff offices entered from the south corridor.

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***The First Naval Action in the War of 1812* by William John Huggins**
Oil on canvas, 1816. This large maritime painting depicts the naval division of Commodore John Rodgers pursuing the British frigate H.M.S. Belvidera, five days after the United States had declared war on Great Britain in 1812. It is probably based on a sketch made by James Stilwell, an officer on the Belvidera.

***Rutland Falls, Vermont* by Frederic E. Church**
Oil on canvas, 1848. Considered part of the second generation of the Hudson River School, Church was a major 19th-century American landscape painter best known for [illegible] in

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North and South America. His landscapes were somewhat idealized with every aspect of nature depicted in great detail. A special emphasis was placed on light and cloud effects, often with very dramatic results.

***Shinnecock Hills, Long Island* by William Merritt Chase**
Oil on panel, 1900. Chase taught a successful summer art school at Shinnecock on the eastern end of Long Island, 1891-1902. Considered amongst his finest works are the paintings of the coastal landscape around his house and studio (designed by Stanford White), of which this is one.

***James Monroe* by Adrian Lamb, after Gilbert Stuart**
Oil on canvas, 1975. This likeness is a copy of a c. 1818-20 Gilbert Stuart portrait, now in the collection of the Metropolitan Museum of Art in New York.

***Emigrant Scene* attributed to William Henry Powell**
Oil on canvas, c. 1837. Powell found success as a portraitist and later as a painter of historical subjects. In 1847, he was selected to create the last painting for the U.S. Capitol Rotunda, replacing his former teacher, Henry Inman, who had died suddenly in 1846. Perhaps Powell's best known painting, this mammoth work entitled, Discovery of the Mississippi by De Soto, portrayed the Spanish explorer's arrival on May 8, 1541.

***Donner Lake from the Summit* by Edwin Deakin**
Oil on canvas, 1876. This panoramic view features Donner Lake, located in northeast California on the eastern edge of the Sierra Nevada mountain range. Deakin, an English-born artist, came to California in 1870 and established a studio in the San Francisco area, where he resided for the remainder of his life. He was best known for views of California's Spanish-era missions, Chinatown, and the aftermath of the 1906 earthquake.

***Vernal Falls, Yosemite* by Thomas Hill**
***Nevada Falls, Yosemite* by Thomas Hill,**
Oil on canvas, 1889. This pair of scenic paintings was created by Thomas Hill, an artist best known for his views of Yosemite Valley. Hill moved permanently to California in 1871, and in the 1880s, established a studio in Yosemite that today serves as the National Park Service visitor center.

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***Cannonading on the Potomac, October, 1861* by Alfred Wordsworth Thompson**
Oil on canvas, c. 1868-70. Thompson painted this American Civil War scene from sketches made of the Battle of Ball's Bluff, on the Potomac River near Leesburg, Virginia, on October 21, 1861. On the reverse side of the canvas is an inscription: "...Col. E[dward]. D. Baker, Commanding, was killed in this action." A U.S. Senator from Oregon, Baker was a longtime friend of Abraham Lincoln; the president's second son was his namesake. Among those wounded in this battle, a tactical blunder for the routed Federal troops, was Oliver Wendell Holmes, Jr., later a justice of the U.S. Supreme Court.

Bookcase
Mahogany, c. 1770, English. The bookcase holds bound copies of presidential documents.

THE PRESS BRIEFING ROOM

The current Press Room did not exist until President Richard Nixon converted the indoor swimming pool to the present day space. The indoor swimming pool, which still exists below the Press Room floor, was installed during President Franklin D. Roosevelt's administration in 1933 placed between the White House and the West Wing.

President Nixon started the conversion of the space into a lounge and press offices that could also serve as a press briefing room starting in 1969. Since 1970, the White House press corps have gathered in this space to listen to briefings and reports presented by the press secretary. The space was last updated in 2005 by President George W. Bush.

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The Eisenhower Executive Office Building (EEOB) is located next to the West Wing, and houses a majority of offices for White House staff. Originally built for the State, War, and Navy Departments between 1871 and 1888, the EEOB is an impressive building that commands a unique position in both our national history and architectural heritage.

Designed by Supervising Architect of the Treasury Alfred Mullett, the granite, slate, and cast iron exterior makes the EEOB one of America's best examples of the French Second Empire style of architecture. Construction took 17 years as the building slowly rose wing by wing. The EEOB was finished in 1888 and was the largest office building in Washington with nearly 2 miles of black and white tiled corridors.

The Navy Department left in 1918 (except for the Secretary who stayed until 1921), followed by the War Department in 1938, and finally by the State Department in 1947. The White House began to move some of its offices across West Executive Avenue in 1939, and in 1949 the building was turned over to the Executive Office of the President and renamed the Executive Office Building. The building was designated a National Historic Landmark in 1969. The building continues to house various agencies that comprise the Executive Office of the President, such as the White House Office, the Office of the Vice President, the Office of Management and Budget, and the National Security Council.



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The Vice President's Ceremonial Office



The current Vice President's Ceremonial Office was originally used as the Secretary of Navy's office from 1879 to 1923. From 1923 to 1947, General John Pershing occupied the office initially as the Army Chief of Staff then as the Chairman of the Battle and Monuments Commission, becoming the longest single occupant of this room (24 years). Additionally, President Hoover used the office for three months following a Christmas Eve fire in the West Wing in 1929.

Since 1960 it has been used as the Vice President's Ceremonial Office with the exception of Vice President Hubert Humphrey, because Lyndon Johnson did not give up the office when he became President after the Kennedy assassination.

The current desk is part of the White House collection, and was commissioned to be built for Theodore Roosevelt's use in the Oval Office. Several important figures have used the desk including Presidents Taft, Wilson, Harding, Coolidge, and for a few months, Hoover. The desk was placed in storage early on during Herbert Hoover's Presidency where it remained until 1945 when President Truman then used it. Vice President Johnson and all subsequent Vice Presidents (except Hubert Humphrey) have used the desk. Since the 1940s, various users have signed the inside of the top drawer.



The top drawer has been signed by Vice Presidents Cheney, Gore, Quayle, Mondale, and Rockefeller; and Presidents Truman and Eisenhower.





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Secretary of War Suite



The Secretary of War Suite consists of ten rooms designed by Stephen Decatur Hatch, a prominent New York architect of the late 19th-century. Beginning in March of 1888, Secretary of War William Endicott occupied the suite. The suite would continue on to be occupied by 18 Secretaries of War until July 1939. Notable Secretaries of War included William Endicott, Elihu Root, William Howard Taft, and Henry Stimson.



History made in these rooms included the development, review, and acceptance of all plans of defense for our nation and our armed forces in times of conflict as well as in times of peace between 1888 and 1939. The War Department moved from the building between 1938–39. The Bureau of the Budget, newly established by Franklin Roosevelt's administration, immediately took possession of these rooms.

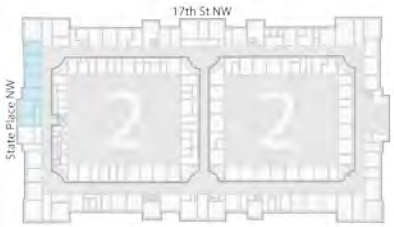
Another event of interest occurred in 1908, while in his office in what is now EEOB 230B, Secretary of War Taft received word by telephone that the Republican convention in Chicago had nominated him for the presidency.





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The Cordell Hull Room & the Diplomatic Reception Room



When the south wing of the State Department first opened in 1875, it had three spectacular rooms designed to be showplaces for the department. One of these was the office of the Secretary of State located at the center of the second floor with three windows opening onto the south portico and a view of the Potomac River. The other two rooms included the State Department Library (now the EOP Library) and the Diplomatic Reception Room (room 212, pictured upper right).

A total of 24 men served 25 terms as Secretary of State (James G. Blaine served as Secretary of State for two terms—the first term March 1881 to December 1881, and the second term March 1889 to June 1892) in the EEOB. Hamilton Fish was the first Secretary of State to serve in this office, from July 1875 to March 1877. He and his staff moved into the building before the wing was fully completed in December 1875.

Many important events have occurred in these rooms. In 1898, Secretary of State John Hay handed the Spanish ambassador his credentials and passport, thus signifying our declaration of war against Spain. During his term, Hay supported an American imperialist solution to the Spanish-American War, helped formulate the "Open Door" policy in China, arranged treaties to facilitate the building of the Panama Canal, and worked with President Roosevelt in settling the Russo-Japanese War.

On Sunday morning, December 7, 1941, Secretary of State Cordell Hull was in his office (pictured lower right) meeting with his aides and discussing the volatile situation in the Far East. The meeting was interrupted when intercepted messages between Japanese Foreign Minister Togo and Japanese Ambassadors to the US were delivered to Secretary Hull's office. After receiving a phone call from President Roosevelt informing him of a Japanese attack on Pearl Harbor, Secretary Hull met with the Japanese Ambassador. The next day, Congress declared war on Japan. Later, in 1942, the United Nations Declaration was drafted and signed in this room.

George Catlett Marshall was the last Secretary of State to serve in this office. Marshall oversaw the move of the Department of State staff from the EEOB to their new offices in Foggy Bottom, in the old War Department building, which was mostly complete by May 1947.





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The War Library / The Law Library



Originally designated as the War Department Library, the room was designed by Austrian-born Richard Ezdorf, a draftsman for the Supervising Architect of the Treasury, and completed in 1887. Ezdorf selected an eclectic mix of the French Renaissance, Classical, and Gothic Revival styles. Mixing elements of these styles was very popular in the late 19th-century and became characteristic of the high Victorian style.

The War Department's library collection included books, charts, maps, and photographs. This includes photographs and their negatives taken by Mathew Brady during the Civil War, which were acquired by the War Department in 1875 for $25,000 when financial difficulties forced Brady to sell them. The U.S. Signal Corps became responsible for the library in 1894, and the War Department occupied the space until 1938 when they vacated the building.

Between 1938 and 1970, the library was used for storage. In 1970, the library was renovated for use as a conference room. The library is currently used to house the Law Library for the Executive Office of the President.



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Indian Treaty Room



The Indian Treaty Room is located on the east wing's fourth floor and was originally the Navy Department Library. It was designed by Richard Ezdorf and was completed in 1880. The room does not resemble a library as we know it; the books were shelved in alcoves on two levels at each end adjacent to the main reading room. The Navy Department vacated the building between 1918 and 1921, with the library last to leave in 1923.

The Indian Treaty Room was later used for presidential press conferences from 1950 until 1961. President Eisenhower held the first televised presidential press conference in this room on January 19, 1955. Phone booths were located just outside the door to accommodate the press needing to call in their stories for late breaking news.

The room's designation as the "Indian Treaty Room" is one of the building's most interesting mysteries. It is not known how the room inherited its name despite considerable research. Its first mention in the press was in 1954, and many recall the days between 1923 and 1942 when the State Department used the room as storage space, and perhaps someone thought that treaties with Native American tribes were stored in the room.





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East Rotunda

Located on the West Executive Avenue, center corridor side of the EEOB, the East Rotunda was designed for the Department of Navy by Richard Ezdorf, chief draftsman for the Supervising Architect of the Treasury; completed in 1879.



West Rotunda

Located on the 17th Street, center corridor side of the EEOB, the West Rotunda was designed for the Department of War by Richard Ezdorf, chief draftsman for the Supervising Architect of the Treasury; completed in 1888.



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Truman Bowling Alley

On April 19, 1947, President Harry Truman was presented with the gift of two bowling lanes in the basement of the Executive Offices (today's West Wing where the Situation Room is presently located). The lanes came with an automatic pinsetter, which had been successfully introduced the year before at the 1946 American Bowling Congress (ABC) Tournament by AMF. In 1953, President Truman gave the lanes to the employees of the White House and the bowling alley first opened. In 1955, the lanes were moved from the West Wing's basement to the EEOB's basement.

President Richard Nixon was the most avid of the presidential bowlers, spending as many as four hours at a time rolling games.







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Subject: VA Weekly Cabinet Report

Good afternoon,

Due to the holiday, please submit your White House Weekly Cabinet Report entries no later than **3pm Tuesday, September 3**. The inclusive dates for this report are **September 4 – October 1**.

Please include weekly updates regarding MISSION Act, Forever GI Bill, Blue Water Navy, burn pits/toxic exposure, PREVENTS Task Force, EHRM, meetings/hearings/events involving Members of Congress, upcoming travel, public appearances, and any other major items specific to your area.

Please let me know if you have any questions.

Thank you and have a great weekend!

Darren

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White House Liaison
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From: (b)(6) VBAVACO
Sent: Mon, 9 Sep 2019 15:15:24 +0000
To: Bossie, Darren J.
Cc: McClelland, Teri, VBAVACO
Subject: RE: VA Weekly Cabinet Report
Attachments: Outreach Report as of 9-4-19 (Claims Clinics Identified).xlsx, VBA Cabinet Report.docx

Good Morning Darren,

Please see the attached Cabinet and Outreach Reports from VBA.

Thank you!

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From: Bossie, Darren J.
Sent: Friday, September 6, 2019 2:54 PM
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(b)(6) @va.gov>
Subject: VA Weekly Cabinet Report

Good afternoon,

Please submit your White House Weekly Cabinet Report entries no later than **3pm Monday, September 9**. The inclusive dates for this report are **September 11 – October 8**.

Please include weekly updates regarding MISSION Act, Forever GI Bill, Blue Water Navy, burn pits/toxic exposure, PREVENTS Task Force, EHRM, meetings/hearings/events involving Members of Congress, upcoming travel, public appearances, and any other major items specific to your area.

Please let me know if you have any questions.

Thank you and have a great weekend!

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From: Bossie, Darren J.
Sent: Mon, 9 Sep 2019 17:37:56 +0000
To: (b)(6)@hotmail.com
Subject: FW: West Wing Tour Request
Attachments: West Wing Tour Guidelines and Maps.pdf, West Wing and EEOB Historical Guides.pdf

Good afternoon Lance Corporal (b)(6)

Thank you for your interest in touring the West Wing of the White House. Please submit your background information to the United States Secret Service as soon as possible. The link is highlighted below. The tour will be on Saturday, September 28th at 245pm. The tour group will include myself, as well as 4 Midshipmen from the United States Naval Academy.

Attached, please find material provided by the White House related to your upcoming tour. After reviewing the attached information, please let me know if you have any questions or concerns.

Thank you for your service to this country! Enjoy the tour!

Darren Bossie
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From: (b)(6) EOP/WHO <(b)(6)@who.eop.gov>
Sent: Thursday, August 29, 2019 10:46 AM
To: Bossie, Darren J. (b)(6)@va.gov>
Subject: [EXTERNAL] FW: West Wing Tour Request

West wing tour for the midshipmen

From: White House Management Office (b)(6)@eop.gov>
Sent: Thursday, August 29, 2019 10:44 AM
To: (b)(6) EOP/WHO <(b)(6)@who.eop.gov>
Subject: West Wing Tour Request

Hello,

(b)(6) is scheduled to guide the following tour on Saturday, September 28, 2019 at 02:45 PM for 6 guests.

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Please share the attached West Wing Tour Guidelines with your guest(s). As a reminder, all guests should wear clothing appropriate to the nature of the West Wing. While photography is allowed outside the West Wing and inside the Press Briefing Room, photography is strictly prohibited inside the West Wing and in the Rose Garden.

Staff are responsible for submitting their guests' WAVES. Guests must submit their WAVES information at this link: RSVP Link. To manage your RSVPs please visit the Appointment Center.

Tour guests are authorized to enter the EEOB and West Wing only. West Wing tour guests are not allowed on the White House tour route. White House tours must be booked separately on the White House Staff Portal. Failure to comply with these guidelines may result in the revocation of West Wing tour privileges.

If you need to cancel your tour, change the tour guide, or reduce the number of scheduled guests, please click here. Failure to cancel a tour may result in reduced tour privileges.

Thank you,

White House Management Office

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WEST WING TOUR GUIDELINES

IDENTIFICATION

All guests 18 years of age or older will be required to present a valid, government-issued photo identification (detailed below). All foreign nationals must present their passport, regardless of age. All other forms of foreign identification will not be accepted.

- Valid government-issued United States identification card (e.g. drivers license, military ID).
- Valid United States or other official government-issued passports.

All information submitted (e.g. name, date of birth, city, etc.) must exactly match the government-issued photo ID presented when arriving at the White House. No other forms of identification will be accepted; photocopies, expired IDs, or other transmissions of these documents are NOT valid.

PROHIBITED ITEMS

The following items are prohibited:

- Any pointed objects, including pocket knives.
- Food or beverages, tobacco products, and personal grooming items (i.e. makeup, lotion, etc.).
- Aerosol containers.
- Guns, ammunition, fireworks, electric stun guns, mace, martial arts weapons/devices, and knives of any size.

PERMITTED ITEMS

Umbrellas, wallet, cell phones, and car keys are permitted. However, guests will not be allowed to use cell phones inside the White House.

All items needed for medical purposes will be permitted on the tour (e.g. wheelchairs, electric scooters, glucose tablets, EpiPens, etc.).

PARKING AND TRANSPORTATION

Limited street parking is available on New York Avenue and use of public transportation is strongly encouraged. The closest metro stops to the entrance are Farragut North and Farragut West.

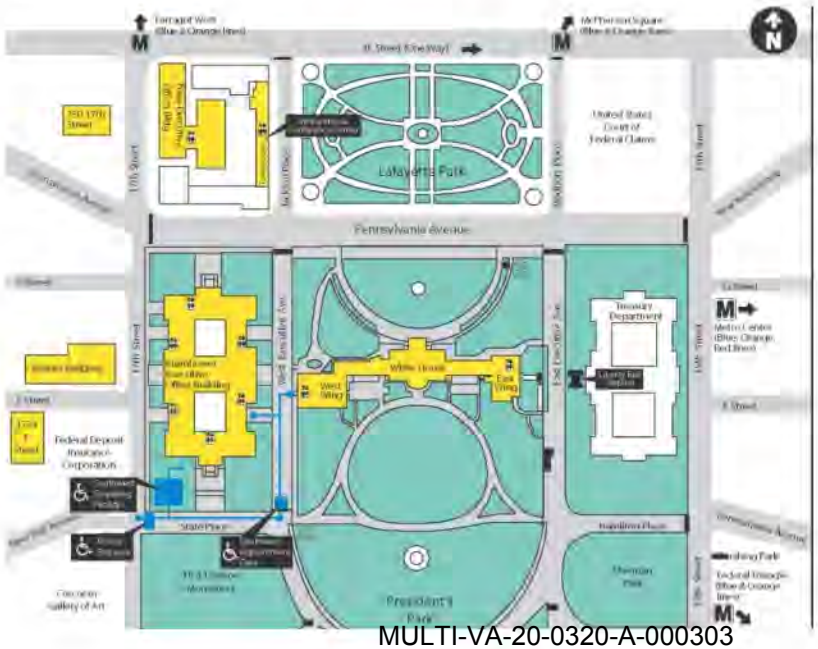
OTHER INFORMATION

Please consider the following during your preparations:

- Guests, including children, should wear clothing appropriate for the nature of the West Wing – business or business casual. **Jeans and shorts are not allowed**.
- Guests will be standing outside when waiting in line.
- Photography is permitted when outside of the West Wing (except the Rose Garden) or in the Press Briefing Room. Photography is prohibited while inside of the West Wing.
- If needed, guests that require use of a wheelchair will be provided with one at the entrance.
- Tour guides must stay with their guests for the entire duration of the tour.

WEST WING TOUR GUEST ENTRANCE

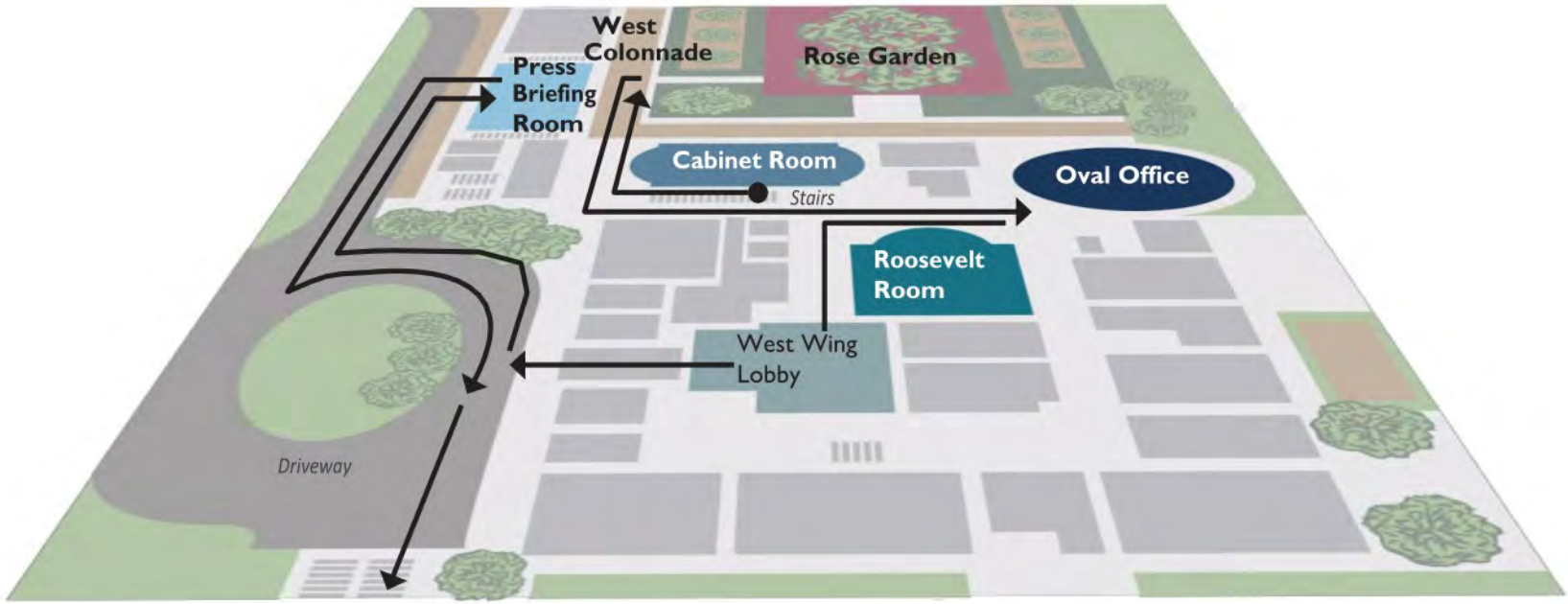
The guest entrance is located at the corner of 17th and State Place NW St.



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NAVY MESS

Since 1880, the Navy has assigned their best Culinary Specialists to prepare the finest foods and to provide outstanding service for the President throughout the world.



OVAL OFFICE

The Oval Office was moved from its original location in the center of the southern façade to its current location in the southeast corner. Highlights include the Presidential coat of arms in the ceiling and the Resolute Desk. President Trump enjoys the use of President Reagan's Oval Office rug.



WEST WING LOBBY

The West Wing Lobby serves as a greeting and waiting space for distinguished guests and the press. Today, the Lobby is much smaller than it was during the 1930s, when reporters awaited updates from the President. The lobby was captured best by artist Norman Rockwell in his illustrations entitled, "So You Want to See the President." These illustrations still hang today in one of the West Wing corridors. The Administration of President Trump refurbished and improved the elegance of the West Wing Lobby.



CABINET ROOM

The large oval conference table that dominates the Cabinet Room was purchased by President Richard M. Nixon for this room in 1970. In 2004, the room was refurbished for the first time in 22 years under the direction of Mrs. Laura Bush. President Trump expanded the length of the Cabinet Room table to accommodate the growing Cabinet.



ROOSEVELT ROOM

It was first called the "Fish Room" because of the aquariums and fishing mementos displayed by President Franklin Roosevelt. The room was renamed by President Nixon to honor the contributions of both Roosevelts to the construction of the West Wing.



PRESS BRIEFING ROOM

The current Press Briefing Room was a swimming pool before President Richard Nixon ordered its conversion into a press room. The pool is still beneath the floor of the Press Briefing Room today.

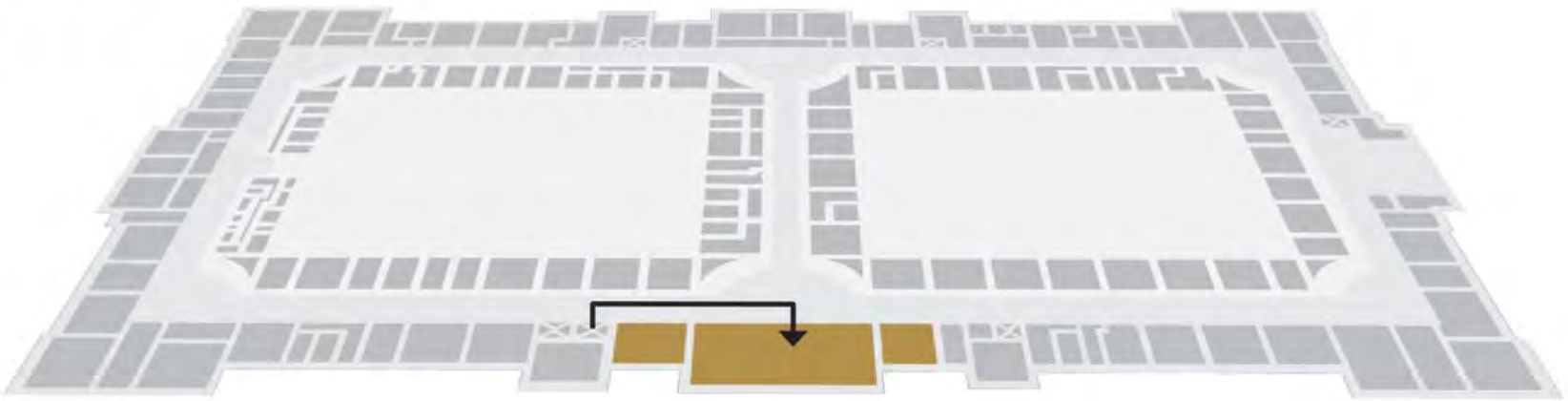
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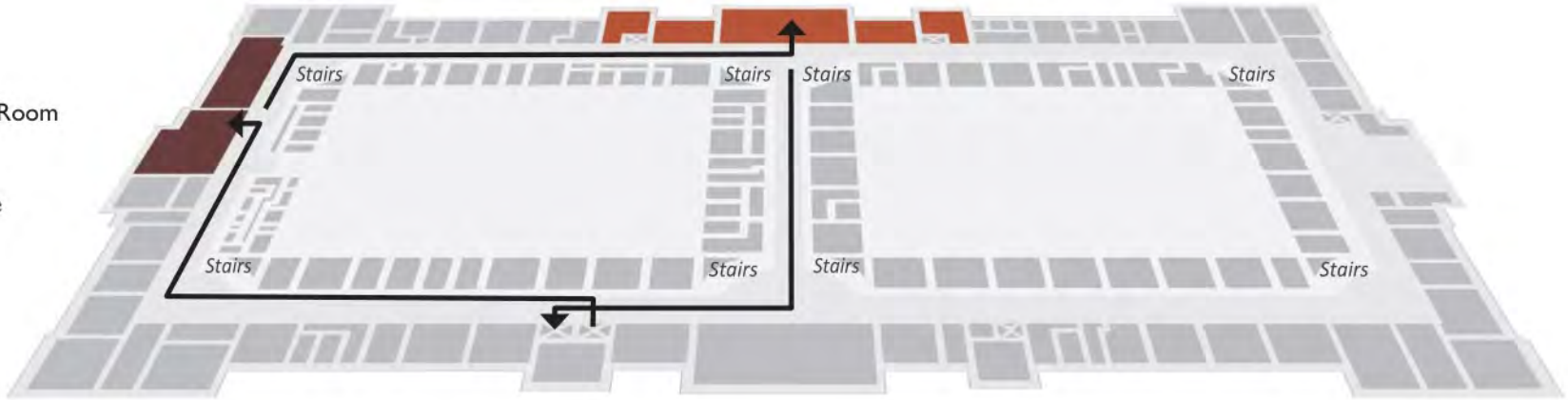
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- Indian Treaty Room
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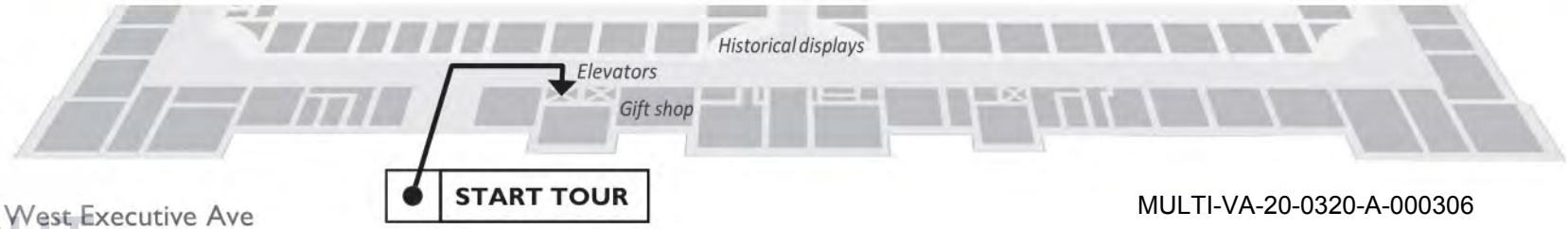
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- Cordell Hull Room & Diplomatic Reception Room
  208 & 212
- Secretary of War Suite
  231 & 232



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THE CORDELL HULL ROOM & THE DIPLOMATIC RECEPTION ROOM

When the south wing of the State Department first opened in 1875, it had three spectacular rooms designed to be showplaces for the department. One of these was the office of the Secretary of State with three windows opening onto the south portico and a view of the Potomac River.

SECRETARY OF WAR SUITE

The Secretary of War Suite consists of ten rooms designed by Stephen Decatur Hatch, a prominent New York architect of the late 19th-century. Beginning in March of 1888, Secretary of War William Endicott occupied the suite. The suite would continue to be occupied by eighteen Secretaries of War until July 1939. Notable Secretaries of War include William Endicott, Elihu Root, William Howard Taft, and Henry Stimson.

INDIAN TREATY ROOM

The Indian Treaty Room is located on the east wing's fourth floor and was originally the Navy Department Library. It was designed by Richard Ezdorf and completed in 1880. The room does not resemble a library as we know it: the books were shelved in alcoves on two levels at each end adjacent to the main reading room. The Navy Department vacated the building between 1918 and 1921; the library was last to leave in 1923.

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A BRIEF HISTORY OF THE WEST WING

In 1902, President Theodore Roosevelt had the architectural firm of McKim, Mead & White design and construct a "temporary" office building for the president and his staff to the west of the original White House. The new building replaced the expansive greenhouses, built in the Jefferson administration, which had occupied the area above the western colonnade and the surrounding west lawn.

Prior to the creation of the West Wing, office space for the President and his staff was located on the eastern end of the Second Floor of the Executive Mansion, with the President's private living quarters on the western end. This arrangement had proved quite problematic over the years, with visitors to the President and reporters often wandering into the private rooms. Many presidents, particularly those with large families like Theodore Roosevelt, also found the eastern end of the Second Floor to be too small for their needs, making the removal of the office spaces from this floor highly desirable.

The new one story building was erected quickly, with the demolition of the former greenhouses beginning in July 1902 and staff moving in by mid October. Many found the new quarters to be too spartan, especially in comparison with the neighboring mansion. The President's office, then known as the President's Room, was rectangular rather than oval in shape and was located in the southeast corner of the building. The Cabinet Room was located to the north of the President's Room. Although much larger than the office space in the mansion, the executive staff quickly outgrew the new space, and the building was expanded to the south in 1909, approximately doubling its size. The first "Oval Office," located in the center of the building's southern side, was created at this time for President William Howard Taft. The Cabinet Room was moved to the southeast corner.

Again, desiring additional office space, a basement level for the West Wing was excavated in the spring of 1929. Just six months later, the building caught fire on Christmas Eve, destroying almost all of the interiors. The building was reconstructed soon thereafter almost exactly as it had been prior to the fire, with the notable addition of air conditioning.

The West Wing was enlarged to its existing size in 1934 under President Franklin Delano Roosevelt when a "penthouse" story was added and

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a larger basement was excavated for staff and support services. The Oval Office and its 1909 white marble mantel were moved to its present southeast corner location while the Cabinet Room was returned to the northeast corner of the building. Remodeling during the Richard Nixon administration in 1969 added a porte-cochere to the north façade and moved the press from the lobby to an area in the West Terrace where the former indoor swimming pool had been.

THE ROSE GARDEN

The Rose Garden, nearly a century old, retains the charm and flavor of early American gardens. Located adjacent to the West Wing, the Rose Garden serves as a presidential reception area for everyone from foreign dignitaries to astronauts. Ellen Axson Wilson, first wife of Woodrow Wilson (1913–1921), planted the first rose garden in the manner of 17th century Italian gardens. Prior to 1902, the area contained extensive stables, housing various horses and coaches.

Beginning with the establishment of the garden in the early twentieth century the Rose Garden has been used for a wide array of events. President Woodrow Wilson met there with the press for informal questions. President Hoover began a tradition of welcoming and being photographed with prominent citizens there. Calvin Coolidge used the garden for making public announcements about policy and staffing decisions. President John F.Kennedy welcomed Project Mercury astronauts in the garden. Many presidential news conferences take place in the garden, as well as occasional White House dinners and ceremonies. The marriage of President Richard Nixon's daughter Tricia to Edward F. Cox took place in the Rose Garden in 1971. In recent years, joint news conferences with the president and a visiting head of state have been held in the Rose Garden. Presidents frequently host American Olympic and major league athletes in the Rose Garden after winning in their respective sport.

No significant changes were made to the garden until 1961, when it was redesigned by Rachel Lambert Mellon for President John F. Kennedy. Now, one of the most famous gardens in the world, it follows the plan of the most 18th century American gardens; framed with osmanthus and boxwood, the planting beds that are changed seasonally form the long lines of the rectangle.

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Ever since then, roses have served as the primary flowering plants in the garden, including large numbers of "Queen Elizabeth" grandiflora roses, along with the tea roses "Pascale", "Pat Nixon", and "King's Ransom". In something of a decidedly odd tradition, each and every summer sees garden gnomes taken and placed throughout the Rose Garden on July 1st–the number of which representing the number of living presidents at that particular moment in time.

THE CABINET ROOM

In 1902, President Theodore Roosevelt had the architectural firm of McKim, Mead & White design and construct an office building to the west of the original White House at the end of the colonnade built in the Jefferson administration. From the Second Floor of the Executive Mansion he then removed his office and Cabinet Room to new quarters in this "West Wing". The Cabinet Room was placed in the northeast corner and the President's Room, which was then a rectangular rather than an oval office, in the southeast corner.

In 1909, President William Howard Taft expanded the wing to the south, constructing the first "Oval Office" at the center of this addition, moving the Cabinet Room to the southeast corner.

In 1934, President Franklin D. Roosevelt moved the Oval Office to its present southeast corner location and returned the Cabinet Room to the northeast corner in a further-expanded West Wing. In each location, the Cabinet Room retained its original 1902 mantel. Architectural features of the new room included arched windows on the east wall and drapery swag panels on the north and south walls, a motif derived from classical antiquity that was used extensively on American Federal style furniture in the late 18th and early 19th centuries.

The large oval conference table that dominates the Cabinet Room was purchased by President Richard M. Nixon for this room in 1970 and later donated to the White House Office. It was made by the Kittinger Co. in Buffalo, New York. The leather armchairs that surround the table are derived from Queen Anne armchairs in the Council Chamber at Colonial Williamsburg. Cabinet members are assigned their own chairs, as designated on the plaques on the back of the chairs, and have the option of purchasing their chairs when they leave office. The taller chair at the east side of the table is occupied by the President.

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In 2004, the room was refurbished for the first time in 22 years under the direction of Mrs. Laura Bush. The wool rug by Edward Fields, Inc. of New York has bowed ends to reflect the curvature in the north and south walls, a red field spangled with gold stars, and a border composed of olive branches, the symbol of peace that appears in the Presidential Seal.

Six gold eagle-form sconces, created by Cox, Nostrand & Garrison, Inc., of Brooklyn, N.Y., for the room in 1930 when it was rebuilt after the 1929 fire, were re-installed; they were likely removed during the Kennedy refurbishing which added fluorescent lighting. The two bell-shaped dish lights contemporary with these patriotic Art Deco sconces did not survive the Kennedy administration changes, but three larger reproductions were commissioned from Gibson & Gibson Antique Lighting, Chula Vista, California.

WHITE HOUSE COLLECTION OBJECTS:

The Declaration of Independence of the United States of American, July 4, 1776
by Charles-Edouard Armand-Dumaresq
Oil on canvas, c. 1873. Over the fireplace mantel is depiction of the Second Continental Congress adopting the Declaration of Independence on July 4, 1776. Although inspired by John Trumbull's famous painting of that historical scene, it is not a copy of it.

George Washington **by Charles Willson Peale**
Oil on canvas, 1776. This is believed to be the artist's only replica of his 1776 portrait of Washington in dress uniform painted for John Hancock (now in the Brooklyn Museum of Art). The city of Boston can be seen in the distance, the siege and liberation of which, 1775-76, is commemorated as Washington's first great success.

President Harry S. Truman **by Frank O. Salisbury**
Oil on canvas, 1946. Frank O. Salisbury was a popular British artist who specialized in portraits and scenes of historical events. In addition to likenesses of British royalty, he also painted government leaders including Prime Minister Winston Churchill and Presidents Woodrow Wilson, Calvin Coolidge, Herbert Hoover, and Franklin D. Roosevelt. President Truman sat for Salisbury on several occasions in the fall of 1946, usually in a makeshift studio set up in the office of Press Secretary Charles Ross. The President, portrayed in the Oval Office, holds

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in his right hand a joint statement on the control and use of atomic energy, which was signed by Truman, British Prime Minister Clement Attlee, and Canadian Prime Minister Mackenzie King on November 15, 1945. In the background, at left, is a globe from his office, a gift from then General Dwight D. Eisenhower. On a tour of the Truman Library museum for museum docents on November 21, 1957, Truman said of his portrait: "I call that my stuffed shirt painting." Salisbury is represented in the White House collection by a 1947 replica of his 1934 portrait of President Franklin D. Roosevelt. [Courtesy the Harry S. Truman Library]. On loan from the Harry S. Truman Library, 2009.

THE OVAL OFFICE

When the West Wing was first constructed in 1902, the President's office, located in the southeast corner of the building, was rectangular. The first oval-shaped executive office, inspired by the oval rooms within the Executive Residence, was created in 1909 for President William Howard Taft as part of a building expansion. When the West Wing was renovated again in 1934, the Oval Office was moved from its original location in the center of the southern façade to its current location in the southeast corner.

Presidential Coat of Arms in Ceiling
The Presidential coat of arms in plaster relief in the ceiling was first added to the room during the 1934 renovation. In 1965, it was modified to add two state stars and to change the direction of the eagle's head towards its own right (towards the talon holding the olive branch), as dictated by President Truman's 1945 redefinition of the Presidential Seal.

"Resolute" Desk
This double pedestal desk was made from the oak timbers of the British ship H.M.S. Resolute as a gift to President Rutherford B. Hayes from Queen Victoria in 1880. It has been used by every president since Hayes, excepting Presidents Johnson, Nixon, and Ford, 1964-1977. President John F. Kennedy was the first president to use this desk in the Oval Office; prior to that time, it was used in the Executive Residence.

The desk was used in the President's Office on the Second Floor of the Residence from 1880 until 1902, at which time the office was moved to the newly constructed West Wing. This desk remained, however, on

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the Second Floor of the Residence in the President's Study. President Franklin D. Roosevelt requested that the rear kneehole be fitted with a panel carved with the presidential coat of arms, but he did not live to see it installed in 1945.

After the Truman Renovation of the White House, 1948-1952, the desk was placed in the Broadcast Room on the Ground Floor where it was used by President Dwight D. Eisenhower during radio and television broadcasts. It was first used in the Oval Office in 1961 at the request of President John F. Kennedy. After President Lyndon B. Johnson selected another desk for his office, it was lent to a Kennedy Library traveling exhibition, 1964-1965, and then to the Smithsonian Institution for exhibition, 1966-1977.

In January 1977, President Jimmy Carter requested that this historic desk be returned to the White House for use again in the Oval Office. In 1981, President Ronald W. Reagan also chose to use this desk in the Oval Office. President George Bush used it in the Oval Office for five months in 1989 before having it moved to his Residence Office in exchange for a partner's desk which he had used in his West Wing office as Vice President.

This historic desk, returned to the Oval Office for President Bill Clinton, was also used by Presidents George W. Bush and Barack Obama, and has been retained by President Donald Trump.

A brass plaque affixed to the desk records the history of its creation: H.M.S. "Resolute," forming part of the expedition sent in search of Sir John Franklin in 1852, was abandoned in Latitude 74 41' N. Longitude 101 22' W. on 15th May 1854. She was discovered and extricated in September 1855, in Latitude 67 N. by Captain Buddington of the United States Whaler "George Henry." The ship was purchased,fitted out and sent to England, as a gift to Her Majesty Queen Victoria by the President and People of the United States, as a token of goodwill & friendship. This table was made from her timbers when she was broken up, and is presented by the Queen ofGreat Britain & Ireland, to the President of the United States, as a memorial of the courtesy and loving kindness which dictated the offer of the gift of the "Resolute."

Rug

The current rug was custom-made for the Oval Office by KMM Corporation in Lewiston, Maine for President Ronald Reagan in 1988. President Donald Trump requested that this rug be returned when he

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assumed office. Every president since Reagan has commissioned a new rug for the Oval Office, although prior to this time, rugs were used for multiple administrations. Oval Office rugs remain part of the White House collection and do not leave with the President who selected them. The rug features the Presidential coat of arms on a golden beige and ivory field of rays derived from early-19th-century French rugs.

Architectural features of the present Oval Office, as designed by Eric Gugler in 1934, include: the Presidential coat of arms in plaster relief in the ceiling (as modified in 1965 to add two state stars and to reflect President Truman's 1945 redefinition of the seal); the doors to the veranda and study, each with a pediment above a horizontal fasces, the classical symbol of the governing authority; and the window and shelf niches with shell canopies modeled after those in the Yellow Oval Room in the Residence.

The current floor of walnut and white oak was installed in August 2005, replacing an identical floor laid in 1982. The 1982 floor was the first time hardwood had been used in the Oval Office: the original (1934) flooring in this room was made of cork, which was covered with wood-grain vinyl in 1969 during the Nixon administration.

WHITE HOUSE COLLECTION OBJECTS:

***Alexander Hamilton* by John Trumbull**
Oil on canvas, c. 1805. Trumbull was best known for portraits of America's founding fathers and scenes of the American Revolution. Alexander Hamilton was the first Secretary of the Treasury during George Washington's presidency. This is one of eight replicas made by the artist from an original likeness painted in 1804 for the City Hall of New York.

***Martin Luther King, Jr.* by Charles Alston**
Bronze, 1970. Dr. King visited the White House on several occasions and was on hand to see President Lyndon Johnson sign the Civil Rights Act of 1964 in the East Room. An influential teacher, Charles Alston was a founding member of the Harlem Arts Workshop in 1934.

***George Washington* by Rembrandt Peale**
Oil on panel, c. 1823. The painting hanging above the mantel is believed to be based on an 1823 portrait, also by Rembrandt Peale, on display in the Old Senate Chamber of the United States Capitol. From it, Peale

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painted 79 similar "porthole" portraits, some showing Washington in civilian dress and others showing him in uniform.

***Thomas Jefferson* by George P.A. Healy**
Oil on canvas, c. 1842-1860. This likeness, based on a c. 1810 life portrait by Gilbert Stuart, is part of series of presidential portraits commissioned in 1842 by French King Louis Philippe for the gallery at Versailles. The series was never delivered and was eventually acquired for the Corcoran Gallery of Art.

On loan from the National Gallery of Art, formerly the Corcoran Gallery of Art Collection, 1981.

***Winston Churchill* by Sir Jacob Epstein**
Bronze, 1946. In the 1940s, the British Ministry of Information commissioned six busts and statues of wartime leaders, the most notable being the 1946 bust of Winston Churchill. Churchill, as Prime Minister of Great Britain, stayed in the White House several times during World War II.

On loan from the United Kingdom Government Art Collection, 2017.

***Thomas Jefferson* by Rembrandt Peale**
Oil on canvas, 1800. This life portrait of Jefferson as Vice President was painted in Philadelphia less than a year before he assumed the presidency. It became the prototype for many American and European engravings and the most popular 19th century image of Jefferson.

***Abraham Lincoln* by Augustus Saint-Gaudens**
Bronze, c. 1923. In 1884, the sculptor was chosen to create a bronze statue of Lincoln for Chicago's Lincoln Park. The standing figure, with head slightly bent down, was considered one of the most successful and expressive likenesses, and was later recast on a smaller scale. Around 1923, several bust-size versions were made, of which this is example.

***Andrew Jackson* by Clark Mills**
White metal, 1855. On January 8, 1853, the 38th anniversary of the British defeat at New Orleans, an important sculpture of Major General Andrew Jackson was unveiled in the center of Lafayette Park with President Franklin Pierce in attendance. The statue was the first life-size bronze equestrian statue cast in the United States. This miniature version was purchased by the government in 1859 for the White House.

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Andrew Jackson by Ralph E.W. Earl
Oil on canvas, c. 1835. The artist was related by marriage to Andrew Jackson's wife, Rachel. Earl painted many portraits of President Jackson as well as other members of the family. Earl's portrait of Emily Donelson, who served as official hostess during the Jackson Administration, hangs in the Queens' Bedroom. Earl spent a great deal of time at the Jackson White House and used what is now the Queens' Bedroom, as a bedroom and studio. He is buried at the Hermitage, Jackson's home outside of Nashville, Tennessee.

The Bronco Buster by Frederic Remington
Bronze c. 1903. This popular western bronze has been on view in the Oval Office since it was given to the White House collection in 1973. The original design, copyrighted in 1895, was Remington's first work of sculpture.

Theodore Roosevelt by James Earle Fraser
Bronze, c. 1910. Theodore Roosevelt is portrayed in the neckerchief and uniform jacket worn when he was a Rough Rider (1st Cavalry Volunteers) in the Spanish-American War. The sculptor is best known for poignant Indian figure, The End of the Trail, and for his design of the buffalo nickel.

Abraham Lincoln by George Henry Story
Oil on canvas, c. 1915. This likeness is based on sketches Story made of President Lincoln in his White House office (now the Lincoln Bedroom) in June 1861.

THE ROOSEVELT ROOM

When the West Wing was constructed in 1902, the site of this room was the southeast corner of the building occupied by the President's office and anteroom. When the Wing was expanded to the south in 1909, the space became parts of two waiting rooms. When the Wing was expanded to the east in 1934, it assumed its present function as a centrally located conference room across the corridor from the repositioned Oval Office. It retained the painted wooden mantel which had been in the 1902 President's Room and was equipped with a skylight lit from a shaft passing through the Wing's new second floor.

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As a conference room, it was first called the "Fish Room" because of the aquariums and fishing mementos displayed by President Franklin D. Roosevelt. The tradition of this name was revived in the early 1960s when President John F. Kennedy hung a large mounted sailfish which he had caught in Acapulco.

The room was renamed the "Roosevelt Room" by President Richard Nixon in 1969 to honor the contributions of Theodore Roosevelt in erecting the West Wing and of Franklin D. Roosevelt in enlarging the Wing to its present size.

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***Theodore Roosevelt* by James Earle Fraser**
Bronze-patinated metal plaque, c. 1920. The sculptor best known for his Indian figure, The End of the Trail, and his design of the buffalo nickel. It includes a quotation attributed to Roosevelt–"Aggressive fighting for the right is the noblest sport the world affords." The plaque was acquired by the General Services Administration in 1969.

***Franklin D. Roosevelt* by John DeStefano**
Bronze, c. 1933. The profile bust portrait is surmounted by a spread-winged eagle and flanked by fasces, the Roman symbol of authority. The title panel includes a quotation from the Roman statesman Seneca–"I shall hold my rudder true."

On loan from the Franklin D. Roosevelt Library, 1969.

***Crossing the River Platte* by Worthington Whittredge**
Oil on canvas, c. 1871. Whittredge accompanied the 1865-66 General John Pope expedition, traveling across the Plains along the Platte River and Rocky Mountains from Kansas to New Mexico. Later in his New York studio, he painted this scene from sketches made during his travels showing Indians fording the river in what is now eastern Colorado.

***Franklin D. Roosevelt* by Alfred Jonniaux**
Oil on canvas, 1958. This posthumous likeness of Franklin Roosevelt was commissioned by his close friend and law partner, Basil "Doc" O'Connor, who helped Roosevelt establish the Georgia Warm Springs Foundation and the National Foundation for Infantile Paralysis (now called the March of Dimes Foundation). It has been on loan from the Franklin D. Roosevelt Library since 1978.

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***Eleanor Roosevelt* by Alva Museum Reproductions, after Victor Lamkay**
Composite stone, bronze patina, wood base, c. 1993. The original work was sculpted in 1962 and 1963. Sculptor Victor Lamkay had hoped to get permission for sittings with Mrs. Roosevelt, but she died before he could do so. From photographs, the artist was able to complete the bronze, now in the Franklin D. Roosevelt Library.

***Theodore Roosevelt* by Tade Styka**
Oil on canvas, 1909. Roosevelt is depicted in a tan uniform, possibly his Rough Rider outfit. This likeness is thought to have been painted from sittings in the artist's studio near Paris during Roosevelt's post-presidential tour of Europe, 1909.

***View of the City of Washington from the Virginia Shore* by William MacLeod**
Oil on canvas, 1856. The artist, who appears in the lower right foreground, painted this view of Washington from across the Potomac River near his native Alexandria, Virginia. Visible in the background are the unfinished Washington Monument, at the left; the U.S. Capitol with the earlier Bulfinch dome, at center; and the Washington Navy Yard, at the right.

***Our Vanishing Wildlife* by Alexander Pope**
Bronze, c. 1915-24. This sculpture of a bison battling three wolves was displayed by the artist at the Panama-Pacific Exposition in San Francisco in 1915 at which it was judged one of the best sculptures.

Nobel Peace Prize Medal
The medal was awarded to President Theodore Roosevelt in 1906 for his mediation of the Russo-Japanese War peace settlement. The first Nobel prize awarded to an American, it was a gift to the White House from the Theodore Roosevelt Association and presented to President Ronald Reagan in 1982 in the Roosevelt Room on the 125th anniversary of Theodore Roosevelt's birth.

Medal of Honor
Awarded posthumously to Theodore Roosevelt, January 16, 2001 to honor his heroism in the Spanish-American War, 1898. The medal was presented to President George W. Bush for the White House collection by Roosevelt family in ceremony held in the Roosevelt Room, September 16, 2002.

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Mantel Clock made by the Chelsea Clock Co., Boston Brass and pine, mid-20th century.
The circular brass ship's clock is set in a wooden frame.

THE WEST WING RECEPTION ROOM

When the West Wing was erected in 1902, a rectangular lobby was placed at the center of the north side of the building, opening directly to the driveway beneath a small porch. When the wing was expanded in 1909, it remained unchanged, while two adjacent rooms were converted into additional waiting rooms. In 1929, the Congressional Waiting Room became an office, while the General Waiting Room was absorbed into an enlarged T-shaped Lobby.

In 1934, when the President's Oval Office and the Cabinet Room were moved into the eastern extension of the West Wing, a new lobby was created at the center of the building with access through a narrow foyer leading to the north doorway. The somewhat informal character of this new lobby, which was a waiting room for both distinguished visitors and the press alike, was captured by artist Norman Rockwell in a four-panel illustration entitled, So You Want to See the President, drawn for the November 13, 1943 issue of the Saturday Evening Post.

With the construction of new press facilities in the West Terrace in 1970, the lobby was renovated to provide a smaller, more intimate reception room. The southern half of the room was walled off, becoming two staff offices entered from the south corridor.

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***The First Naval Action in the War of 1812* by William John Huggins**
Oil on canvas, 1816. This large maritime painting depicts the naval division of Commodore John Rodgers pursuing the British frigate H.M.S. Belvidera, five days after the United States had declared war on Great Britain in 1812. It is probably based on a sketch made by James Stilwell, an officer on the Belvidera.

***Rutland Falls, Vermont* by Frederic E. Church**
Oil on canvas, 1848. Considered part of the second generation of the Hudson River School, Church was a major 19th-century American landscape painter best known for [illegible] in

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North and South America. His landscapes were somewhat idealized with every aspect of nature depicted in great detail. A special emphasis was placed on light and cloud effects, often with very dramatic results.

***Shinnecock Hills, Long Island* by William Merritt Chase**
Oil on panel, 1900. Chase taught a successful summer art school at Shinnecock on the eastern end of Long Island, 1891-1902. Considered amongst his finest works are the paintings of the coastal landscape around his house and studio (designed by Stanford White), of which this is one.

***James Monroe* by Adrian Lamb, after Gilbert Stuart**
Oil on canvas, 1975. This likeness is a copy of a c. 1818-20 Gilbert Stuart portrait, now in the collection of the Metropolitan Museum of Art in New York.

***Emigrant Scene* attributed to William Henry Powell**
Oil on canvas, c. 1837. Powell found success as a portraitist and later as a painter of historical subjects. In 1847, he was selected to create the last painting for the U.S. Capitol Rotunda, replacing his former teacher, Henry Inman, who had died suddenly in 1846. Perhaps Powell's best known painting, this mammoth work entitled, Discovery of the Mississippi by De Soto, portrayed the Spanish explorer's arrival on May 8, 1541.

***Donner Lake from the Summit* by Edwin Deakin**
Oil on canvas, 1876. This panoramic view features Donner Lake, located in northeast California on the eastern edge of the Sierra Nevada mountain range. Deakin, an English-born artist, came to California in 1870 and established a studio in the San Francisco area, where he resided for the remainder of his life. He was best known for views of California's Spanish-era missions, Chinatown, and the aftermath of the 1906 earthquake.

***Vernal Falls, Yosemite* by Thomas Hill**
***Nevada Falls, Yosemite* by Thomas Hill,**
Oil on canvas, 1889. This pair of scenic paintings was created by Thomas Hill, an artist best known for his views of Yosemite Valley. Hill moved permanently to California in 1871, and in the 1880s, established a studio in Yosemite that today serves as the National Park Service visitor center.

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***Cannonading on the Potomac, October, 1861* by Alfred Wordsworth Thompson**
Oil on canvas, c. 1868-70. Thompson painted this American Civil War scene from sketches made of the Battle of Ball's Bluff, on the Potomac River near Leesburg, Virginia, on October 21, 1861. On the reverse side of the canvas is an inscription: "...Col. E[dward]. D. Baker, Commanding, was killed in this action." A U.S. Senator from Oregon, Baker was a longtime friend of Abraham Lincoln; the president's second son was his namesake. Among those wounded in this battle, a tactical blunder for the routed Federal troops, was Oliver Wendell Holmes, Jr., later a justice of the U.S. Supreme Court.

Bookcase
Mahogany, c. 1770, English. The bookcase holds bound copies of presidential documents.

THE PRESS BRIEFING ROOM

The current Press Room did not exist until President Richard Nixon converted the indoor swimming pool to the present day space. The indoor swimming pool, which still exists below the Press Room floor, was installed during President Franklin D. Roosevelt's administration in 1933 placed between the White House and the West Wing.

President Nixon started the conversion of the space into a lounge and press offices that could also serve as a press briefing room starting in 1969. Since 1970, the White House press corps have gathered in this space to listen to briefings and reports presented by the press secretary. The space was last updated in 2005 by President George W. Bush.

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The Eisenhower Executive Office Building (EEOB) is located next to the West Wing, and houses a majority of offices for White House staff. Originally built for the State, War, and Navy Departments between 1871 and 1888, the EEOB is an impressive building that commands a unique position in both our national history and architectural heritage.

Designed by Supervising Architect of the Treasury Alfred Mullett, the granite, slate, and cast iron exterior makes the EEOB one of America's best examples of the French Second Empire style of architecture. Construction took 17 years as the building slowly rose wing by wing. The EEOB was finished in 1888 and was the largest office building in Washington with nearly 2 miles of black and white tiled corridors.

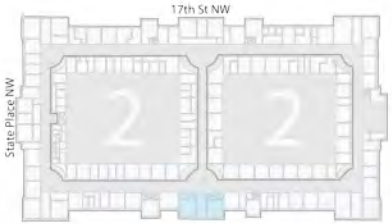
The Navy Department left in 1918 (except for the Secretary who stayed until 1921), followed by the War Department in 1938, and finally by the State Department in 1947. The White House began to move some of its offices across West Executive Avenue in 1939, and in 1949 the building was turned over to the Executive Office of the President and renamed the Executive Office Building. The building was designated a National Historic Landmark in 1969. The building continues to house various agencies that comprise the Executive Office of the President, such as the White House Office, the Office of the Vice President, the Office of Management and Budget, and the National Security Council.



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The Vice President's Ceremonial Office



The current Vice President's Ceremonial Office was originally used as the Secretary of Navy's office from 1879 to 1923. From 1923 to 1947, General John Pershing occupied the office initially as the Army Chief of Staff then as the Chairman of the Battle and Monuments Commission, becoming the longest single occupant of this room (24 years). Additionally, President Hoover used the office for three months following a Christmas Eve fire in the West Wing in 1929.

Since 1960 it has been used as the Vice President's Ceremonial Office with the exception of Vice President Hubert Humphrey, because Lyndon Johnson did not give up the office when he became President after the Kennedy assassination.

The current desk is part of the White House collection, and was commissioned to be built for Theodore Roosevelt's use in the Oval Office. Several important figures have used the desk including Presidents Taft, Wilson, Harding, Coolidge, and for a few months, Hoover. The desk was placed in storage early on during Herbert Hoover's Presidency where it remained until 1945 when President Truman then used it. Vice President Johnson and all subsequent Vice Presidents (except Hubert Humphrey) have used the desk. Since the 1940s, various users have signed the inside of the top drawer.



The top drawer has been signed by Vice Presidents Cheney, Gore, Quayle, Mondale, and Rockefeller; and Presidents Truman and Eisenhower.





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Secretary of War Suite



The Secretary of War Suite consists of ten rooms designed by Stephen Decatur Hatch, a prominent New York architect of the late 19th-century. Beginning in March of 1888, Secretary of War William Endicott occupied the suite. The suite would continue on to be occupied by 18 Secretaries of War until July 1939. Notable Secretaries of War included William Endicott, Elihu Root, William Howard Taft, and Henry Stimson.



History made in these rooms included the development, review, and acceptance of all plans of defense for our nation and our armed forces in times of conflict as well as in times of peace between 1888 and 1939. The War Department moved from the building between 1938–39. The Bureau of the Budget, newly established by Franklin Roosevelt's administration, immediately took possession of these rooms.

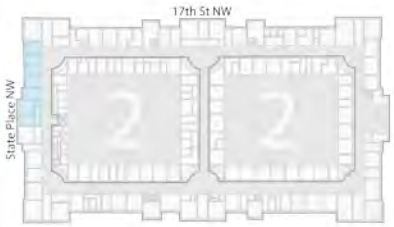
Another event of interest occurred in 1908, while in his office in what is now EEOB 230B, Secretary of War Taft received word by telephone that the Republican convention in Chicago had nominated him for the presidency.





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The Cordell Hull Room & the Diplomatic Reception Room



When the south wing of the State Department first opened in 1875, it had three spectacular rooms designed to be showplaces for the department. One of these was the office of the Secretary of State located at the center of the second floor with three windows opening onto the south portico and a view of the Potomac River. The other two rooms included the State Department Library (now the EOP Library) and the Diplomatic Reception Room (room 212, pictured upper right).

A total of 24 men served 25 terms as Secretary of State (James G. Blaine served as Secretary of State for two terms—the first term March 1881 to December 1881, and the second term March 1889 to June 1892) in the EEOB. Hamilton Fish was the first Secretary of State to serve in this office, from July 1875 to March 1877. He and his staff moved into the building before the wing was fully completed in December 1875.

Many important events have occurred in these rooms. In 1898, Secretary of State John Hay handed the Spanish ambassador his credentials and passport, thus signifying our declaration of war against Spain. During his term, Hay supported an American imperialist solution to the Spanish-American War, helped formulate the "Open Door" policy in China, arranged treaties to facilitate the building of the Panama Canal, and worked with President Roosevelt in settling the Russo-Japanese War.

On Sunday morning, December 7, 1941, Secretary of State Cordell Hull was in his office (pictured lower right) meeting with his aides and discussing the volatile situation in the Far East. The meeting was interrupted when intercepted messages between Japanese Foreign Minister Togo and Japanese Ambassadors to the US were delivered to Secretary Hull's office. After receiving a phone call from President Roosevelt informing him of a Japanese attack on Pearl Harbor, Secretary Hull met with the Japanese Ambassador. The next day, Congress declared war on Japan. Later, in 1942, the United Nations Declaration was drafted and signed in this room.

George Catlett Marshall was the last Secretary of State to serve in this office. Marshall oversaw the move of the Department of State staff from the EEOB to their new offices in Foggy Bottom, in the old War Department building, which was mostly complete by May 1947.





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The War Library / The Law Library



Originally designated as the War Department Library, the room was designed by Austrian-born Richard Ezdorf, a draftsman for the Supervising Architect of the Treasury, and completed in 1887. Ezdorf selected an eclectic mix of the French Renaissance, Classical, and Gothic Revival styles. Mixing elements of these styles was very popular in the late 19th-century and became characteristic of the high Victorian style.

The War Department's library collection included books, charts, maps, and photographs. This includes photographs and their negatives taken by Mathew Brady during the Civil War, which were acquired by the War Department in 1875 for $25,000 when financial difficulties forced Brady to sell them. The U.S. Signal Corps became responsible for the library in 1894, and the War Department occupied the space until 1938 when they vacated the building.

Between 1938 and 1970, the library was used for storage. In 1970, the library was renovated for use as a conference room. The library is currently used to house the Law Library for the Executive Office of the President.



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Indian Treaty Room



The Indian Treaty Room is located on the east wing's fourth floor and was originally the Navy Department Library. It was designed by Richard Ezdorf and was completed in 1880. The room does not resemble a library as we know it; the books were shelved in alcoves on two levels at each end adjacent to the main reading room. The Navy Department vacated the building between 1918 and 1921, with the library last to leave in 1923.

The Indian Treaty Room was later used for presidential press conferences from 1950 until 1961. President Eisenhower held the first televised presidential press conference in this room on January 19, 1955. Phone booths were located just outside the door to accommodate the press needing to call in their stories for late breaking news.

The room's designation as the "Indian Treaty Room" is one of the building's most interesting mysteries. It is not known how the room inherited its name despite considerable research. Its first mention in the press was in 1954, and many recall the days between 1923 and 1942 when the State Department used the room as storage space, and perhaps someone thought that treaties with Native American tribes were stored in the room.





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East Rotunda

Located on the West Executive Avenue, center corridor side of the EEOB, the East Rotunda was designed for the Department of Navy by Richard Ezdorf, chief draftsman for the Supervising Architect of the Treasury; completed in 1879.



West Rotunda

Located on the 17th Street, center corridor side of the EEOB, the West Rotunda was designed for the Department of War by Richard Ezdorf, chief draftsman for the Supervising Architect of the Treasury; completed in 1888.



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Truman Bowling Alley

On April 19, 1947, President Harry Truman was presented with the gift of two bowling lanes in the basement of the Executive Offices (today's West Wing where the Situation Room is presently located). The lanes came with an automatic pinsetter, which had been successfully introduced the year before at the 1946 American Bowling Congress (ABC) Tournament by AMF. In 1953, President Truman gave the lanes to the employees of the White House and the bowling alley first opened. In 1955, the lanes were moved from the West Wing's basement to the EEOB's basement.

President Richard Nixon was the most avid of the presidential bowlers, spending as many as four hours at a time rolling games.







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PPO has 25 more spots to use on the Australia State Arrival link (our friends in IGA had some extra spots!) The link expires at 6:00 p.m.

First come, first serve on this link:
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Thanks,
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Hi Darren,

Please see the attached Cabinet and Outreach Reports from VBA.

Thank you!

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Good afternoon (b)(6)

Thank you for sending me a copy of your resume.

Attached, please find the required vetting forms I mentioned. Once you complete the forms, please return them directly to me.

Please let me know if you have any questions or concerns.

Thank you,

Darren

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Research Questionnaire

Purpose: The purpose of this document is to expedite Presidential Personnel's vetting process. Please fill out the questionnaire with as much detail as possible. In the event that the question does not apply to you, please mark not applicable.

Please provide hyperlinks to any social media (Facebook, Twitter, LinkedIn, etc) account past/present. (Please note, that it is better not to go through your accounts and delete posts prior to the vetting process as the offending posts are often recoverable by the press in another form)

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Have you ever appeared on a political podcast? Talk radio/local radio? If yes, to the best of your ability, please provide as much information as possible regarding the program such as the name of the show, the host, the date it was aired/posted, the broadcaster and (If applicable) the hyperlink to the program.

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Have you ever appeared on any of the major cable networks (Fox, MSNBC, CNN, CNBC, etc.)? If yes, please list the network, the program, and, if possible, the date the program you appeared on was aired.

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Have you ever run for or held elected office? Served on your local or state party committee? If yes, please give the office held/sought, the dates and any other information you deem pertinent.

Have you given speeches on a controversial issue? Or addressed a political conference like CPAC, the RNC, the DNC or any other political organization. To the best of your ability, please list any speech that you have made in support of a candidate, policy issue, or before a political organization. If you are able, please provide a link to or a transcript of the speech. If the volume of speeches given is too great in connection with holding elected office, please give a general description of your speeches and the types of groups you've spoken before.

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While many candidates include a curriculum vitae, those documents often do not cover the full breadth of their writings. Have you ever maintained a blog? Written an opinion piece that appeared in a traditional newspaper like the Wall Street Journal or the New York Times? Written for an online publication like Breitbart, Newsmax, or Mother Jones? Please list any opinion pieces you have written, the publication they appeared in, and links to the pieces if possible. For personal blogs, providing the name and link is sufficient.

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21. MILITARY SERVICE (Rank, Branch, Years)		22. PREVIOUS PRESIDENTIAL APPOINTMENTS	

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From: Bossie, Darren J.
Sent: Thu, 19 Sep 2019 21:02:53 +0000
To: (b)(6), (b)(2) Sgt (b)(6), (b)(2)
Subject: RE: [EXTERNAL]

Good afternoon Sgt. (b)(6), (b)(2)

Please use the link below to submit your information to the US Secret Service. This will allow you to enter the White House Complex on September 28th.

Here is the link: https://events.whitehouse.gov/?rid=(b)(6)

Please let me know when this has been completed.

Thank you,

Darren

Darren Bossie
White House Liaison
Office of the Secretary
Department of Veterans Affairs
202-461-(b)(6)

-----Original Message-----
From: (b)(6), Sgt (b)(6), (b)(2) @usmc.mil>
Sent: Friday, September 13, 2019 9:13 AM
To: Bossie, Darren J. <(b)(6) @va.gov>
Subject: RE: [EXTERNAL]

Good Morning Mr. Bossie,

I must apologize again for the delayed response as I was out of town for a wedding and away from my email. After speaking with my chain of command for dates they were reluctant to give time during the week so Saturday's will have to do. I'm available to come up any Saturday this month, whichever works best for you i'll make it happen. Along with my recommendations is there anything else you would like me to bring?
Thank you very much and I look forward to our meeting.

Very Respectfully,

Sgt (b)(6), (b)(2) USMC
2D MarDiv HQBN
Cell (740)-972-(b)(6)
Work Email - (b)(6), (b)(2) @usmc.mil Home Email - (b)(6), (b)(2) @gmail.com

From: Bossie, Darren J. (b)(6) @va.gov]
Sent: Thursday, August 29, 2019 3:30 PM
To: (b)(6), (b)(2) Sgt (b)(6),

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Subject: [Non-DoD Source] RE: [EXTERNAL]

Good afternoon Sgt. (b)(6); (b)(2)

Thank you for providing me copies of your resume and cover letter. I look forward to reading your letters of recommendation.

At your earliest convenience, please send me a list of possible dates when you would be available to come to Washington DC for an in-person meeting. If possible, I would like to meet prior to you being deployed to California in October. Once you return after Thanksgiving , weather and holidays will become major obstacles.

I look forward to hearing back from you.

Thank you for your continued service to this country!

Darren Bossie
White House Liaison
Office of the Secretary
Department of Veterans Affairs
(O) 202-461 (b)(6)
(C) 202-400

-----Original Message-----
From: (b)(6); (b)(2) Sgt (b)(6); (b)(2) @usmc.mil>
Sent: Thursday, August 29, 2019 9:19 AM
To: Bossie, Darren J. (b)(6) va.gov>
Subject: RE: [EXTERNAL]

Good Morning Mr. Bossie,

I apologize for the late reply, I was sent strait to the field as soon as I returned back to work. Attached is my most recent resume and cover letter.
Unfortunately I am still waiting to receive my letters of rec's from the gentlemen on the resume but I will be sure to include them next email or bring them to DC with me. I should be able to make a trip up during the week or on a Saturday. I will be traveling to California from mid-October till thanksgiving for work though. I look forward to hearing back from you and setting up a face to face. Thank you very much.

Very Respectfully,

Sgt (b)(6); (b)(2) USMC
2D MarDiv HQBN
Cell (740)-972 (b)(6);
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-----Original Message-----
From: Bossie, Darren J. [mailto:(b)(6) @va.gov]
Sent: Monday, August 12, 2019 11:26 AM
To: (b)(6); Sgt (b)(6); (b)(2) @usmc.mil>
Subject: [Non-DoD Source] RE: [EXTERNAL]

Good morning Sgt. (b)(6); (b)(2)

Thank you for reaching out regarding a possible future position with the Department of Veterans Affairs. Please forward me a copy of your most recent resume, along with a brief cover letter outlining what areas you are interested

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in working. I would also like to sit down and talk face to face after I receive your resume and cover letter. Are you able to come back up to Washington DC during the week? If not, are you available to come up on a Saturday afternoon?

I look forward to reviewing your resume and discussing future opportunities with you.

Hopefully your mother had a great visit to Washington DC and a safe trip back to Columbus, OH.

Have a great day,

Darren Bossie
White House Liaison
Office of the Secretary
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(C) 202-400-

-----Original Message-----
From: (b)(6); Sgt (b)(6); (b)(2) @usmc.mil>
Sent: Monday, August 12, 2019 10:19 AM
To: Bossie, Darren J. -(b)(6) va.gov>
Subject: [EXTERNAL]

Good Morning Mr. Bossie,

My name is (b)(6); (b)(2) we met last Wednesday at the white house deli.
I would like to inquire any possible opportunities you may have for me, my EAS date is early September 2020. I do realize that is a year out and a little early to start looking but I would like to keep in contact with you throughout the year incase something does become available that may be a good fit. Please let me know if there is anything I can provide i.e. a resume. Thank you very much for your time and support.

Very Respectfully,

Sgt (b)(6); (b)(2) USMC
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From: Bossie, Darren J.
Sent: Mon, 23 Sep 2019 16:45:06 +0000
To: (b)(6)@greatlandloghomes.com
Subject: FW: [EXTERNAL] FW: White House Tour – REQUEST SUBMITTED

Good morning (b)(6)
Please use the link below to register for your upcoming White House East Wing tour.
Please let me know when you have completed the registration for both guests.
Thank you,
Darren
Darren Bossie
White House Liaison
Office of the Secretary
Department of Veterans Affairs

Sent with BlackBerry Work
(www.blackberry.com)

From: (b)(6) EOP/WHO (b)(6) @who.eop.gov>
Date: Sunday, Sep 22, 2019, 2:57 PM
To: Bossie, Darren J. (b)(6) va.gov>
Subject: [EXTERNAL] FW: White House Tour – REQUEST SUBMITTED

Here you are, sir. Please keep in mind the RSVP's close in three days.

Best,

(b)(6)

From: White House Tours - No Reply (b)(6) @who.eop.gov>
Sent: Sunday, September 22, 2019 2:57 PM
To: (b)(6) EOP/WHO (b)(6) @who.eop.gov>
Subject: White House Tour – REQUEST SUBMITTED



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THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

Hello,

A self-guided tour of the White House has been requested for the **Grant Cooper** group, (CS-(b)(6) or **2** guests on **10/22/2019** at **10:00 AM.**

Register your guests HERE by 9/25/2019 2:56 PM

What's Next?

		
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Sincerely,

White House Visitors Office

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From: (b)(6) VBAVACO
Sent: Mon, 23 Sep 2019 17:31:43 +0000
To: Bossie, Darren J.
Cc: McClelland, Teri, VBAVACO
Subject: RE: VA Weekly Cabinet Report
Attachments: VBA Cabinet Report.docx, Outreach Report as of 9-18-19 (Claims Clinic Identified).xlsx

Good Afternoon Darren!

Please see the attached Cabinet and Outreach Reports from VBA.

Thanks!

(b)(6)

Staff Assistant
Under Secretary for Benefits
Department of Veterans Affairs
Email: (b)(6) @va.gov

Office Phone: (202) 461-(b)(6)

From: Bossie, Darren J.
Sent: Friday, September 20, 2019 3:26 PM
To: (b)(6) @va.gov>; (b)(6) va.gov>; (b)(6) @va.gov> (b)(6) . (OGC) (b)(6) @va.gov>; (b)(6) @va.gov>; (b)(6) va.gov>; (b)(6) @va.gov>; (b)(6) VBAVACO <(b)(6) @va.gov>; Quill, Joshua J., VBAVACO <(b)(6) va.gov>; McClelland, Teri, VBAVACO (b)(6) @va.gov>; (b)(6) @va.gov>; (b)(6) <(b)(6) @va.gov>; (b)(6) @va.gov>; (b)(6) (b)(6) @va.gov>; (b)(6) @va.gov> (b)(6) (VACO) (b)(6) va.gov>; (b)(6) @va.gov>; Haverstock, Cathy <(b)(6) @va.gov>; (b)(6) @va.gov>; (b)(6) (b)(6) @va.gov>; (b)(6) @va.gov>; (b)(6) <(b)(6) @va.gov>; Sullivan, Kathleen <(b)(6) @va.gov>; Verschoor, Thayer (b)(6) @va.gov>; (b)(6) @va.gov>; (b)(6) (b)(6) @va.gov>; (b)(6) va.gov>
Cc: Powers, Pamela <(b)(6) @va.gov>; Syrek, Christopher D. (Chris) <(b)(6) @va.gov>; Lawrence, Paul R., VBAVACO <(b)(6) @va.gov>; Stone, Richard A., MD <(b)(6) @va.gov>; Reeves, Randy (b)(6) @va.gov>; Mason, Cheryl (b)(6) va.gov>; Hutton, James <(b)(6) @va.gov>; Glynn, Melissa S. va.gov>; Davis, Lynda <(b)(6) @va.gov>; Gfrerer, James <(b)(6) @va.gov>; Hayes-Byrd, Jacquelyn <(b)(6) @va.gov> (b)(6) @va.gov>; Brazell, Karen (b)(6) @va.gov>; (b)(6) @va.gov>; (b)(6) (b)(6) @va.gov>
Subject: VA Weekly Cabinet Report

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Good afternoon,

Please submit your White House Weekly Cabinet Report entries no later than **3pm Monday, September 23**. The inclusive dates for this report are **September 25 – October 22**.

Please include weekly updates regarding MISSION Act, Forever GI Bill, Blue Water Navy, burn pits/toxic exposure, PREVENTS Task Force, EHRM, meetings/hearings/events involving Members of Congress, upcoming travel, public appearances, and any other major items specific to your area.

Please let me know if you have any questions.

Thank you and have a great weekend!

Darren Bossie
White House Liaison
Office of the Secretary
202-461-(b)(6)

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From: Bossie, Darren J.
Sent: Thu, 26 Sep 2019 13:36:09 +0000
To: (b)(6) Sgt (b)(6)
Subject: New link for White House tour

Good morning Sgt. (b)(6)

Please use the link provided below to register for your White House tour on Saturday. This link will negate the previous link you submitted.

https://events.whitehouse.gov/?rid=(b)(6)

Please let me know when you have completed this.

Thank you,

Darren Bossie
White House Liaison
Office of the Secretary
Department of Veterans Affairs
Cell 202-400-(b)(6)

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From: Bossie, Darren J.
Sent: Mon, 30 Sep 2019 19:17:55 +0000
To: (b)(6)
Subject: RE: [EXTERNAL] Re: Additional Information Required - Schedule C Appointment

Good afternoon (b)(6)

Thank you for providing the requested information so quickly.

We will be in touch if we require additional information.

Respectfully,

Darren Bossie
White House Liaison
Office of the Secretary
Department of Veterans Affairs
202-461-(b)(6)

From: (b)(6) @gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, September 30, 2019 3:04 PM
To: (b)(6) @va.gov>
Cc: Bossie, Darren J. <(b)(6) @va.gov>; (b)(6) @va.gov>; (b)(6) (b)(6) @va.gov>; (b)(6) @va.gov>
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Re: Additional Information Required - Schedule C Appointment

Ms. (b)(6)

I have attached both my law school transcript and a certificate from the Supreme Court of Tennessee indicating the dates of my bar membership and that it is in good standing.

Let me know if I need to send you anything else. Thank you.

Sincerely,

(b)(6)

On Mon, Sep 30, 2019 at 2:56 PM (b)(6) @va.gov> wrote:

> Good Afternoon Mr. (b)(6)
>
> Thank you for the information provided. We will need some additional information to process your appointment. Please submit a copy of your transcript and bar membership which includes the dates. Please send this information by noon, tomorrow, October 1, 2019.
>
> Respectfully,

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(b)(6)
Human Resources Specialist
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From: (b)(6) VBAVACO
Sent: Tue, 1 Oct 2019 12:31:59 +0000
To: Bossie, Darren J.
Cc: McClelland, Teri, VBAVACO
Subject: Cabinet Report: October 2 - October 29, 2019
Attachments: Outreach Report as of 9-25-19 (Claims Clinic Identified).xlsx, VBA Cabinet Report.docx

Hi Darren,

Please see the attached Cabinet and Outreach Reports from VBA.

Thank you!

(b)(6)
Staff Assistant
Under Secretary for Benefits
Department of Veterans Affairs
Email: (b)(6) @va.gov

Office Phone: (202) 461 (b)(6)

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From: Bossie, Darren J.
Sent: Thu, 10 Oct 2019 20:10:04 +0000
To: (b)(6)@usna.edu
Subject: FW: [EXTERNAL] White House Tour – REQUEST SUBMITTED

Good afternoon Midshipmen (b)(6)

Thank you for your interest in a White House East Wing tour!

Please use the link highlighted below to submit your information, as well as the background information of your guest. The link expires on October 13th.

If you have any questions or need to change the date of your tour, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Thank you for your service to the nation!

Respectfully,

Darren Bossie
White House Liaison
Office of the Secretary
Department of Veterans Affairs
202-461-(b)(6)

From: White House Tours - No Reply <(b)(6)@who.eop.gov>
Sent: Thursday, October 10, 2019 1:12 PM
To: Bossie, Darren J. <(b)(6)@va.gov>; (b)(6)@who.eop.gov
Subject: [EXTERNAL] White House Tour – REQUEST SUBMITTED



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THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

Hello,

A self-guided tour of the White House has been requested for the **VA** group, (CS-2(b)(6) for **2** guests on **11/2/2019** at **10:00 AM.**

Register your guests HERE by 10/13/2019 1:11 PM

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Sincerely,

White House Visitors Office

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From: (b)(6) VBAVACO
Sent: Tue, 15 Oct 2019 13:59:05 +0000
To: Bossie, Darren J.
Cc: McClelland, Teri, VBAVACO
Subject: RE: VA Weekly Cabinet Report
Attachments: Outreach Report as of 10-8-19 (Claims Clinic Identified).xlsx, VBA Cabinet Report.docx

Good Morning Darren!

Please see the attached Cabinet and Outreach Reports from VBA.

Thanks!

(b)(6)

Staff Assistant
Under Secretary for Benefits
Department of Veterans Affairs
Email: (b)(6)@va.gov

Office Phone: (202) 461-(b)(6)

From: Bossie, Darren J. (b)(6)@va.gov>
Sent: Friday, October 11, 2019 3:14 PM
To: (b)(6)@va.gov>; (b)(6)@va.gov>; (b)(6)va.gov>; (b)(6) (OGC) (b)(6)@va.gov>; (b)(6)@va.gov>; (b)(6)@va.gov>; (b)(6)@va.gov>; (b)(6), VBAVACO (b)(6)@va.gov>; Quill, Joshua J., VBAVACO (b)(6)va.gov>; McClelland, Teri, VBAVACO (b)(6)@va.gov>; (b)(6)@va.gov>; (b)(6)@va.gov>; (b)(6)@va.gov>; (b)(6)@va.gov>; (b)(6)@va.gov>; (b)(6)@va.gov>; (b)(6)@va.gov>; (b)(6)@va.gov>; (b)(6)@va.gov>; (b)(6)@va.gov>; Haverstock, Cathy (b)(6)@va.gov>; (b)(6)@va.gov>; (b)(6)@va.gov>; (b)(6)@va.gov>; (b)(6)@va.gov>; (b)(6)@va.gov>; Sullivan, Kathleen (b)(6)@va.gov>; Verschoor, Thayer (b)(6)@va.gov>; (b)(6)@va.gov>; (b)(6)@va.gov>; (b)(6)@va.gov>; (b)(6)@va.gov>
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Subject: VA Weekly Cabinet Report

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Good afternoon!

Please submit your White House Weekly Cabinet Report entries no later than **3pm Tuesday, October 15**. The inclusive dates for this report are **October 16 – November 12**.

Please include weekly updates regarding MISSION Act, Forever GI Bill, Blue Water Navy, burn pits/toxic exposure, PREVENTS Task Force, EHRM, meetings/hearings/events involving Members of Congress, upcoming travel, public appearances, and any other major items specific to your area.

Please let me know if you have any questions.

Thank you and have a great weekend!

Darren

Darren Bossie
White House Liaison
Office of the Secretary
202-461(b)(6)

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From: (b)(6), VBAVACO
Sent: Mon, 21 Oct 2019 18:05:07 +0000
To: Bossie, Darren J.
Cc: McClelland, Teri, VBAVACO
Subject: RE: VA Weekly Cabinet Report
Attachments: Outreach Report as of 10-16-19 (Claims Clinics Identified).xlsx, VBA Cabinet Report.docx

Hi Darren!

Please see the attached Cabinet and Outreach Reports from VBA.

Thank you!

(b)(6)
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Email: (b)(6)@va.gov

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From: Bossie, Darren J. <(b)(6)va.gov>
Sent: Friday, October 18, 2019 11:03 AM
To: (b)(6)@va.gov>; (b)(6)@va.gov>; (b)(6)@va.gov>; (b)(6)[OGC) (b)(6)@va.gov>; (b)(6)@va.gov>; (b)(6)@va.gov>; (b)(6)@va.gov>; (b)(6)VBAVACO (b)(6)@va.gov>; McClelland, Teri, VBAVACO <(b)(6)@va.gov>; (b)(6)va.gov>; (b)(6)@va.gov>; (b)(6)@va.gov>; (b)(6)@va.gov>; (b)(6)@va.gov>; (b)(6)@va.gov>; (b)(6)VACO) (b)(6)@va.gov>; (b)(6)@va.gov>; Haverstock, Cathy <(b)(6)@va.gov>; (b)(6)@va.gov>; (b)(6)@va.gov>; (b)(6)@va.gov>; (b)(6)@va.gov>; (b)(6)@va.gov>; Sullivan, Kathleen (b)(6)@va.gov>; Verschoor, Thayer (b)(6)@va.gov>; (b)(6)@va.gov>; (b)(6)@va.gov>; (b)(6)@va.gov>
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Subject: VA Weekly Cabinet Report

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Good morning,

Please submit your White House Weekly Cabinet Report entries no later than **3pm Monday, October 21**. The inclusive dates for this report are **October 23 – November 19**.

Please include weekly updates regarding MISSION Act, Forever GI Bill, Blue Water Navy, burn pits/toxic exposure, PREVENTS Task Force, EHRM, meetings/hearings/events involving Members of Congress, upcoming travel, public appearances, and any other major items specific to your area.

Please let me know if you have any questions.

Thank you and have a great weekend!

Darren

Darren Bossie
White House Liaison
Office of the Secretary
202-461-(b)(6)

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From: Bossie, Darren J.
Sent: Mon, 21 Oct 2019 20:27:03 +0000
To: Hudson, William A SES OSD OGC (USA)
Subject: RE: VA
Attachments: PPO Research Questionnaire - Form.pdf, Appointee Information Sheet SKC_SES (Disclaimer Update) - March15_2018.pdf, smime.p7s

Good afternoon Bill!

Attached, please find the WH PPO vetting forms Chris Syrek mentioned in his email.

After completion, please return both documents directly to me along with an updated version of your resume.

I look forward to speaking with you either before or after the forms are sent over.

Thank you,

Darren

Darren Bossie
White House Liaison
Office of the Secretary
Department of Veterans Affairs
202-461-(b)(6)

From: Hudson, William A SES OSD OGC (USA) (b)(6) @mail.mil>
Sent: Monday, October 21, 2019 9:50 AM
To: Syrek, Christopher D. (Chris) <(b)(6) @va.gov>
Cc: Bossie, Darren J. <(b)(6) @va.gov>
Subject: [EXTERNAL] RE: VA

Thanks Chris, standing by. Really looking forward to coming over. And as discussed I am out a few days this week beginning Thursday in Charleston, S.C for my 40th Reunion from The Citadel but back Monday.

Darren, let me know a good time to call. Look forward to meeting you.

VR Bill

William A. Hudson, Jr.

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Senior Counsel
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From: Syrek, Christopher D. (Chris) <(b)(6)@va.gov>
Sent: Monday, October 21, 2019 9:19 AM
To: Hudson, William A SES OSD OGC (USA) <(b)(6)@mail.mil>
Cc: Bossie, Darren J. (b)(6)@va.gov>
Subject: [Non-DoD Source] VA

Bill,

Linking you up here with Darren Bossie, our White House Liaison who handles political personnel moves.

He will send you some forms to fill out to start the process.

Thanks,
Chris

Christopher D. Syrek
Deputy Chief of Staff
U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs
Washington, D.C. 20420 | (202) 461-(b)(6)

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Name:

Research Questionnaire

Purpose: The purpose of this document is to expedite Presidential Personnel's vetting process. Please fill out the questionnaire with as much detail as possible. In the event that the question does not apply to you, please mark not applicable.

Please provide hyperlinks to any social media (Facebook, Twitter, LinkedIn, etc) account past/present. (Please note, that it is better not to go through your accounts and delete posts prior to the vetting process as the offending posts are often recoverable by the press in another form)

Facebook:

Twitter:

Instagram:

LinkedIn:

YouTube:

Pinterest:

Misc:

Have you ever appeared on a political podcast? Talk radio/local radio? If yes, to the best of your ability, please provide as much information as possible regarding the program such as the name of the show, the host, the date it was aired/posted, the broadcaster and (If applicable) the hyperlink to the program.

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Have you ever appeared on any of the major cable networks (Fox, MSNBC, CNN, CNBC, etc.)? If yes, please list the network, the program, and, if possible, the date the program you appeared on was aired.

Have you ever testified before Congress? If so, please list the committee (and the subcommittee if applicable) you testified before and the date of the hearing.

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Have you ever run for or held elected office? Served on your local or state party committee? If yes, please give the office held/sought, the dates and any other information you deem pertinent.

Have you given speeches on a controversial issue? Or addressed a political conference like CPAC, the RNC, the DNC or any other political organization. To the best of your ability, please list any speech that you have made in support of a candidate, policy issue, or before a political organization. If you are able, please provide a link to or a transcript of the speech. If the volume of speeches given is too great in connection with holding elected office, please give a general description of your speeches and the types of groups you've spoken before.

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While many candidates include a curriculum vitae, those documents often do not cover the full breadth of their writings. Have you ever maintained a blog? Written an opinion piece that appeared in a traditional newspaper like the Wall Street Journal or the New York Times? Written for an online publication like Breitbart, Newsmax, or Mother Jones? Please list any opinion pieces you have written, the publication they appeared in, and links to the pieces if possible. For personal blogs, providing the name and link is sufficient.

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The White House
Presidential Personnel Office

SKC/SES BIO SHEET

NOTICE: This information is necessary to begin the clearance process. Please return to the White House Liaison once completed.

PART I: PERSONAL INFORMATION (TO BE COMPLETED BY THE CANDIDATE)			
1. FULL NAME (Last, First, Middle):			2. SOCIAL SECURITY NUMBER:
3. CURRENT RESIDENTIAL ADDRESS (Number, Street, City, State, ZIP Code)			
4. VOTING ADDRESS IN 2016 (Number, Street, City, State, ZIP Code, if different than current address)			
5. PLACE OF BIRTH (City, State; if not U.S., state, country)		6. GENDER	7. DATE OF BIRTH
8. ETHNIC HERITAGE		9. RACE	10. POLITICAL PARTY
11. HOME PHONE	12. CELL PHONE		13. WORK PHONE
14. PERSONAL EMAIL		15. WORK EMAIL	
16. CURRENT POSITION (Title, Company)		17. WORK ADDRESS (Number, Street, City, State, Zip)	
18. LIST ALL SOCIAL MEDIA ACCOUNTS (Include URLs)			
19. EDUCATION (Degree, Institution, Year)		20. AWARDS	
21. MILITARY SERVICE (Rank, Branch, Years)		22. PREVIOUS PRESIDENTIAL APPOINTMENTS	

PART II: POSITION INFORMATION (TO BE COMPLETED BY WHITE HOUSE LIAISON)		
1. POSITION TITLE	2. AGENCY	
2. APPOINTMENT TYPE	3. GRADE	4. OPM NUMBER
5. WH LIAISON NAME	6. WH LIAISON PHONE	7. WH LIAISON EMAIL

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From: Bossie, Darren J.
Sent: Tue, 22 Oct 2019 20:56:26 +0000
To: (b)(6) CIV SD
Cc: Mashburn, John K.; (b)(6) @mail.mil
Subject: RE: Advisory Committee on Arlington National Cemetery
Attachments: smime.p7s

Good afternoon (b)(6)

Thank you for sending this over.

Secretary Wilkie is definitely interested in appointing someone to the Advisory Committee on Arlington National Cemetery. I will be in touch once we have a candidate.

Thank you again,

Darren

Darren Bossie
White House Liaison
Office of the Secretary
Department of Veterans Affairs
202-461-4(b)(6)

From: (b)(6) CIV SD <(b)(6) @sd.mil>
Sent: Monday, October 21, 2019 4:54 PM
To: Bossie, Darren J. (b)(6) va.gov>
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Advisory Committee on Arlington National Cemetery

Hi Darren,

I understand that you are the "new" WHLO at VA.

DoD runs the Advisory Committee on Arlington National Cemetery. Of the potential nine members of the committee, one member is to be nominated by the Secretary of Veterans Affairs. The last appointment the Secretary of VA made to this committee was in 2012. Would Sec Wilkie like to appoint an individual to this committee? Please see attached charter and member balance plan for your consideration.

Best,

(b)(6)

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(b)(6)

Senior Advisor to the

DoD White House Liaison

Wk: 703-692-(b)(6)

Cell: 703-380-(b)(6)

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From: Bossie, Darren J.
Sent: Tue, 22 Oct 2019 21:02:31 +0000
To: (b)(6) CIV OSD OUSD R-E (USA)
Cc: Mashburn, John K.
Subject: RE: Arlington Cemetery
Attachments: smime.p7s

(b)(6) Thank you for this information. We will try to come up with a nominee as soon as possible!

Darren

From: (b)(6) CIV OSD OUSD R-E (USA) (b)(6) @mail.mil>
Sent: Tuesday, October 22, 2019 2:21 PM
To: Mashburn, John K. (b)(6) @va.gov>; Bossie, Darren J. <(b)(6) @va.gov>
Cc: (b)(6) CIV SD (b)(6) @sd.mil>
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Arlington Cemetery

Mash, Darren-

Some information on the Advisory Committee on Arlington National Cemetery. I've too copied (b)(6) (b)(6) a new member of the (b)(6) staff in White House Liaison who has taken on the portfolio of DoD boards and committees.

Chet Edwards is the currently serving member nominated by the VA Secretary, appointed in 2012. A former Congressman from Texas, and of the Texas State Senate, his Wikipedia page: https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Chet_Edwards

Short bio: **Chet Edwards** — Representative from Texas, U.S. House of Representatives, 1991-2010. While in Congress, Edwards was a champion for issues impacting service members, veterans and their families. His dedication to improving services and to the welfare of our nation's veterans is notable by his 2009 legislation which provided full college scholarships for all military children who have lost a parent in service to our nation since Sept. 11, 2001.

And a link to other current members: https://www.arlingtoncemetery.mil/About/Advisory-Committee-on-Arlington-National-Cemetery/Members

I've attached the charter. Here is an excerpt specifically stating that one member comes from VA:
The Committee will be composed of no more than nine members, who are eminent authorities in their respective fields of interest or expertise, specifically bereavement practices and administrative oversight, the erection of memorials, and master planning for extending the life of a cemetery. Of the potential nine members, **one member will be nominated by the Secretary of Veterans Affairs**; one member will be nominated by the Secretary of the American Battle Monuments Commission; and no more than seven members will be nominated by the Secretary of the Army.

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Lastly, a screencap of those on the board and their original assignment dates. This link is to those current (though it marks as the current appointment instead of when they were first placed): https://www.facadatabase.gov/FACA/FACAPublicViewCommitteeDetails?id=a10t0000001gznSAAQ

Respectfully,

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Special Assistant to the USD(R&E)
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(b)(6)@osdj.ic.gov

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From: Bossie, Darren J.
Sent: Wed, 23 Oct 2019 14:13:41 +0000
To: (b)(6)@whmo.mil
Subject: FW: [EXTERNAL] FW: Medal of Honor Invitation - Master Sergeant Matthew O. Williams, U.S. Army, Wednesday, October 30, 2019
Attachments: White House Map.pdf, Invitation.pdf, Clearance Request Form MOH 103019.xlsx

Good morning MSgt (b)(6)

Thank you for the invitation to the Medal of Honor Ceremony being held on October 30, 2019 at the White House.

Attached, please find the completed Clearance Request Form for all four appointees attending from the Department of Veterans Affairs.

Please let me know if you require any additional information.

Respectfully,

Darren Bossie
White House Liaison
Office of the Secretary
Department of Veterans Affairs
202-461-(b)(6)

From: (b)(6) EOP/WHO <(b)(6)@who.eop.gov>
Sent: Tuesday, October 22, 2019 1:06 PM
To: Bossie, Darren J. (b)(6)va.gov>
Subject: [EXTERNAL] FW: Medal of Honor Invitation - Master Sergeant Matthew O. Williams, U.S. Army, Wednesday, October 30, 2019

Darren,

Please see below regarding your request for tickets to the Medal of Honor Ceremony. Please note the quick turnaround on this!

Best,

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From: (b)(6) EOP/WHO (b)(6)@who.eop.gov>
Sent: Tuesday, October 22, 2019 1:01 PM
To: (b)(6) EOP/WHO <(b)(6)@who.eop.gov>
Subject: Fwd: Medal of Honor Invitation - Master Sergeant Matthew O. Williams, U.S. Army, Wednesday, October 30, 2019

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Waves needs to be completed by tomorrow for this.

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Begin forwarded message:

From: "(b)(6) MSgt USAF WHMO/HQ" <(b)(6) @whmo.mil>
Date: October 22, 2019 at 12:19:39 PM EDT
To: '(b)(6) EOP/WHO"(b)(6) @who.eop.gov>
Subject: FW: Medal of Honor Invitation - Master Sergeant Matthew O. Williams, U.S. Army, Wednesday, October 30, 2019

Hi (b)(6)

Yes, I can accommodate 4 seats for them. Please see attached invite. They will need to complete the attached WAVES form and return to me by tomorrow.

Best,
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(b)(6) MSgt, USAF
Deputy Director, Ceremonies
White House Military Office
1600 Pennsylvania Avenue
East Wing, Room 206
Washington, DC 20502
Tel: (202) 757-(b)(6)
Cell: (202) 814(b)(6)
Email: (b)(6) @whmo.mil

On Wednesday, October 30, 2019, President Donald J. Trump will award the Medal of Honor to Master Sergeant Matthew O. Williams, U.S. Army, for conspicuous gallantry. Then-Sergeant Williams distinguished himself by extraordinary heroism on April 6, 2008, while serving as Weapons Sergeant, Special Forces Operational Detachment Alpha 3336, Special Operations Task Force-33, in support of Operation ENDURING FREEDOM.

Gates will open at 3:45 p.m., guests should arrive NLT 4:15 p.m., and the ceremony will start at ~5:00 p.m.

The White House Press Release can be found at the following link: https://www.whitehouse.gov/briefings-statements/president-donald-j-trump-award-medal-honor-9/

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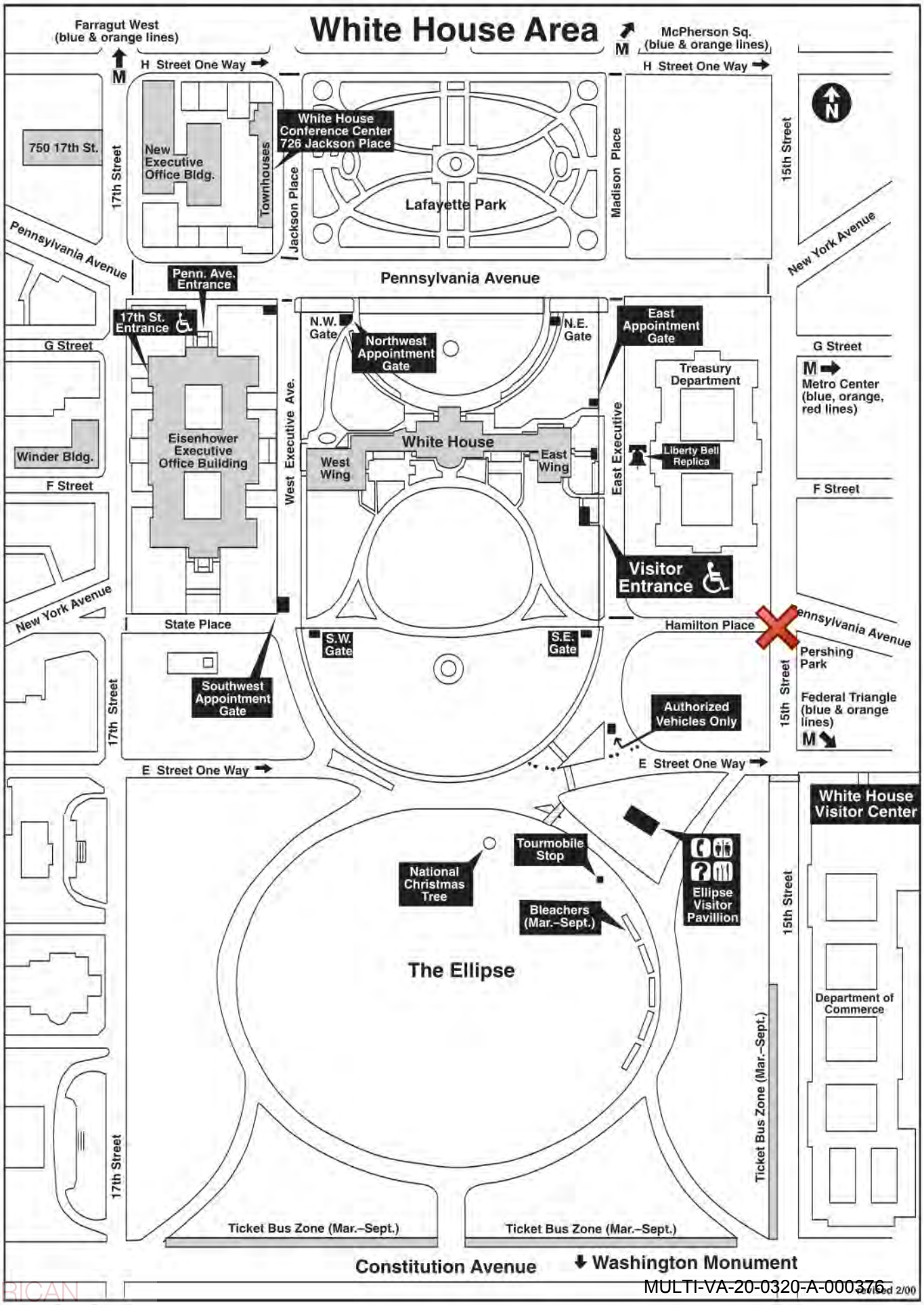
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If your principal is able to attend, please complete the attached Clearance Request Form and return to me no later than noon on October 23, 2019.

Best wishes,
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Please provide your principal's response

no later than noon on

Wednesday, October 23, 2019

Please respond to

(b)(6) @whmo.mil

or (202) 757-(b)(6)

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Last_Name	First_Name	Middle_Name	DOB	SSN	Citizen	Country	Gender	City	State
Bader	Christine	Elizabeth		(b)(6)	Y	US	F	McLean	VA
Hayes-Byrd	Jacquelyn	Denise			Y	US	F	Upper Marlboro	MD
Bossie	Darren	John			Y	US	M	Annapolis	MD
(b)(6)					Y	US	M	Washington	DC

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Note: **250** visitor's is the maximum allowed.

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From: Bossie, Darren J.
Sent: Wed, 23 Oct 2019 14:17:24 +0000
To: (b)(6)
Subject: FW: [EXTERNAL] FW: Medal of Honor Invitation - Master Sergeant Matthew O. Williams, U.S. Army, Wednesday, October 30, 2019
Attachments: White House Map.pdf, Invitation.pdf

Good morning (b)(6)

I have sent the White House Military Office your RSVP to this event. Attached, please find the formal invitation.

I will let you know when I get confirmation.

Thanks,

Darren

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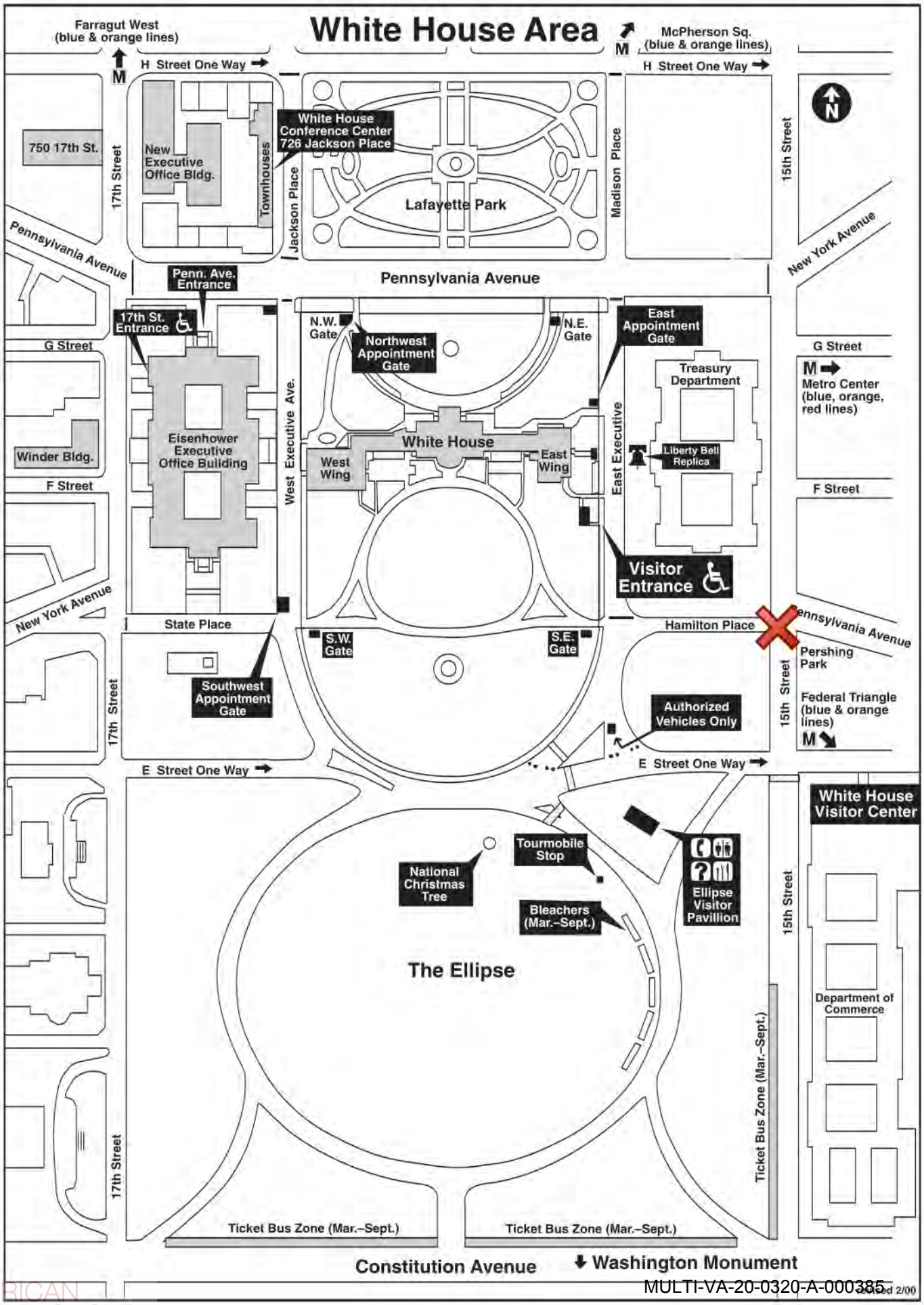
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Best wishes,
(b)(6)

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From: Bossie, Darren J.
Sent: Wed, 23 Oct 2019 20:20:26 +0000
To: (b)(6); (b)(2) - Vanguard Advisors LLC
Subject: RE: [EXTERNAL] RE: Connecting for next steps

Good afternoon (b)(6);
Melissa Glynn just signed off on your position description yesterday. I'm waiting to hear from VA HR as to when the concurrence process will begin.
I hope to have news for you in a few weeks.
Thank you and have a great day,
Darren

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(www.blackberry.com)

From: (b)(6); (b)(2) - Vanguard Advisors LLC <(b)(6); (b)(2)@Vanguard-LLC.com>
Date: Wednesday, Oct 23, 2019, 3:39 PM
To: Bossie, Darren J. <(b)(6)@va.gov>
Cc: (b)(6); (b)(2)@vanguard-llc.com <(b)(6); (b)(2)@vanguard-llc.com>
Subject: RE: [EXTERNAL] RE: Connecting for next steps

Darren, trust all is well. Any update on status please?

Vr, (b)(6); (b)(2)

From: Bossie, Darren J. [mailto(b)(6)@va.gov]
Sent: Tuesday, October 8, 2019 3:29 PM
To: (b)(6); (b)(2) - Vanguard Advisors LLC
Subject: RE: [EXTERNAL] RE: Connecting for next steps

Thank you for the quick turnaround!

From: (b)(6); (b)(2) - Vanguard Advisors LLC <(b)(6); (b)(2)@Vanguard-LLC.com>
Sent: Tuesday, October 8, 2019 1:18 PM
To: Bossie, Darren J. <(b)(6)@va.gov>
Cc: (b)(6); (b)(2)@vanguard-llc.com
Subject: RE: [EXTERNAL] RE: Connecting for next steps
Importance: High

Good afternoon Darren, hope all is well.

Per your request, attached please find pdf copies of random Vanguard Advisors LLC monthly pay stubs from 2015-2019 that specify my gross monthly base salary.

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I am encouraged on progress with finalizing the position description.

Please let me know if you require anything further at this time. I will continue to stand by.

Vr,
(b)(6); (b)(2)
703-593-(b)(6); (b)(2) m

From: Bossie, Darren J. [mailto:(b)(6) @va.gov]
Sent: Tuesday, October 8, 2019 9:12 AM
To: (b)(6); (b)(2) - Vanguard Advisors LLC
Subject: RE: [EXTERNAL] RE: Connecting for next steps

Good morning (b)(6); (b)(2)

Please send me your 5 year salary history. VA HR needs this information to determine which NC-SES pay band you fall into.

The Office of Enterprise Integration (OEI) should be finishing up working on your Position Description (PD) shortly.

Thank you,

Darren

From: (b)(6); (b)(2) - Vanguard Advisors LLC <(b)(6); (b)(2) @Vanguard-LLC.com>
Sent: Friday, October 4, 2019 2:25 PM
To: Bossie, Darren J. (b)(6) @va.gov>
Cc: (b)(6); (b)(2) @vanguard-llc.com
Subject: RE: [EXTERNAL] RE: Connecting for next steps

Mr. Bossie, thank you for your reply with the current status regarding my appointment. I appreciate your assistance and will stand by for next steps.

Have a good weekend sir.

Vr, (b)(6); (b)(2)

From: Bossie, Darren J. [mailto:(b)(6) @va.gov]
Sent: Friday, October 4, 2019 1:37 PM
To: (b)(6); (b)(2)
Subject: RE: [EXTERNAL] RE: Connecting for next steps

Good afternoon (b)(6); (b)(2)

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I apologize for the lack of updates. Unfortunately, I have no update to give you at this time. There is a snag somewhere along the line, and I am currently working to keep your appointment moving!

If we need additional information, I will let you know.

Hopefully next week shows movement from HR. If so, I will let you know.

Thank you for your patience and have a great weekend!

Darren

Darren Bossie
White House Liaison
Office of the Secretary
Department of Veterans Affairs
202-461-(b)(6)

From: (b)(6); (b)(2) @vanguard-llc.com>
Sent: Friday, October 4, 2019 8:37 AM
To: Glynn, Melissa S. <(b)(6) @va.gov>; Bossie, Darren J. <(b)(6) @va.gov>
Cc: (b)(6); (b)(2) - Vanguard Advisors LLC' (b)(6); (b)(2) Vanguard-LLC.com>
Subject: [EXTERNAL] RE: Connecting for next steps

Good morning Mr. Bossie, hope all is well.

I understand from Dr. Glynn that I was recently cleared by the WH. She asked me to reach out to you to coordinate next steps.

Please advise. Thank you.

Vr,

(b)(6); (b)(2)
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From: (b)(6); (b)(2) - Vanguard Advisors LLC [mailto:(b)(6); (b)(2) @Vanguard-LLC.com]
Sent: Tuesday, September 17, 2019 4:58 PM
To: 'Glynn, Melissa S.'; 'Bossie, Darren J.'
Cc: (b)(6); (b)(2) @vanguard-llc.com
Subject: RE: Connecting

Thank you ma'am, and greetings Mr. Bossie.

I will stand by for further guidance and next steps.

Vr, (b)(6), (b)(2)

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From: Glynn, Melissa S. [mailto:(b)(6) @va.gov]
Sent: Tuesday, September 17, 2019 4:44 PM
To: Bossie, Darren J.; (b)(6)
Subject: Connecting

Hi (b)(6)
Darren Bossie is VA's White House Liaison and will coordinate vetting efforts. I wanted to connect you so you may be in touch directly.

Best regards
Melissa

Melissa S. Glynn, Ph.D.
Assistant Secretary
Office of Enterprise Integration

(202) 461-5(b)(6) Office
(202) 853-(Cell

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From: Bossie, Darren J.
Sent: Thu, 24 Oct 2019 15:57:55 +0000
To: (b)(6)
Subject: FW: White House Tour – REQUEST SUBMITTED

Good morning Midshipmen (b)(6)

Below, please find the registration link for the rescheduled White House East Wing tour. All guests must register by 11:30am on 10/27/19.

Please let me know if you have any questions.

Thank you,

(b)(6)
White House Liaison
Office of the Secretary
Department of Veterans Affairs
202-461-(b)(6)

From: (b)(6) EOP/WHO <(b)(6) @who.eop.gov>
Sent: Thursday, October 24, 2019 11:31 AM
To: Bossie, Darren J.(b)(6) @va.gov>
Subject: [EXTERNAL] FW: White House Tour – REQUEST SUBMITTED

Rescheduled East Wing tour!

Best,

(b)(6)

From: White House Tours - No Reply (b)(6) @who.eop.gov>
Sent: Thursday, October 24, 2019 11:30 AM
To: (b)(6) @va.gov; (b)(6) EOP/WHO <(b)(6) @who.eop.gov>
Subject: White House Tour – REQUEST SUBMITTED

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THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

Hello,

A self-guided tour of the White House has been requested for the **Veterans Affairs** group, (CS-[redacted](b)(6) for **6** guests on **11/16/2019** at **10:00 AM.**

Register your guests HERE by 10/27/2019 11:29 AM

What's Next?

Invite Your Guests!	**Track Responses**	**Print Boarding Pass**
Register	Guest List	Boarding Pass

Sincerely,

White House Visitors Office

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From: Bossie, Darren J.
Sent: Fri, 25 Oct 2019 18:44:43 +0000
To: (b)(6); (b)(2) Vanguard Advisors LLC
Cc: Glynn, Melissa S.
Subject: FW: Non-Career SES position for OEI

Per our discussion!

From: Bossie, Darren J.
Sent: Friday, October 25, 2019 2:25 PM
To: (b)(6) @va.gov>
Cc: Glynn, Melissa S. <(b)(6) @va.gov>
Subject: RE: Non-Career SES position for OEI

Good afternoon (b)(6)

Unfortunately, (b)(6); (b)(2) still has a ways to go before we come up with a date for onboarding. Debra still needs to go thru the VA concurrence process, then obtain White House sign off, and finally OPM approval. The only clearance she has so far has been the political vetting by White House PPO.

None of these next steps could begin until the Position Description (PD) was finalized by OEI. CSEMO should have the concurrence package moving shortly. After ExecSec, the concurrence package comes to me, then DCoS, CoS, and finally the Secretary for signature. After the Secretary signs off, the package heads to the White House for approval, followed by OPM.

Hopefully this update helps to clarify her status!

Have a great weekend!

Darren

Darren Bossie
White House Liaison
Office of the Secretary
202-461-(b)(6)

From: (b)(6) va.gov>
Sent: Friday, October 25, 2019 1:56 PM
To: Bossie, Darren J. (b)(6) @va.gov>
Subject: RE: Non-Career SES position for OEI
Importance: High

Hi Darren,

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I checking to see I we have the go ahead to prepare the non-career for OEI?

(b)(6)

Senior Human Resource Specialist (Classification and Recruitmant&Placement)
Corporate Senior Executive Management Office
Office of Human Resouces and Administration
Office (202) 461-(b)(6)

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VA Core Characteristics: Trustworthy | Accessible | Quality | Innovative | Agile | Integrated

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From: (b)(6) @va.gov>
Sent: Friday, October 25, 2019 1:38 PM
To: T(b)(6) @va.gov>
Cc: (b)(6) @va.gov>; Bossie, Darren J. <(b)(6) va.gov>; V(b)(6) (VACO) <(b)(6) @va.gov>
Subject: RE: Non-Career SES position for OEI

Hi (b)(6)

Do we know what date we are targeting for onboarding? Also, are we responsible for all onboarding activities?

Thanks!

(b)(6)

From: (b)(6)
Sent: Wednesday, October 23, 2019 9:38 AM
To: (b)(6) @va.gov>
Cc: (b)(6) @va.gov>; (b)(6) @va.gov>; (b)(6)

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(b)(6) (VACO) <(b)(6) va.gov>
Subject: FW: Non-Career SES position for OEI

Hi (b)(6) forgot to add (b)(6) -sorry!

(b)(6)

From: (b)(6)
Sent: Wednesday, October 23, 2019 9:36 AM
To: (b)(6) va.gov>
Cc: (b)(6) (VACO) <(b)(6) @va.gov>
Subject: RE: Non-Career SES position for OEI

Hi (b)(6)

Please see the signed PD attached. Thanks!

(b)(6)

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From: Bossie, Darren J.
Sent: Fri, 25 Oct 2019 21:32:30 +0000
To: (b)(6)
Subject: FW: [EXTERNAL] FW: West Wing Tour Request
Attachments: West Wing Tour Guidelines and Maps.pdf, West Wing and EEOB Historical Guides.pdf

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(www.blackberry.com)

From: (b)(6) EOP/WHO <(b)(6) @who.eop.gov>
Date: Friday, Oct 25, 2019, 2:52 PM
To: Bossie, Darren J. (b)(6) va.gov>
Subject: [EXTERNAL] FW: West Wing Tour Request

From: White House Management Office (b)(6) eop.gov>
Sent: Friday, October 25, 2019 2:49 PM
To: (b)(6) EOP/WHO <(b)(6) @who.eop.gov>
Subject: West Wing Tour Request

Hello,

(b)(6) scheduled to guide the following tour on Friday, November 22, 2019 at 10:00 PM for 6 guests.

Please share the attached West Wing Tour Guidelines with your guest(s). As a reminder, all guests should wear clothing appropriate to the nature of the West Wing. While photography is allowed outside the West Wing and inside the Press Briefing Room, photography is strictly prohibited inside the West Wing and in the Rose Garden.

Staff are responsible for submitting their guests' WAVES. Guests must submit their WAVES information at this link: RSVP Link. To manage your RSVPs please visit the Appointment Center.

Tour guests are authorized to enter the EEOB and West Wing only. West Wing tour guests are not allowed on the White House tour route. White House tours must be booked separately on the White House Staff Portal. Failure to comply with these guidelines may result in the revocation of West Wing tour privileges.

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If you need to cancel your tour, change the tour guide, or reduce the number of scheduled guests, please click here. Failure to cancel a tour may result in reduced tour privileges.

Thank you,

White House Management Office

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WEST WING TOUR GUIDELINES

IDENTIFICATION

All guests 18 years of age or older will be required to present a valid, government-issued photo identification (detailed below). All foreign nationals must present their passport, regardless of age. All other forms of foreign identification will not be accepted.

- Valid government-issued United States identification card (e.g. drivers license, military ID).
- Valid United States or other official government-issued passports.

All information submitted (e.g. name, date of birth, city, etc.) must exactly match the government-issued photo ID presented when arriving at the White House. No other forms of identification will be accepted; photocopies, expired IDs, or other transmissions of these documents are NOT valid.

PROHIBITED ITEMS

The following items are prohibited:

- Any pointed objects, including pocket knives.
- Food or beverages, tobacco products, and personal grooming items (i.e. makeup, lotion, etc.).
- Aerosol containers.
- Guns, ammunition, fireworks, electric stun guns, mace, martial arts weapons/devices, and knives of any size.

PERMITTED ITEMS

Umbrellas, wallet, cell phones, and car keys are permitted. However, guests will not be allowed to use cell phones inside the White House.

All items needed for medical purposes will be permitted on the tour (e.g. wheelchairs, electric scooters, glucose tablets, EpiPens, etc.).

PARKING AND TRANSPORTATION

Limited street parking is available on New York Avenue and use of public transportation is strongly encouraged. The closest metro stops to the entrance are Farragut North and Farragut West.

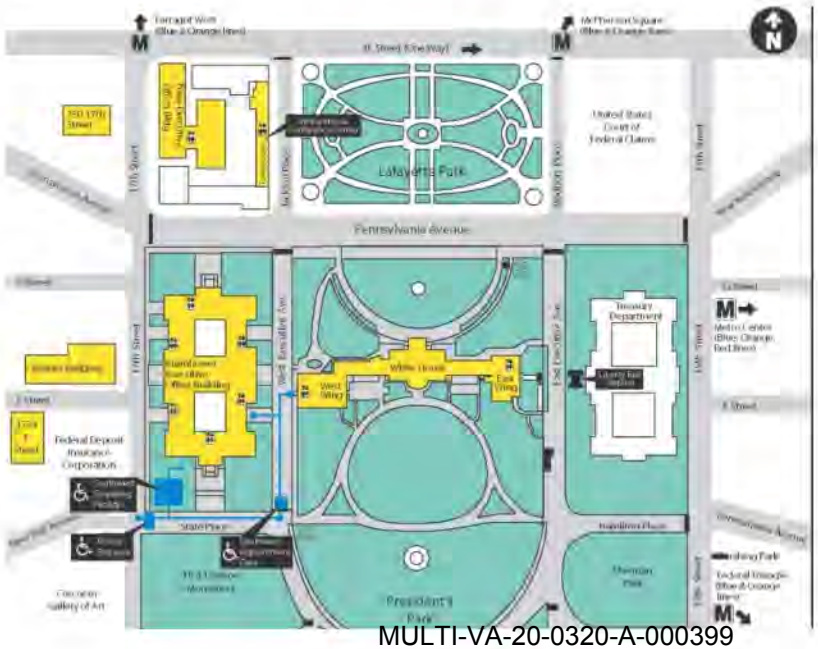
OTHER INFORMATION

Please consider the following during your preparations:

- Guests, including children, should wear clothing appropriate for the nature of the West Wing – business or business casual. **Jeans and shorts are not allowed**.
- Guests will be standing outside when waiting in line.
- Photography is permitted when outside of the West Wing (except the Rose Garden) or in the Press Briefing Room. Photography is prohibited while inside of the West Wing.
- If needed, guests that require use of a wheelchair will be provided with one at the entrance.
- Tour guides must stay with their guests for the entire duration of the tour.

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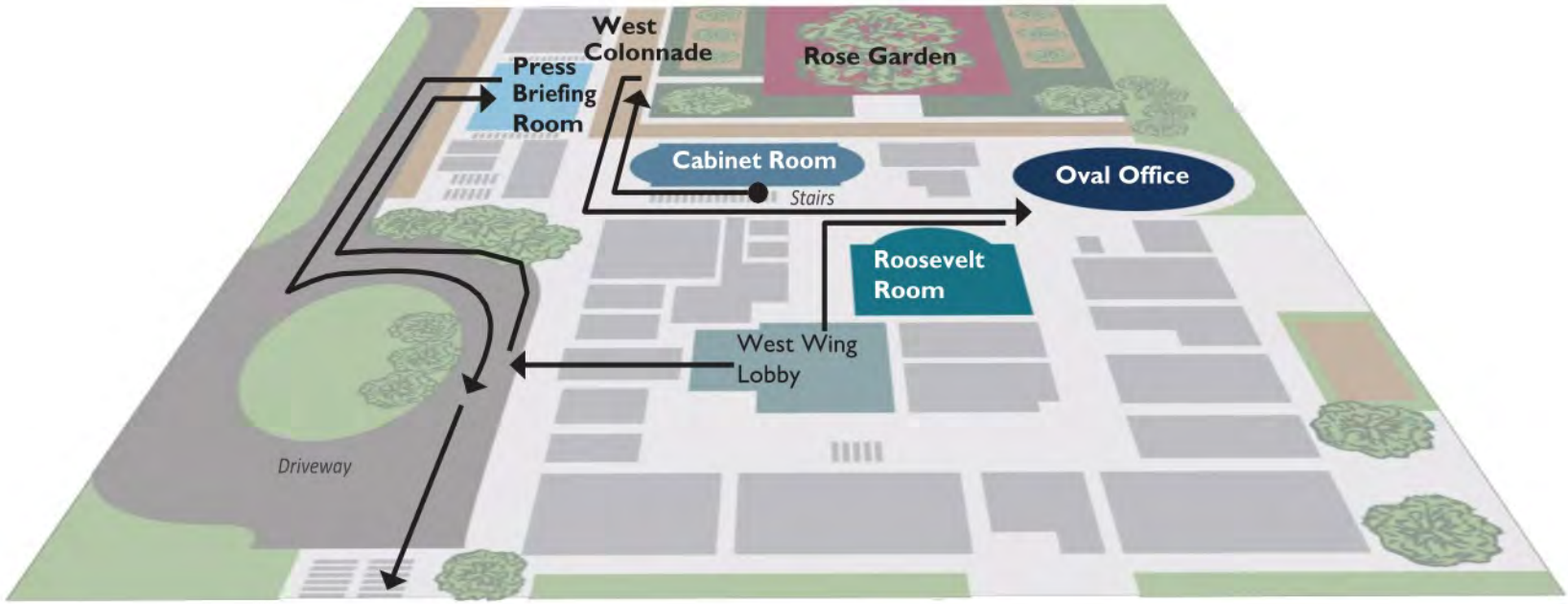
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OVAL OFFICE

The Oval Office was moved from its original location in the center of the southern façade to its current location in the southeast corner. Highlights include the Presidential coat of arms in the ceiling and the Resolute Desk. President Trump enjoys the use of President Reagan's Oval Office rug.



WEST WING LOBBY

The West Wing Lobby serves as a greeting and waiting space for distinguished guests and the press. Today, the Lobby is much smaller than it was during the 1930s, when reporters awaited updates from the President. The lobby was captured best by artist Norman Rockwell in his illustrations entitled, "So You Want to See the President." These illustrations still hang today in one of the West Wing corridors. The Administration of President Trump refurbished and improved the elegance of the West Wing Lobby.



CABINET ROOM

The large oval conference table that dominates the Cabinet Room was purchased by President Richard M. Nixon for this room in 1970. In 2004, the room was refurbished for the first time in 22 years under the direction of Mrs. Laura Bush. President Trump expanded the length of the Cabinet Room table to accommodate the growing Cabinet.



ROOSEVELT ROOM

It was first called the "Fish Room" because of the aquariums and fishing mementos displayed by President Franklin Roosevelt. The room was renamed by President Nixon to honor the contributions of both Roosevelts to the construction of the West Wing.



PRESS BRIEFING ROOM

The current Press Briefing Room was a swimming pool before President Richard Nixon ordered its conversion into a press room. The pool is still beneath the floor of the Press Briefing Room today.

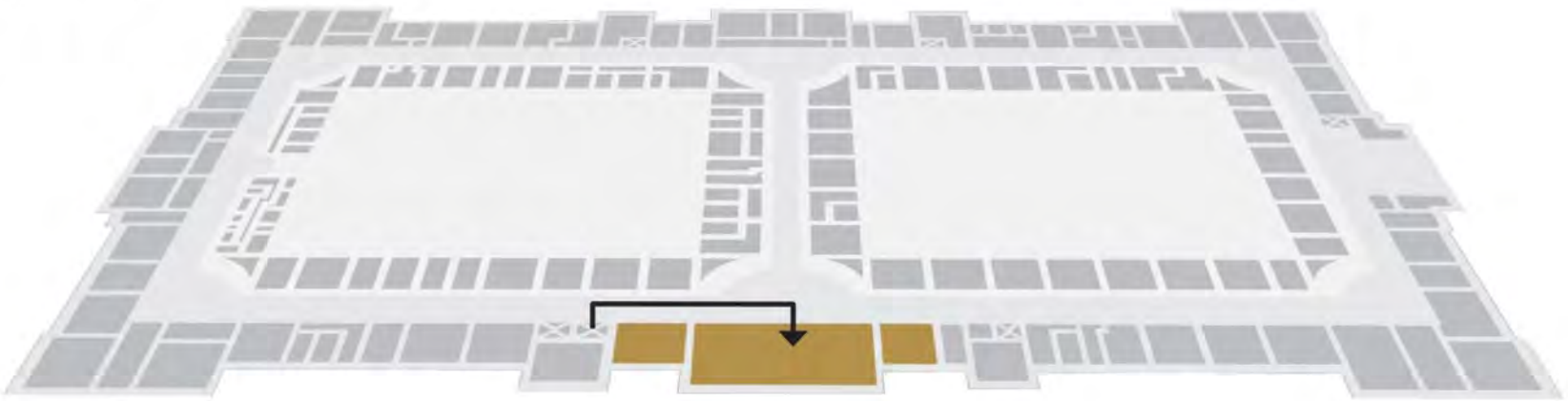
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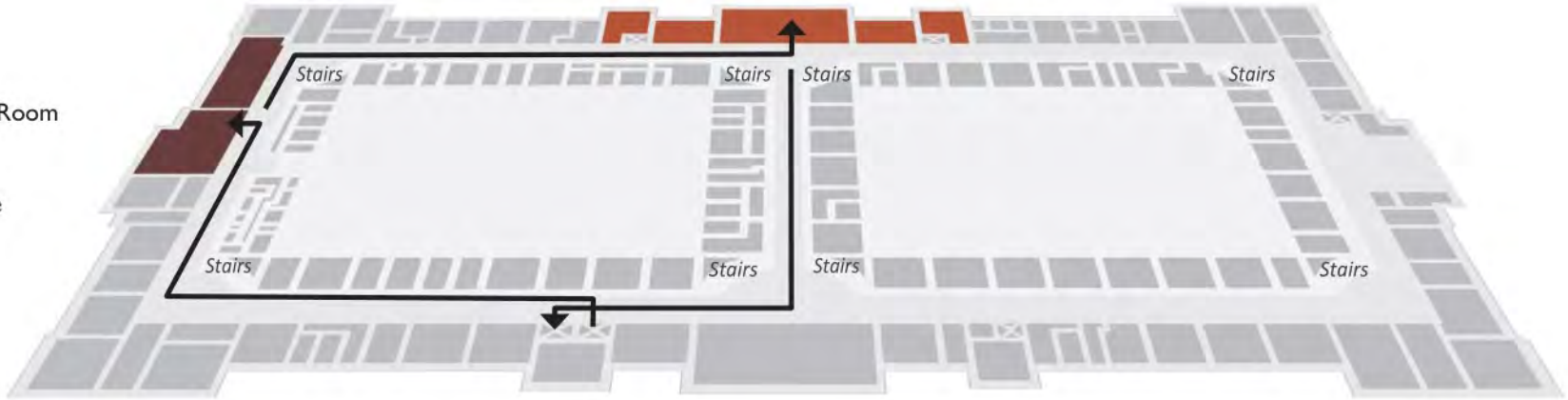
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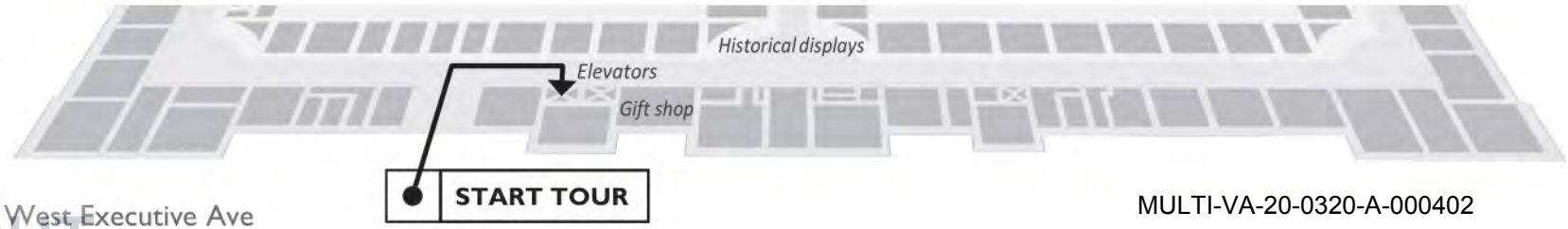
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- Cordell Hull Room & Diplomatic Reception Room
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- Secretary of War Suite
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THE CORDELL HULL ROOM & THE DIPLOMATIC RECEPTION ROOM

When the south wing of the State Department first opened in 1875, it had three spectacular rooms designed to be showplaces for the department. One of these was the office of the Secretary of State with three windows opening onto the south portico and a view of the Potomac River.

SECRETARY OF WAR SUITE

The Secretary of War Suite consists of ten rooms designed by Stephen Decatur Hatch, a prominent New York architect of the late 19th-century. Beginning in March of 1888, Secretary of War William Endicott occupied the suite. The suite would continue to be occupied by eighteen Secretaries of War until July 1939. Notable Secretaries of War include William Endicott, Elihu Root, William Howard Taft, and Henry Stimson.

INDIAN TREATY ROOM

The Indian Treaty Room is located on the east wing's fourth floor and was originally the Navy Department Library. It was designed by Richard Ezdorf and completed in 1880. The room does not resemble a library as we know it: the books were shelved in alcoves on two levels at each end adjacent to the main reading room. The Navy Department vacated the building between 1918 and 1921; the library was last to leave in 1923.

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In 1902, President Theodore Roosevelt had the architectural firm of McKim, Mead & White design and construct a "temporary" office building for the president and his staff to the west of the original White House. The new building replaced the expansive greenhouses, built in the Jefferson administration, which had occupied the area above the western colonnade and the surrounding west lawn.

Prior to the creation of the West Wing, office space for the President and his staff was located on the eastern end of the Second Floor of the Executive Mansion, with the President's private living quarters on the western end. This arrangement had proved quite problematic over the years, with visitors to the President and reporters often wandering into the private rooms. Many presidents, particularly those with large families like Theodore Roosevelt, also found the eastern end of the Second Floor to be too small for their needs, making the removal of the office spaces from this floor highly desirable.

The new one story building was erected quickly, with the demolition of the former greenhouses beginning in July 1902 and staff moving in by mid October. Many found the new quarters to be too spartan, especially in comparison with the neighboring mansion. The President's office, then known as the President's Room, was rectangular rather than oval in shape and was located in the southeast corner of the building. The Cabinet Room was located to the north of the President's Room. Although much larger than the office space in the mansion, the executive staff quickly outgrew the new space, and the building was expanded to the south in 1909, approximately doubling its size. The first "Oval Office," located in the center of the building's southern side, was created at this time for President William Howard Taft. The Cabinet Room was moved to the southeast corner.

Again, desiring additional office space, a basement level for the West Wing was excavated in the spring of 1929. Just six months later, the building caught fire on Christmas Eve, destroying almost all of the interiors. The building was reconstructed soon thereafter almost exactly as it had been prior to the fire, with the notable addition of air conditioning.

The West Wing was enlarged to its existing size in 1934 under President Franklin Delano Roosevelt when a "penthouse" story was added and

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a larger basement was excavated for staff and support services. The Oval Office and its 1909 white marble mantel were moved to its present southeast corner location while the Cabinet Room was returned to the northeast corner of the building. Remodeling during the Richard Nixon administration in 1969 added a porte-cochere to the north façade and moved the press from the lobby to an area in the West Terrace where the former indoor swimming pool had been.

THE ROSE GARDEN

The Rose Garden, nearly a century old, retains the charm and flavor of early American gardens. Located adjacent to the West Wing, the Rose Garden serves as a presidential reception area for everyone from foreign dignitaries to astronauts. Ellen Axson Wilson, first wife of Woodrow Wilson (1913–1921), planted the first rose garden in the manner of 17th century Italian gardens. Prior to 1902, the area contained extensive stables, housing various horses and coaches.

Beginning with the establishment of the garden in the early twentieth century the Rose Garden has been used for a wide array of events. President Woodrow Wilson met there with the press for informal questions. President Hoover began a tradition of welcoming and being photographed with prominent citizens there. Calvin Coolidge used the garden for making public announcements about policy and staffing decisions. President John F.Kennedy welcomed Project Mercury astronauts in the garden. Many presidential news conferences take place in the garden, as well as occasional White House dinners and ceremonies. The marriage of President Richard Nixon's daughter Tricia to Edward F. Cox took place in the Rose Garden in 1971. In recent years, joint news conferences with the president and a visiting head of state have been held in the Rose Garden. Presidents frequently host American Olympic and major league athletes in the Rose Garden after winning in their respective sport.

No significant changes were made to the garden until 1961, when it was redesigned by Rachel Lambert Mellon for President John F. Kennedy. Now, one of the most famous gardens in the world, it follows the plan of the most 18th century American gardens; framed with osmanthus and boxwood, the planting beds that are changed seasonally form the long lines of the rectangle.

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Ever since then, roses have served as the primary flowering plants in the garden, including large numbers of "Queen Elizabeth" grandiflora roses, along with the tea roses "Pascale", "Pat Nixon", and "King's Ransom". In something of a decidedly odd tradition, each and every summer sees garden gnomes taken and placed throughout the Rose Garden on July 1st–the number of which representing the number of living presidents at that particular moment in time.

THE CABINET ROOM

In 1902, President Theodore Roosevelt had the architectural firm of McKim, Mead & White design and construct an office building to the west of the original White House at the end of the colonnade built in the Jefferson administration. From the Second Floor of the Executive Mansion he then removed his office and Cabinet Room to new quarters in this "West Wing". The Cabinet Room was placed in the northeast corner and the President's Room, which was then a rectangular rather than an oval office, in the southeast corner.

In 1909, President William Howard Taft expanded the wing to the south, constructing the first "Oval Office" at the center of this addition, moving the Cabinet Room to the southeast corner.

In 1934, President Franklin D. Roosevelt moved the Oval Office to its present southeast corner location and returned the Cabinet Room to the northeast corner in a further-expanded West Wing. In each location, the Cabinet Room retained its original 1902 mantel. Architectural features of the new room included arched windows on the east wall and drapery swag panels on the north and south walls, a motif derived from classical antiquity that was used extensively on American Federal style furniture in the late 18th and early 19th centuries.

The large oval conference table that dominates the Cabinet Room was purchased by President Richard M. Nixon for this room in 1970 and later donated to the White House Office. It was made by the Kittinger Co. in Buffalo, New York. The leather armchairs that surround the table are derived from Queen Anne armchairs in the Council Chamber at Colonial Williamsburg. Cabinet members are assigned their own chairs, as designated on the plaques on the back of the chairs, and have the option of purchasing their chairs when they leave office. The taller chair at the east side of the table is occupied by the President.

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In 2004, the room was refurbished for the first time in 22 years under the direction of Mrs. Laura Bush. The wool rug by Edward Fields, Inc. of New York has bowed ends to reflect the curvature in the north and south walls, a red field spangled with gold stars, and a border composed of olive branches, the symbol of peace that appears in the Presidential Seal.

Six gold eagle-form sconces, created by Cox, Nostrand & Garrison, Inc., of Brooklyn, N.Y., for the room in 1930 when it was rebuilt after the 1929 fire, were re-installed; they were likely removed during the Kennedy refurbishing which added fluorescent lighting. The two bell-shaped dish lights contemporary with these patriotic Art Deco sconces did not survive the Kennedy administration changes, but three larger reproductions were commissioned from Gibson & Gibson Antique Lighting, Chula Vista, California.

WHITE HOUSE COLLECTION OBJECTS:

The Declaration of Independence of the United States of American, July 4, 1776
by Charles-Edouard Armand-Dumaresq
Oil on canvas, c. 1873. Over the fireplace mantel is depiction of the Second Continental Congress adopting the Declaration of Independence on July 4, 1776. Although inspired by John Trumbull's famous painting of that historical scene, it is not a copy of it.

George Washington **by Charles Willson Peale**
Oil on canvas, 1776. This is believed to be the artist's only replica of his 1776 portrait of Washington in dress uniform painted for John Hancock (now in the Brooklyn Museum of Art). The city of Boston can be seen in the distance, the siege and liberation of which, 1775-76, is commemorated as Washington's first great success.

President Harry S. Truman **by Frank O. Salisbury**
Oil on canvas, 1946. Frank O. Salisbury was a popular British artist who specialized in portraits and scenes of historical events. In addition to likenesses of British royalty, he also painted government leaders including Prime Minister Winston Churchill and Presidents Woodrow Wilson, Calvin Coolidge, Herbert Hoover, and Franklin D. Roosevelt. President Truman sat for Salisbury on several occasions in the fall of 1946, usually in a makeshift studio set up in the office of Press Secretary Charles Ross. The President, portrayed in the Oval Office, holds

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in his right hand a joint statement on the control and use of atomic energy, which was signed by Truman, British Prime Minister Clement Attlee, and Canadian Prime Minister Mackenzie King on November 15, 1945. In the background, at left, is a globe from his office, a gift from then General Dwight D. Eisenhower. On a tour of the Truman Library museum for museum docents on November 21, 1957, Truman said of his portrait: "I call that my stuffed shirt painting." Salisbury is represented in the White House collection by a 1947 replica of his 1934 portrait of President Franklin D. Roosevelt. [Courtesy the Harry S. Truman Library]. On loan from the Harry S. Truman Library, 2009.

THE OVAL OFFICE

When the West Wing was first constructed in 1902, the President's office, located in the southeast corner of the building, was rectangular. The first oval-shaped executive office, inspired by the oval rooms within the Executive Residence, was created in 1909 for President William Howard Taft as part of a building expansion. When the West Wing was renovated again in 1934, the Oval Office was moved from its original location in the center of the southern façade to its current location in the southeast corner.

Presidential Coat of Arms in Ceiling
The Presidential coat of arms in plaster relief in the ceiling was first added to the room during the 1934 renovation. In 1965, it was modified to add two state stars and to change the direction of the eagle's head towards its own right (towards the talon holding the olive branch), as dictated by President Truman's 1945 redefinition of the Presidential Seal.

"Resolute" Desk
This double pedestal desk was made from the oak timbers of the British ship H.M.S. Resolute as a gift to President Rutherford B. Hayes from Queen Victoria in 1880. It has been used by every president since Hayes, excepting Presidents Johnson, Nixon, and Ford, 1964-1977. President John F. Kennedy was the first president to use this desk in the Oval Office; prior to that time, it was used in the Executive Residence.

The desk was used in the President's Office on the Second Floor of the Residence from 1880 until 1902, at which time the office was moved to the newly constructed West Wing. This desk remained, however, on

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the Second Floor of the Residence in the President's Study. President Franklin D. Roosevelt requested that the rear kneehole be fitted with a panel carved with the presidential coat of arms, but he did not live to see it installed in 1945.

After the Truman Renovation of the White House, 1948-1952, the desk was placed in the Broadcast Room on the Ground Floor where it was used by President Dwight D. Eisenhower during radio and television broadcasts. It was first used in the Oval Office in 1961 at the request of President John F. Kennedy. After President Lyndon B. Johnson selected another desk for his office, it was lent to a Kennedy Library traveling exhibition, 1964-1965, and then to the Smithsonian Institution for exhibition, 1966-1977.

In January 1977, President Jimmy Carter requested that this historic desk be returned to the White House for use again in the Oval Office. In 1981, President Ronald W. Reagan also chose to use this desk in the Oval Office. President George Bush used it in the Oval Office for five months in 1989 before having it moved to his Residence Office in exchange for a partner's desk which he had used in his West Wing office as Vice President.

This historic desk, returned to the Oval Office for President Bill Clinton, was also used by Presidents George W. Bush and Barack Obama, and has been retained by President Donald Trump.

A brass plaque affixed to the desk records the history of its creation: H.M.S. "Resolute," forming part of the expedition sent in search of Sir John Franklin in 1852, was abandoned in Latitude 74 41' N. Longitude 101 22' W. on 15th May 1854. She was discovered and extricated in September 1855, in Latitude 67 N. by Captain Buddington of the United States Whaler "George Henry." The ship was purchased,fitted out and sent to England, as a gift to Her Majesty Queen Victoria by the President and People of the United States, as a token of goodwill & friendship. This table was made from her timbers when she was broken up, and is presented by the Queen ofGreat Britain & Ireland, to the President of the United States, as a memorial of the courtesy and loving kindness which dictated the offer of the gift of the "Resolute."

Rug

The current rug was custom-made for the Oval Office by KMM Corporation in Lewiston, Maine for President Ronald Reagan in 1988. President Donald Trump requested that this rug be returned when he

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assumed office. Every president since Reagan has commissioned a new rug for the Oval Office, although prior to this time, rugs were used for multiple administrations. Oval Office rugs remain part of the White House collection and do not leave with the President who selected them. The rug features the Presidential coat of arms on a golden beige and ivory field of rays derived from early-19th-century French rugs.

Architectural features of the present Oval Office, as designed by Eric Gugler in 1934, include: the Presidential coat of arms in plaster relief in the ceiling (as modified in 1965 to add two state stars and to reflect President Truman's 1945 redefinition of the seal); the doors to the veranda and study, each with a pediment above a horizontal fasces, the classical symbol of the governing authority; and the window and shelf niches with shell canopies modeled after those in the Yellow Oval Room in the Residence.

The current floor of walnut and white oak was installed in August 2005, replacing an identical floor laid in 1982. The 1982 floor was the first time hardwood had been used in the Oval Office: the original (1934) flooring in this room was made of cork, which was covered with wood-grain vinyl in 1969 during the Nixon administration.

WHITE HOUSE COLLECTION OBJECTS:

***Alexander Hamilton* by John Trumbull**
Oil on canvas, c. 1805. Trumbull was best known for portraits of America's founding fathers and scenes of the American Revolution. Alexander Hamilton was the first Secretary of the Treasury during George Washington's presidency. This is one of eight replicas made by the artist from an original likeness painted in 1804 for the City Hall of New York.

***Martin Luther King, Jr.* by Charles Alston**
Bronze, 1970. Dr. King visited the White House on several occasions and was on hand to see President Lyndon Johnson sign the Civil Rights Act of 1964 in the East Room. An influential teacher, Charles Alston was a founding member of the Harlem Arts Workshop in 1934.

***George Washington* by Rembrandt Peale**
Oil on panel, c. 1823. The painting hanging above the mantel is believed to be based on an 1823 portrait, also by Rembrandt Peale, on display in the Old Senate Chamber of the United States Capitol. From it, Peale

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painted 79 similar "porthole" portraits, some showing Washington in civilian dress and others showing him in uniform.

***Thomas Jefferson* by George P.A. Healy**
Oil on canvas, c. 1842-1860. This likeness, based on a c. 1810 life portrait by Gilbert Stuart, is part of series of presidential portraits commissioned in 1842 by French King Louis Philippe for the gallery at Versailles. The series was never delivered and was eventually acquired for the Corcoran Gallery of Art.

On loan from the National Gallery of Art, formerly the Corcoran Gallery of Art Collection, 1981.

***Winston Churchill* by Sir Jacob Epstein**
Bronze, 1946. In the 1940s, the British Ministry of Information commissioned six busts and statues of wartime leaders, the most notable being the 1946 bust of Winston Churchill. Churchill, as Prime Minister of Great Britain, stayed in the White House several times during World War II.

On loan from the United Kingdom Government Art Collection, 2017.

***Thomas Jefferson* by Rembrandt Peale**
Oil on canvas, 1800. This life portrait of Jefferson as Vice President was painted in Philadelphia less than a year before he assumed the presidency. It became the prototype for many American and European engravings and the most popular 19th century image of Jefferson.

***Abraham Lincoln* by Augustus Saint-Gaudens**
Bronze, c. 1923. In 1884, the sculptor was chosen to create a bronze statue of Lincoln for Chicago's Lincoln Park. The standing figure, with head slightly bent down, was considered one of the most successful and expressive likenesses, and was later recast on a smaller scale. Around 1923, several bust-size versions were made, of which this is example.

***Andrew Jackson* by Clark Mills**
White metal, 1855. On January 8, 1853, the 38th anniversary of the British defeat at New Orleans, an important sculpture of Major General Andrew Jackson was unveiled in the center of Lafayette Park with President Franklin Pierce in attendance. The statue was the first life-size bronze equestrian statue cast in the United States. This miniature version was purchased by the government in 1859 for the White House.

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***Andrew Jackson* by Ralph E.W. Earl**
Oil on canvas, c. 1835. The artist was related by marriage to Andrew Jackson's wife, Rachel. Earl painted many portraits of President Jackson as well as other members of the family. Earl's portrait of Emily Donelson, who served as official hostess during the Jackson Administration, hangs in the Queens' Bedroom. Earl spent a great deal of time at the Jackson White House and used what is now the Queens' Bedroom, as a bedroom and studio. He is buried at the Hermitage, Jackson's home outside of Nashville, Tennessee.

***The Bronco Buster* by Frederic Remington**
Bronze c. 1903. This popular western bronze has been on view in the Oval Office since it was given to the White House collection in 1973. The original design, copyrighted in 1895, was Remington's first work of sculpture.

***Theodore Roosevelt* by James Earle Fraser**
Bronze, c. 1910. Theodore Roosevelt is portrayed in the neckerchief and uniform jacket worn when he was a Rough Rider (1st Cavalry Volunteers) in the Spanish-American War. The sculptor is best known for poignant Indian figure, The End of the Trail, and for his design of the buffalo nickel.

***Abraham Lincoln* by George Henry Story**
Oil on canvas, c. 1915. This likeness is based on sketches Story made of President Lincoln in his White House office (now the Lincoln Bedroom) in June 1861.

THE ROOSEVELT ROOM

When the West Wing was constructed in 1902, the site of this room was the southeast corner of the building occupied by the President's office and anteroom. When the Wing was expanded to the south in 1909, the space became parts of two waiting rooms. When the Wing was expanded to the east in 1934, it assumed its present function as a centrally located conference room across the corridor from the repositioned Oval Office. It retained the painted wooden mantel which had been in the 1902 President's Room and was equipped with a skylight lit from a shaft passing through the Wing's new second floor.

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As a conference room, it was first called the "Fish Room" because of the aquariums and fishing mementos displayed by President Franklin D. Roosevelt. The tradition of this name was revived in the early 1960s when President John F. Kennedy hung a large mounted sailfish which he had caught in Acapulco.

The room was renamed the "Roosevelt Room" by President Richard Nixon in 1969 to honor the contributions of Theodore Roosevelt in erecting the West Wing and of Franklin D. Roosevelt in enlarging the Wing to its present size.

WHITE HOUSE COLLECTION OBJECTS:

***Theodore Roosevelt* by James Earle Fraser**
Bronze-patinated metal plaque, c. 1920. The sculptor best known for his Indian figure, The End of the Trail, and his design of the buffalo nickel. It includes a quotation attributed to Roosevelt–"Aggressive fighting for the right is the noblest sport the world affords." The plaque was acquired by the General Services Administration in 1969.

***Franklin D. Roosevelt* by John DeStefano**
Bronze, c. 1933. The profile bust portrait is surmounted by a spread-winged eagle and flanked by fasces, the Roman symbol of authority. The title panel includes a quotation from the Roman statesman Seneca–"I shall hold my rudder true."

On loan from the Franklin D. Roosevelt Library, 1969.

***Crossing the River Platte* by Worthington Whittredge**
Oil on canvas, c. 1871. Whittredge accompanied the 1865-66 General John Pope expedition, traveling across the Plains along the Platte River and Rocky Mountains from Kansas to New Mexico. Later in his New York studio, he painted this scene from sketches made during his travels showing Indians fording the river in what is now eastern Colorado.

***Franklin D. Roosevelt* by Alfred Jonniaux**
Oil on canvas, 1958. This posthumous likeness of Franklin Roosevelt was commissioned by his close friend and law partner, Basil "Doc" O'Connor, who helped Roosevelt establish the Georgia Warm Springs Foundation and the National Foundation for Infantile Paralysis (now called the March of Dimes Foundation). It has been on loan from the Franklin D. Roosevelt Library since 1978.

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***Eleanor Roosevelt* by Alva Museum Reproductions, after Victor Lamkay**
Composite stone, bronze patina, wood base, c. 1993. The original work was sculpted in 1962 and 1963. Sculptor Victor Lamkay had hoped to get permission for sittings with Mrs. Roosevelt, but she died before he could do so. From photographs, the artist was able to complete the bronze, now in the Franklin D. Roosevelt Library.

***Theodore Roosevelt* by Tade Styka**
Oil on canvas, 1909. Roosevelt is depicted in a tan uniform, possibly his Rough Rider outfit. This likeness is thought to have been painted from sittings in the artist's studio near Paris during Roosevelt's post-presidential tour of Europe, 1909.

***View of the City of Washington from the Virginia Shore* by William MacLeod**
Oil on canvas, 1856. The artist, who appears in the lower right foreground, painted this view of Washington from across the Potomac River near his native Alexandria, Virginia. Visible in the background are the unfinished Washington Monument, at the left; the U.S. Capitol with the earlier Bulfinch dome, at center; and the Washington Navy Yard, at the right.

***Our Vanishing Wildlife* by Alexander Pope**
Bronze, c. 1915-24. This sculpture of a bison battling three wolves was displayed by the artist at the Panama-Pacific Exposition in San Francisco in 1915 at which it was judged one of the best sculptures.

Nobel Peace Prize Medal
The medal was awarded to President Theodore Roosevelt in 1906 for his mediation of the Russo-Japanese War peace settlement. The first Nobel prize awarded to an American, it was a gift to the White House from the Theodore Roosevelt Association and presented to President Ronald Reagan in 1982 in the Roosevelt Room on the 125th anniversary of Theodore Roosevelt's birth.

Medal of Honor
Awarded posthumously to Theodore Roosevelt, January 16, 2001 to honor his heroism in the Spanish-American War, 1898. The medal was presented to President George W. Bush for the White House collection by Roosevelt family in ceremony held in the Roosevelt Room, September 16, 2002.

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Mantel Clock made by the Chelsea Clock Co., Boston Brass and pine, mid-20th century.
The circular brass ship's clock is set in a wooden frame.

THE WEST WING RECEPTION ROOM

When the West Wing was erected in 1902, a rectangular lobby was placed at the center of the north side of the building, opening directly to the driveway beneath a small porch. When the wing was expanded in 1909, it remained unchanged, while two adjacent rooms were converted into additional waiting rooms. In 1929, the Congressional Waiting Room became an office, while the General Waiting Room was absorbed into an enlarged T-shaped Lobby.

In 1934, when the President's Oval Office and the Cabinet Room were moved into the eastern extension of the West Wing, a new lobby was created at the center of the building with access through a narrow foyer leading to the north doorway. The somewhat informal character of this new lobby, which was a waiting room for both distinguished visitors and the press alike, was captured by artist Norman Rockwell in a four-panel illustration entitled, So You Want to See the President, drawn for the November 13, 1943 issue of the Saturday Evening Post.

With the construction of new press facilities in the West Terrace in 1970, the lobby was renovated to provide a smaller, more intimate reception room. The southern half of the room was walled off, becoming two staff offices entered from the south corridor.

WHITE HOUSE COLLECTION OBJECTS:

***The First Naval Action in the War of 1812* by William John Huggins**
Oil on canvas, 1816. This large maritime painting depicts the naval division of Commodore John Rodgers pursuing the British frigate H.M.S. Belvidera, five days after the United States had declared war on Great Britain in 1812. It is probably based on a sketch made by James Stilwell, an officer on the Belvidera.

***Rutland Falls, Vermont* by Frederic E. Church**
Oil on canvas, 1848. Considered part of the second generation of the Hudson River School, Church was a major 19th-century American landscape painter best known for [illegible] in

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North and South America. His landscapes were somewhat idealized with every aspect of nature depicted in great detail. A special emphasis was placed on light and cloud effects, often with very dramatic results.

***Shinnecock Hills, Long Island* by William Merritt Chase**
Oil on panel, 1900. Chase taught a successful summer art school at Shinnecock on the eastern end of Long Island, 1891-1902. Considered amongst his finest works are the paintings of the coastal landscape around his house and studio (designed by Stanford White), of which this is one.

***James Monroe* by Adrian Lamb, after Gilbert Stuart**
Oil on canvas, 1975. This likeness is a copy of a c. 1818-20 Gilbert Stuart portrait, now in the collection of the Metropolitan Museum of Art in New York.

***Emigrant Scene* attributed to William Henry Powell**
Oil on canvas, c. 1837. Powell found success as a portraitist and later as a painter of historical subjects. In 1847, he was selected to create the last painting for the U.S. Capitol Rotunda, replacing his former teacher, Henry Inman, who had died suddenly in 1846. Perhaps Powell's best known painting, this mammoth work entitled, Discovery of the Mississippi by De Soto, portrayed the Spanish explorer's arrival on May 8, 1541.

***Donner Lake from the Summit* by Edwin Deakin**
Oil on canvas, 1876. This panoramic view features Donner Lake, located in northeast California on the eastern edge of the Sierra Nevada mountain range. Deakin, an English-born artist, came to California in 1870 and established a studio in the San Francisco area, where he resided for the remainder of his life. He was best known for views of California's Spanish-era missions, Chinatown, and the aftermath of the 1906 earthquake.

***Vernal Falls, Yosemite* by Thomas Hill**
***Nevada Falls, Yosemite* by Thomas Hill,**
Oil on canvas, 1889. This pair of scenic paintings was created by Thomas Hill, an artist best known for his views of Yosemite Valley. Hill moved permanently to California in 1871, and in the 1880s, established a studio in Yosemite that today serves as the National Park Service visitor center.

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***Cannonading on the Potomac, October, 1861* by Alfred Wordsworth Thompson**
Oil on canvas, c. 1868-70. Thompson painted this American Civil War scene from sketches made of the Battle of Ball's Bluff, on the Potomac River near Leesburg, Virginia, on October 21, 1861. On the reverse side of the canvas is an inscription: "...Col. E[dward]. D. Baker, Commanding, was killed in this action." A U.S. Senator from Oregon, Baker was a longtime friend of Abraham Lincoln; the president's second son was his namesake. Among those wounded in this battle, a tactical blunder for the routed Federal troops, was Oliver Wendell Holmes, Jr., later a justice of the U.S. Supreme Court.

Bookcase
Mahogany, c. 1770, English. The bookcase holds bound copies of presidential documents.

THE PRESS BRIEFING ROOM

The current Press Room did not exist until President Richard Nixon converted the indoor swimming pool to the present day space. The indoor swimming pool, which still exists below the Press Room floor, was installed during President Franklin D. Roosevelt's administration in 1933 placed between the White House and the West Wing.

President Nixon started the conversion of the space into a lounge and press offices that could also serve as a press briefing room starting in 1969. Since 1970, the White House press corps have gathered in this space to listen to briefings and reports presented by the press secretary. The space was last updated in 2005 by President George W. Bush.

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EISENHOWER EXECUTIVE OFFICE BUILDING



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The Eisenhower Executive Office Building (EEOB) is located next to the West Wing, and houses a majority of offices for White House staff. Originally built for the State, War, and Navy Departments between 1871 and 1888, the EEOB is an impressive building that commands a unique position in both our national history and architectural heritage.

Designed by Supervising Architect of the Treasury Alfred Mullett, the granite, slate, and cast iron exterior makes the EEOB one of America's best examples of the French Second Empire style of architecture. Construction took 17 years as the building slowly rose wing by wing. The EEOB was finished in 1888 and was the largest office building in Washington with nearly 2 miles of black and white tiled corridors.

The Navy Department left in 1918 (except for the Secretary who stayed until 1921), followed by the War Department in 1938, and finally by the State Department in 1947. The White House began to move some of its offices across West Executive Avenue in 1939, and in 1949 the building was turned over to the Executive Office of the President and renamed the Executive Office Building. The building was designated a National Historic Landmark in 1969. The building continues to house various agencies that comprise the Executive Office of the President, such as the White House Office, the Office of the Vice President, the Office of Management and Budget, and the National Security Council.



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The Vice President's Ceremonial Office



The current Vice President's Ceremonial Office was originally used as the Secretary of Navy's office from 1879 to 1923. From 1923 to 1947, General John Pershing occupied the office initially as the Army Chief of Staff then as the Chairman of the Battle and Monuments Commission, becoming the longest single occupant of this room (24 years). Additionally, President Hoover used the office for three months following a Christmas Eve fire in the West Wing in 1929.

Since 1960 it has been used as the Vice President's Ceremonial Office with the exception of Vice President Hubert Humphrey, because Lyndon Johnson did not give up the office when he became President after the Kennedy assassination.

The current desk is part of the White House collection, and was commissioned to be built for Theodore Roosevelt's use in the Oval Office. Several important figures have used the desk including Presidents Taft, Wilson, Harding, Coolidge, and for a few months, Hoover. The desk was placed in storage early on during Herbert Hoover's Presidency where it remained until 1945 when President Truman then used it. Vice President Johnson and all subsequent Vice Presidents (except Hubert Humphrey) have used the desk. Since the 1940s, various users have signed the inside of the top drawer.



The top drawer has been signed by Vice Presidents Cheney, Gore, Quayle, Mondale, and Rockefeller; and Presidents Truman and Eisenhower.





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Secretary of War Suite



The Secretary of War Suite consists of ten rooms designed by Stephen Decatur Hatch, a prominent New York architect of the late 19th-century. Beginning in March of 1888, Secretary of War William Endicott occupied the suite. The suite would continue on to be occupied by 18 Secretaries of War until July 1939. Notable Secretaries of War included William Endicott, Elihu Root, William Howard Taft, and Henry Stimson.



History made in these rooms included the development, review, and acceptance of all plans of defense for our nation and our armed forces in times of conflict as well as in times of peace between 1888 and 1939. The War Department moved from the building between 1938–39. The Bureau of the Budget, newly established by Franklin Roosevelt's administration, immediately took possession of these rooms.

Another event of interest occurred in 1908, while in his office in what is now EEOB 230B, Secretary of War Taft received word by telephone that the Republican convention in Chicago had nominated him for the presidency.

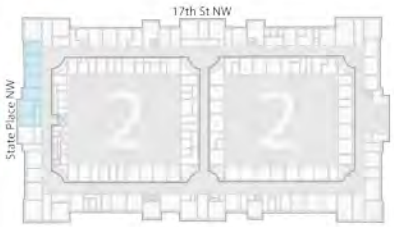




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The Cordell Hull Room & the Diplomatic Reception Room



When the south wing of the State Department first opened in 1875, it had three spectacular rooms designed to be showplaces for the department. One of these was the office of the Secretary of State located at the center of the second floor with three windows opening onto the south portico and a view of the Potomac River. The other two rooms included the State Department Library (now the EOP Library) and the Diplomatic Reception Room (room 212, pictured upper right).

A total of 24 men served 25 terms as Secretary of State (James G. Blaine served as Secretary of State for two terms—the first term March 1881 to December 1881, and the second term March 1889 to June 1892) in the EEOB. Hamilton Fish was the first Secretary of State to serve in this office, from July 1875 to March 1877. He and his staff moved into the building before the wing was fully completed in December 1875.

Many important events have occurred in these rooms. In 1898, Secretary of State John Hay handed the Spanish ambassador his credentials and passport, thus signifying our declaration of war against Spain. During his term, Hay supported an American imperialist solution to the Spanish-American War, helped formulate the "Open Door" policy in China, arranged treaties to facilitate the building of the Panama Canal, and worked with President Roosevelt in settling the Russo-Japanese War.

On Sunday morning, December 7, 1941, Secretary of State Cordell Hull was in his office (pictured lower right) meeting with his aides and discussing the volatile situation in the Far East. The meeting was interrupted when intercepted messages between Japanese Foreign Minister Togo and Japanese Ambassadors to the US were delivered to Secretary Hull's office. After receiving a phone call from President Roosevelt informing him of a Japanese attack on Pearl Harbor, Secretary Hull met with the Japanese Ambassador. The next day, Congress declared war on Japan. Later, in 1942, the United Nations Declaration was drafted and signed in this room.

George Catlett Marshall was the last Secretary of State to serve in this office. Marshall oversaw the move of the Department of State staff from the EEOB to their new offices in Foggy Bottom, in the old War Department building, which was mostly complete by May 1947.





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The War Library / The Law Library



Originally designated as the War Department Library, the room was designed by Austrian-born Richard Ezdorf, a draftsman for the Supervising Architect of the Treasury, and completed in 1887. Ezdorf selected an eclectic mix of the French Renaissance, Classical, and Gothic Revival styles. Mixing elements of these styles was very popular in the late 19th-century and became characteristic of the high Victorian style.

The War Department's library collection included books, charts, maps, and photographs. This includes photographs and their negatives taken by Mathew Brady during the Civil War, which were acquired by the War Department in 1875 for $25,000 when financial difficulties forced Brady to sell them. The U.S. Signal Corps became responsible for the library in 1894, and the War Department occupied the space until 1938 when they vacated the building.

Between 1938 and 1970, the library was used for storage. In 1970, the library was renovated for use as a conference room. The library is currently used to house the Law Library for the Executive Office of the President.



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Indian Treaty Room



The Indian Treaty Room is located on the east wing's fourth floor and was originally the Navy Department Library. It was designed by Richard Ezdorf and was completed in 1880. The room does not resemble a library as we know it; the books were shelved in alcoves on two levels at each end adjacent to the main reading room. The Navy Department vacated the building between 1918 and 1921, with the library last to leave in 1923.

The Indian Treaty Room was later used for presidential press conferences from 1950 until 1961. President Eisenhower held the first televised presidential press conference in this room on January 19, 1955. Phone booths were located just outside the door to accommodate the press needing to call in their stories for late breaking news.

The room's designation as the "Indian Treaty Room" is one of the building's most interesting mysteries. It is not known how the room inherited its name despite considerable research. Its first mention in the press was in 1954, and many recall the days between 1923 and 1942 when the State Department used the room as storage space, and perhaps someone thought that treaties with Native American tribes were stored in the room.





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East Rotunda

Located on the West Executive Avenue, center corridor side of the EEOB, the East Rotunda was designed for the Department of Navy by Richard Ezdorf, chief draftsman for the Supervising Architect of the Treasury; completed in 1879.



West Rotunda

Located on the 17th Street, center corridor side of the EEOB, the West Rotunda was designed for the Department of War by Richard Ezdorf, chief draftsman for the Supervising Architect of the Treasury; completed in 1888.



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Truman Bowling Alley

On April 19, 1947, President Harry Truman was presented with the gift of two bowling lanes in the basement of the Executive Offices (today's West Wing where the Situation Room is presently located). The lanes came with an automatic pinsetter, which had been successfully introduced the year before at the 1946 American Bowling Congress (ABC) Tournament by AMF. In 1953, President Truman gave the lanes to the employees of the White House and the bowling alley first opened. In 1955, the lanes were moved from the West Wing's basement to the EEOB's basement.

President Richard Nixon was the most avid of the presidential bowlers, spending as many as four hours at a time rolling games.







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From: (b)(6) VBAVACO
Sent: Tue, 29 Oct 2019 11:00:10 +0000
To: Bossie, Darren J.
Subject: RE: VA Weekly Cabinet Report
Attachments: Outreach Report as of 10-23-19 (Claims Clinics Identified).xlsx, VBA Cabinet Report.docx

Good Morning Darren,

Please see the attached Cabinet and Outreach Reports from VBA.

Thank you!

(b)(6)

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Under Secretary for Benefits
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Email: (b)(6) @va.gov

Office Phone: (202) 461-(b)(6)

From: Bossie, Darren J. (b)(6) @va.gov>
Sent: Friday, October 25, 2019 3:04 PM
To: (b)(6) @va.gov>; (b)(6) va.gov>; (b)(6) va.gov>; (b)(6) (OGC) (b)(6) @va.gov>; (b)(6) @va.gov>; (b)(6) @va.gov>; (b)(6) @va.gov>; (b)(6) VBAVACO (b)(6) @va.gov>; McClelland, Teri, VBAVACO <(b)(6) @va.gov>; (b)(6) (b)(6) va.gov>; (b)(6) @va.gov>; (b)(6) @va.gov>; (b)(6) @va.gov>; (b)(6) a.gov>; (b)(6) @va.gov>; (b)(6) (VACO) @va.gov>; (b)(6) @va.gov>; Haverstock, Cathy <(b)(6) @va.gov>; (b)(6) @va.gov>; (b)(6) <(b)(6) @va.gov>; (b)(6) @va.gov>; (b)(6) <(b)(6) @va.gov>; Sullivan, Kathleen (b)(6) @va.gov>; Verschoor, Thayer (b)(6) va.gov>; (b)(6) @va.gov>; (b)(6) (b)(6) @va.gov>; (b)(6) @va.gov>
Cc: Powers, Pamela (b)(6) @va.gov>; Syrek, Christopher D. (Chris) (b)(6) @va.gov>; Lawrence, Paul R., VBAVACO <(b)(6) @va.gov>; Stone, Richard A., MD <(b)(6) @va.gov>; Reeves, Randy <(b)(6) @va.gov>; Mason, Cheryl (b)(6) @va.gov>; Hutton, James <(b)(6) @va.gov>; Glynn, Melissa S. (b)(6) @va.gov>; Davis, Lynda <(b)(6) @va.gov>; Gfrerer, James (b)(6) va.gov>; Hayes-Byrd, Jacquelyn (b)(6) @va.gov>; (b)(6) @va.gov>; Brazell, Karen <(b)(6) @va.gov>; (b)(6) @va.gov>; (b)(6) (b)(6) @va.gov>
Subject: VA Weekly Cabinet Report

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Good afternoon,

Please submit your White House Weekly Cabinet Report entries no later than **3pm Monday, October 28**. The inclusive dates for this report are **October 30 – November 26**.

Please include weekly updates regarding MISSION Act, Forever GI Bill, Blue Water Navy, burn pits/toxic exposure, PREVENTS Task Force, EHRM, meetings/hearings/events involving Members of Congress, upcoming travel, public appearances, and any other major items specific to your area.

Please let me know if you have any questions.

Thank you and have a great weekend!

Darren

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White House Liaison
Office of the Secretary
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From: Bossie, Darren J.
Sent: Tue, 29 Oct 2019 13:10:13 +0000
To: Hudson, William A SES OSD OGC (USA)
Subject: RE: [EXTERNAL] FW: VA position

Good morning Bill!

I received your documents and forwarded them to White House PPO. I will let you know when I hear something back from them.

How was the Citadel reunion? Was POTUS there? I heard he had met with the new Citadel leadership last week.

Have a great day!

Darren

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(www.blackberry.com)

From: Hudson, William A SES OSD OGC (USA) (b)(6) @mail.mil>
Date: Tuesday, Oct 29, 2019, 8:57 AM
To: Bossie, Darren J. (b)(6) @va.gov>
Subject: [EXTERNAL] FW: VA position

Darren, I was out the last part of last week and yesterday in Charleston, S.C.

I had sent these forms to you earlier last week and wanted to ensure you received.

Let me know what else you might need?

VR Bill

William A. Hudson, Jr.
Senior Counsel
Office of the DOD General Counsel
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Cell 703-717 (b)(6)

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----Original Message-----
From: Hudson, William A SES OSD OGC (USA)
Sent: Wednesday, October 23, 2019 9:34 AM
To: Bossie, Darren J. <(b)(6) @va.gov>
Subject: FW: VA position

Darren, see forms completed and also a recent Resume. Let me know if you need anything else.

As we discussed, I am out tomorrow on leave thru Monday in Charleston, SC attending my 40th Reunion from The Citadel. But can be reached by cell 703-717-(b)(6) or email.

As also discussed, ready to go either detail or the political route.

DoD GC is readily OK with me being detailed to the VA for however long 9-12 months and re-upped if that works.

I was looking to come over on Tuesday 12 November 2019, given on-gong issues here, and can work on Veterans Day 11 November if needed.

I am thrilled and honored to work for Secretary Wilkie, the Department of Veterans Affairs, and your entire team.

VR Bill

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From: Bossie, Darren J.
Sent: Wed, 30 Oct 2019 18:37:24 +0000
To: (b)(6)
Subject: FW: West Wing Tour Request

Good afternoon Midshipmen (b)(6)

Per White House request, please resubmit your information for the White House West Wing tour on Friday, November 22nd.

Thank you,

Darren Bossie
White House liaison
Office of the Secretary
Department of Veterans Affairs
202-461-(b)(6)

From: (b)(6) EOP/WHO <(b)(6) who.eop.gov>
Sent: Wednesday, October 30, 2019 12:43 PM
To: Bossie, Darren J. <(b)(6) va.gov>
Subject: [EXTERNAL] RE: West Wing Tour Request

Hey Darren,

So far no one has registered for this tour. This could be the case because I have cancelled it and rebooked it due to the back and forth about the timing. Here is the active link for RSVPing for this date and time: https://events.whitehouse.gov/?rid=(b)(6)

Best,

(b)(6)

From: (b)(6) EOP/WHO <(b)(6) @who.eop.gov>
Sent: Friday, October 25, 2019 2:50 PM
To: Bossie, Darren J. <(b)(6) @va.gov>
Subject: [EXTERNAL] FW: West Wing Tour Request

From: White House Management Office <(b)(6) @eop.gov>
Sent: Friday, October 25, 2019 2:49 PM
To: (b)(6) . EOP/WHO (b)(6) @who.eop.gov>
Subject: West Wing Tour Request

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(b)(6) is scheduled to guide the following tour on Friday, November 22, 2019 at 10:00 PM for 6 guests.

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Thank you,

White House Management Office

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From: Bossie, Darren J.
Sent: Wed, 30 Oct 2019 18:38:57 +0000
To: (b)(6)@gmail.com
Subject: FW: West Wing Tour Request

Good afternoon (b)(6)

Per White House request, please resubmit your information for the White House West Wing tour on Friday, November 22nd.

Thank you,

Darren Bossie
White House liaison
Office of the Secretary
Department of Veterans Affairs
202-461-(b)(6)

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From: Bossie, Darren J.
Sent: Fri, 1 Nov 2019 19:01:53 +0000
To: Lawrence, Paul R., VBAVACO;Reeves, Randy;Stone, Richard A., MD;Mason, Cheryl;Tucker, Brooks;Glynn, Melissa S.;Rychalski, Jon J.;Sitterly, Daniel;Bonzanto, Dr. Tamara (OAWP);Gfrerer, James;Hutton, James;Davis, Lynda;Hayes-Byrd, Jacquelyn;Brazell, Karen;(b)(6) (b)(6) ;Verschoor, Thayer;Balland, David;Connell, Lawrence B.;Wagner, John (Wolf);Mashburn, John K.;Bader, Christine E.;Haverstock, Cathy;(b)(6) (b)(6) ;Quill, Joshua J., VBAVACO(b)(6) Cashour, Curtis;(b)(6) ;Mandreucci, Christina M.;A(b)(6) (b)(6)
Cc: Byrne, Jim;Powers, Pamela;Syrek, Christopher D. (Chris)
Subject: President to host the Washington Nationals at the White House

Good afternoon VA Team!

The President will welcome the Washington Nationals to the White House on Monday, November 4, 2019 at 1:15 PM on the South Lawn.

There are a limited number of tickets available to attend this event!

Please let me know if you are interested in attending this event on Monday. Ticket requests will be honored in the order they are received, and are limited to one ticket per person.

Thank you and have a great weekend!

Darren

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From: Bossie, Darren J.
Sent: Mon, 4 Nov 2019 15:50:05 +0000
To: (b)(6)@gmail.com
Subject: FW: [EXTERNAL] RE: West Wing Tour Request

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From: (b)(6) EOP/WHO <(b)(6)@who.eop.gov>
Date: Wednesday, Oct 30, 2019, 12:46 PM
To: Bossie, Darren J. (b)(6)@va.gov>
Subject: [EXTERNAL] RE: West Wing Tour Request

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Best,

(b)(6)

From: Bossie, Darren J. (b)(6)@va.gov>
Sent: Wednesday, October 30, 2019 11:57 AM
To: (b)(6) EOP/WHO <(b)(6)@who.eop.gov>
Subject: RE: West Wing Tour Request

Good morning (b)(6)

Are you able to tell me how many people have registered for this tour so far?

Thank you so much,

Darren

Darren Bossie
White House Liaison
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202-461(b)(6)

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From: (b)(6) VBAVACO
Sent: Mon, 4 Nov 2019 17:48:56 +0000
To: Bossie, Darren J.
Cc: McClelland, Teri, VBAVACO
Subject: RE: VA Weekly Cabinet Report
Attachments: VBA Cabinet Report.docx, Outreach Report as of 10-31-19 (Claims Clinics Identified).xlsx

Good Afternoon Darren,

Please see the attached Cabinet and Outreach Reports from VBA.

Thank you!

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From: Bossie, Darren J. (b)(6)@va.gov>
Sent: Friday, November 1, 2019 3:26 PM
To: C(b)(6)@va.gov>; (b)(6)@va.gov>; B(b)(6)@va.gov>; K(b)(6) (OGC) <(b)(6)@va.gov>; (b)(6)@va.gov>; (b)(6)@va.gov>; (b)(6)@va.gov>; (b)(6)@va.gov>; M(b)(6) VBAVACO (b)(6)@va.gov>; McClelland, Teri, VBAVACO <(b)(6)@va.gov>; (b)(6)<(b)(6)@va.gov>; (b)(6)@va.gov>; (b)(6)@va.gov>; (b)(6)@va.gov>; (b)(6)<(b)(6)a.gov>; H(b)(6)s@va.gov>; (b)(6) (VACO)<(b)(6)@va.gov>; M(b)(6)@va.gov>; Haverstock, Cathy <(b)(6)@va.gov>; (b)(6)@va.gov>; (b)(6)@va.gov>; (b)(6)@va.gov>; (b)(6)@va.gov>; I(b)(6)@va.gov>; (b)(6)@va.gov>; J(b)(6)@va.gov>; Verschoor, Thayer (b)(6)@va.gov>; (b)(6)@va.gov>; (b)(6)@va.gov>; (b)(6)@va.gov> (b)(6)@va.gov>
Cc: Powers, Pamela <(b)(6)@va.gov>; Syrek, Christopher D. (Chris) (b)(6)@va.gov>; Lawrence, Paul R., VBAVACO (b)(6)@va.gov>; Stone, Richard A., MD <(b)(6)@va.gov>; Reeves, Randy <(b)(6)@va.gov>; Mason, Cheryl (b)(6)@va.gov>; Hutton, James (b)(6)@va.gov>; Glynn, Melissa S. <(b)(6)@va.gov>; Davis, Lynda <(b)(6)@va.gov>; Gfrerer, James (b)(6)@va.gov>; Hayes-Byrd, Jacquelyn <(b)(6)@va.gov>; (b)(6)@va.gov>; Brazell, Karen <(b)(6)@va.gov>; (b)(6)@va.gov>; I(b)(6)(b)(6)@va.gov>
Subject: VA Weekly Cabinet Report

AMERICAN OVERSIGHT

Good afternoon,

Please submit your White House Weekly Cabinet Report entries no later than **3pm Monday, November 4**. The inclusive dates for this report are **November 6 – December 3**.

Please include weekly updates regarding MISSION Act, Forever GI Bill, Blue Water Navy, burn pits/toxic exposure, PREVENTS Task Force, EHRM, meetings/hearings/events involving Members of Congress, upcoming travel, public appearances, and any other major items specific to your area.

Please let me know if you have any questions.

Thank you and have a great weekend!

Darren

Darren Bossie
White House Liaison
Office of the Secretary
202-461-(b)(6)

AMERICAN OVERSIGHT

From: Bossie, Darren J.
Sent: Wed, 6 Nov 2019 19:21:32 +0000
To: Hudson, William A SES OSD OGC (USA)
Subject: RE: [Non-DoD Source] FW: VA
Attachments: smime.p7s

Thank you!

From: Hudson, William A SES OSD OGC (USA) <(b)(6) @mail.mil>
Sent: Wednesday, November 6, 2019 1:28 PM
To: Bossie, Darren J. (b)(6) @va.gov>
Subject: [EXTERNAL] RE: [Non-DoD Source] FW: VA

Darren my salary recap the last 5 years is as follows:

2015: $158,700
2016: $160,300
2017: $161,900
2018: $169,126
2019: $171,676

I have the actual SF-50's if you need me to send.

VR Bill

William A. Hudson, Jr.
Senior Counsel
Office of the DOD General Counsel
Work 703-693-(b)(6)
Cell 703-717(b)(6)

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From: Hudson, William A SES OSD OGC (USA)
Sent: Wednesday, November 6, 2019 12:29 PM
To: 'Bossie, Darren J.' <(b)(6) .@va.gov>
Subject: RE: [Non-DoD Source] FW: VA

Darren, all good. Working to get that information right away. Excited about coming over!!!

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From: Bossie, Darren J. <(b)(6) @va.gov>
Sent: Wednesday, November 6, 2019 12:18 PM
To: Hudson, William A SES OSD OGC (USA) (b)(6) @mail.mil>
Subject: [Non-DoD Source] FW: VA

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Good afternoon Bill,

VA Leadership definitely wants you to start on Tuesday, November 12. I will have someone from the Department of Veterans Affairs Corporate Senior Executive Management Office (CSEMO) reach out to you regarding HR questions and onboarding.

Please send me your 5 yr salary history so I may get PPO started on your approval.

Thank you,

Darren

From: Bossie, Darren J.
Sent: Wednesday, November 6, 2019 11:00 AM
To: Hudson, William A SES OSD OGC (USA) (b)(6) @mail.mil>
Subject: RE: VA

Good morning Bill!

AMERICAN OVERSIGHT

We are in the home stretch now!

Secretary Wilkie signed off on your appointment last night, and I have forwarded your package to the White House for approval. Once WH PPO and PA sign off, your package goes to OPM for final approval. I have asked for this process to be expedited.

Are you still able to start here at Veterans Affairs on Tuesday, November 12 provided there is final sign off by COB Friday? Please let me know.

The Office of Presidential Personnel needs one final piece of information before they will review your packet. Please send me your salary history for the last 5 years. This should be the final piece of information needed to complete this process.

Thank you and I look forward to hearing back from you!

Darren

Darren Bossie
White House Liaison
Office of the Secretary
Department of Veterans Affairs
202-461-(b)(6)

From: Hudson, William A SES OSD OGC (USA) <(b)(6)@mail.mil < Caution-mailto:(b)(6)@mail.mil > >
Sent: Monday, October 21, 2019 9:50 AM
To: Syrek, Christopher D. (Chris) <(b)(6)@va.gov < Caution-mailto:(b)(6)@va.gov > >
Cc: Bossie, Darren J. <(b)(6)@va.gov < Caution-mailto(b)(6)@va.gov > >
Subject: [EXTERNAL] RE: VA

Thanks Chris, standing by. Really looking forward to coming over. And as discussed I am out a few days this week beginning Thursday in Charleston, S.C for my 40th Reunion from The Citadel but back Monday.

Darren, let me know a good time to call. Look forward to meeting you.

VR Bill

William A. Hudson, Jr.
Senior Counsel

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Office of the DOD General Counsel
Work 703-693-(b)(6)
Cell 703-717-(b)(6)

From: Syrek, Christopher D. (Chris) <(b)(6)@va.gov < Caution-mailto:(b)(6)va.gov > >
Sent: Monday, October 21, 2019 9:19 AM
To: Hudson, William A SES OSD OGC (USA) <(b)(6)@mail.mil < Caution-mailto:(b)(6)mail.mil > >
Cc: Bossie, Darren J. <(b)(6)@va.gov < Caution-mailto:(b)(6)@va.gov > >
Subject: [Non-DoD Source] VA

Bill,

Linking you up here with Darren Bossie, our White House Liaison who handles political personnel moves.

He will send you some forms to fill out to start the process.

Thanks,
Chris

Christopher D. Syrek
Deputy Chief of Staff
U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs
Washington, D.C. 20420 | (202) 461(b)(6)

AMERICAN OVERSIGHT

From: Bossie, Darren J.
Sent: Tue, 19 Nov 2019 15:09:16 +0000
To: (b)(6) CIV SD
Subject: FW: Arlington Advisory Committee

Good morning (b)(6)

Please let me know when you are available to take a call from me today.

Unfortunately, VA has still not come up with a consensus name.

Thank you,

Darren

Darren Bossie
White House Liaison
Office of the Secretary
Department of Veterans Affairs
202-461-(b)(6)

From: Howard, Tom (NCA) <(b)(6) @va.gov>
Sent: Tuesday, November 19, 2019 9:59 AM
To: Bossie, Darren J. (b)(6) va.gov>
Subject: Arlington Advisory Committee

Hi Darren:

To follow up, we are working a few possible names for you re: the Arlington Advisory Committee.

Thanks,

Tom
Tom Howard
Chief of Staff
National Cemetery Administration
202.461.(b)(6)

AMERICAN OVERSIGHT

From: Bossie, Darren J.
Sent: Thu, 21 Nov 2019 19:26:47 +0000
To: (b)(6)@aol.com
Subject: FW: [EXTERNAL] White House Tour – REQUEST SUBMITTED

From: (b)(6)@va.gov>
Sent: Thursday, November 21, 2019 9:41 AM
To: Bossie, Darren J. <(b)(6)@va.gov>
Subject: FW: [EXTERNAL] White House Tour – REQUEST SUBMITTED

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202-461-(b)(6)

From: White House Tours - No Reply <(b)(6)who.eop.gov>
Sent: Thursday, November 21, 2019 9:38 AM
To: M(b)(6)@va.gov>(b)(6)who.eop.gov
Subject: [EXTERNAL] White House Tour – REQUEST SUBMITTED

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

Hello,

A self-guided holiday open house of the White House has been requested for the **VA - Powers** group, (CS-(b)(6) for **1** guest on **12/15/2019** at **11:30 AM.**

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Register your guests HERE by 11/28/2019 9:37 AM

What's Next?

		
Invite Your Guests!	**Track Responses**	**Print Boarding Pass**
Register	Guest List	Boarding Pass

Sincerely,

White House Visitors Office

AMERICAN OVERSIGHT

From: Bossie, Darren J.
Sent: Sun, 24 Nov 2019 19:57:17 +0000
To: (b)(6) @aol.com
Subject: FW: [EXTERNAL] White House Tour – RSVP REMINDER

Sent with BlackBerry Work
(www.blackberry.com)

From: White House Tours - No Reply (b)(6) @who.eop.gov>
Date: Saturday, Nov 23, 2019, 3:31 PM
To: Bossie, Darren J. (b)(6) @va.gov>, (b)(6) @who.eop.gov (b)(6) @who.eop.gov>
Subject: [EXTERNAL] White House Tour – RSVP REMINDER

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

Hello,

The RSVPs for your White House holiday open house reservation, requested for the **Bossie Group** group, (ID# **CS-**(b)(6) , for **6 guests** on **12/20/2019** at **09:30 AM**, are due on **11/24/2019 3:16 PM**.

0 of **6** guests have responded as of this email.

Register your guests HERE by 11/24/2019 3:16 PM

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Sincerely,

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From: Bossie, Darren J.
Sent: Tue, 26 Nov 2019 21:35:59 +0000
To: (b)(6)
Subject: RE: [EXTERNAL] Re: FW: White House Christmas Reception - December 5, 2019

My first reception!

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(www.blackberry.com)

From: (b)(6)@gmail.com>
Date: Tuesday, Nov 26, 2019, 4:34 PM
To: Bossie, Darren J. <(b)(6)@va.gov>
Subject: Re: [EXTERNAL] Re: FW: White House Christmas Reception - December 5, 2019

done, thanks.

On Tue, Nov 26, 2019 at 4:16 PM Bossie, Darren J. (b)(6)@va.gov> wrote:

> You are able to register yourself.
>
> -
>
> Enter my name and work email info first, then it will take you to your screen.
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> -
>
> **From:** (b)(6)@gmail.com>
> **Sent:** Tuesday, November 26, 2019 4:10 PM
> **To:** Bossie, Darren J. (b)(6)@va.gov>
> **Subject:** [EXTERNAL] Re: FW: White House Christmas Reception - December 5, 2019
>
> -
>
> Darren,
>
> -
>
> It looks like the instructions say that you register me after you register yourself. "Please use the email address in which you received your invitation to register yourself as the primary attendee. Once you have registered yourself, you will have the option to select 'Submit & Add Guest' to register your guest(s)." Did it give you the option to register me?
>
> Thanks,

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(b)(6)

On Tue, Nov 26, 2019 at 3:59 PM Bossie, Darren J. <(b)(6)@va.gov> wrote:

I just registered.

Let me know if the link to register gives you any problems.

From: 2019 Christmas Reception 2 <(b)(6)@who.eop.gov>
Sent: Thursday, November 7, 2019 3:03 PM
To: Bossie, Darren J. <(b)(6)@va.gov>
Subject: [EXTERNAL] White House Christmas Reception - December 5, 2019

Dear Mr. Bossie,

Please see your invitation below for a White House Christmas Reception on Thursday, December 5, 2019 at 4:00 p.m. An engraved invitation for this reception should soon be arriving in the mail.

This invitation is for you plus 1 guest and is non-transferable.

When submitting your RSVP, you must use the email address in which you received this invitation to register yourself as the primary attendee. Once you have registered yourself, you will have the option to then register your guest.

Please RSVP no later than Friday, November 29, 2019.

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From: Bossie, Darren J.
Sent: Thu, 28 Nov 2019 03:23:27 +0000
To: (b)(6) Sgt (b)(6)
Subject: FW: [EXTERNAL] White House Tour – REQUEST UPDATED

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(www.blackberry.com)

From: White House Tours - No Reply <(b)(6) who.eop.gov>
Date: Tuesday, Nov 26, 2019, 4:57 PM
To: Bossie, Darren J. (b)(6) va.gov>, (b)(6) who.eop.gov <(b)(6) who.eop.gov>
Subject: [EXTERNAL] White House Tour – REQUEST UPDATED

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

Hello,

A self-guided holiday open house of the White House has been updated for the **VA Cabinet Affairs Allotment (1 of 2)** group, (CS-(b)(6) for **50** guests on **12/15/2019** at **01:00 PM.**

RSVP by 12/3/2019 4:56 PM - RSVP Link

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RSVP Link	Guest List	Boarding Pass

Sincerely,

White House Visitors Office

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From: Bossie, Darren J.
Sent: Fri, 13 Dec 2019 04:14:14 +0000
To: (b)(6)@gmail.com
Subject: FW: [EXTERNAL] White House Tour – RSVP REMINDER

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(www.blackberry.com)

From: White House Tours - No Reply <(b)(6)@who.eop.gov>
Date: Thursday, Dec 12, 2019, 10:20 AM
To: Bossie, Darren J. <(b)(6)@va.gov>, (b)(6)@who.eop.gov <(b)(6)@who.eop.gov>
Subject: [EXTERNAL] White House Tour – RSVP REMINDER



THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

Hello,

The RSVPs for your White House holiday open house reservation, requested for the **VA - Extra Guest Spots** group, (ID# **CS-**(b)(6) for **7 guests** on **12/15/2019** at **11:30 AM**, are due on **12/13/2019 3:30 AM**.

0 of **7** guests have responded as of this email.

Register your guests HERE by 12/13/2019 3:30 AM

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AMERICAN OVERSIGHT

From: Bossie, Darren J.
Sent: Mon, 16 Dec 2019 18:21:40 +0000
To: (b)(6); (b)(2) ES USARMY HQDA ASA CW (USA)
Subject: RE: [EXTERNAL] Email contact

I'm in the Pentagon waiting area.

WHL Meeting today

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From: (b)(6); (b)(2) ES USARMY HQDA ASA CW (USA) <(b)(6); (b)(2) @mail.mil>
Date: Tuesday, Dec 10, 2019, 3:21 PM
To: Bossie, Darren J. <(b)(6) e@va.gov>, (b)(6) CIV SD (b)(6) sd.mil>
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Email contact

(b)(6) Darren,

Per your discussion the other night at the White House's Christmas party regarding personnel, I wanted to connect you two via email. Let me know if you need anything else from me.

Thanks,
(b)(6);
(b)(2)

AMERICAN OVERSIGHT

From: Bossie, Darren J.
Sent: Mon, 16 Dec 2019 18:26:07 +0000
To: (b)(6); (b)(2) SES USARMY HQDA ASA CW (USA)
Subject: RE: [Non-DoD Source] RE: [EXTERNAL] Email contact

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From: (b)(6); (b)(2) SES USARMY HQDA ASA CW (USA) (b)(6); (b)(2) @mail.mil>
Date: Monday, Dec 16, 2019, 1:25 PM
To: Bossie, Darren J. (b)(6) @va.gov>
Subject: RE: [Non-DoD Source] RE: [EXTERNAL] Email contact

Nice! I have a conference call at 1:30 but shouldn't last long. How long will you be in the building? Email me after you're done with your meeting and I'll swing by or you're welcome to stop by my office at (b)(6); Office line is 703-695-(b)(6);

From: Bossie, Darren J. <(b)(6) @va.gov>
Sent: Monday, December 16, 2019 1:22 PM
To: (b)(6); (b)(2) SES USARMY HQDA ASA CW (USA) <(b)(6); (b)(2) @mail.mil>
Subject: [Non-DoD Source] RE: [EXTERNAL] Email contact

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AMERICAN OVERSIGHT

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(b)(6)

Darren,

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Thanks,

(b)(6)

AMERICAN OVERSIGHT

From: Bossie, Darren J.
Sent: Mon, 16 Dec 2019 21:13:29 +0000
To: (b)(6), (b)(2) SES USARMY HQDA ASA CW (USA)
Subject: RE: [Non-DoD Source] RE: [EXTERNAL] Email contact

I'm heading back to the lobby now

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From: (b)(6), (b)(2) SES USARMY HQDA ASA CW (USA) <(b)(6), (b)(2) @mail.mil>
Date: Monday, Dec 16, 2019, 1:25 PM
To: Bossie, Darren J. <(b)(6) va.gov>
Subject: RE: [Non-DoD Source] RE: [EXTERNAL] Email contact

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Thanks,

(b)(6)

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From: Bossie, Darren J.
Sent: Mon, 16 Dec 2019 21:13:56 +0000
To: (b)(6); (b)(2) ES USARMY HQDA ASA CW (USA)
Subject: RE: [Non-DoD Source] RE: [EXTERNAL] Email contact

Sorry I just left. Needed to free up my escort

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From: (b)(6); (b)(2) SES USARMY HQDA ASA CW (USA) <(b)(6); (b)(2) @mail.mil>
Date: Monday, Dec 16, 2019, 1:25 PM
To: Bossie, Darren J. <(b)(6) @va.gov>
Subject: RE: [Non-DoD Source] RE: [EXTERNAL] Email contact

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To: (b)(6); (b)(2) SES USARMY HQDA ASA CW (USA)
Subject: RE: [Non-DoD Source] RE: [EXTERNAL] Email contact

I'm heading there tomorrow at 1pm

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From: (b)(6); (b)(2) SES USARMY HQDA ASA CW (USA) <(b)(6); (b)(2) @mail.mil>
Date: Monday, Dec 16, 2019, 2:32 PM
To: Bossie, Darren J. (b)(6) va.gov>
Subject: RE: [Non-DoD Source] RE: [EXTERNAL] Email contact

I have a favor to ask. I have a couple of thank you notes that need to go to the EEOB and if you're going to be there sometime this week, would you mind delivering them? I can come bring them down to the Pentagon Visitor's Center before you leave or can drop them off outside your office sometime this week.

From: Bossie, Darren J. <(b)(6) @va.gov>
Sent: Monday, December 16, 2019 1:26 PM
To: (b)(6); (b)(2) SES USARMY HQDA ASA CW (USA) (b)(6); (b)(2) @mail.mil>
Subject: RE: [Non-DoD Source] RE: [EXTERNAL] Email contact

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Cc: Syrek, Christopher D. (Chris)
Subject: RE: [EXTERNAL] Re: Moving Forward
Attachments: PPO Research Questionnaire - Form.pdf, Appointee Information Sheet SKC_SES (Disclaimer Update) - March15_2018.pdf

Good morning (b)(6); (b)(2)

Attached, please find the vetting paperwork needed to move forward on your SKC Appointment in the Office of Congressional and Legislative Affairs.

Once completed, please return the vetting paperwork directly to me. In addition, please include a 5 year salary history.

I apologize for not being here yesterday to meet you at the front door when you arrived. I look forward to meeting you in the near future.

Thank you,

Darren

Darren Bossie
White House Liaison
Office of the Secretary
Department of Veterans Affairs
202-461-4(b)(6)

From: (b)(6); (b)(2) @gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, December 9, 2019 7:05 AM
To: Bossie, Darren J. (b)(6) va.gov>
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Re: Moving Forward

Darren,
I hope you had a good weekend. Attached is my current resume and my current salary is approximately (b)(6); (b)(2)

Please let me know if you need additional information.

Best,
(b)(6); (b)(2)

On Fri, Dec 6, 2019 at 10:17 AM (b)(6) @va.gov> wrote:

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Hey (b)(6); (b)(2)

Spoke with Darren (CCed) and he needs a couple of things from you to get the ball rolling.

1st, need and updated resume.
2nd, your pay designation.

If you can shoot those over then Darren can start to get things moving forward.

Cheers,

(b)(6)

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Office of Congressional & Legislative Affairs
810 Vermont Ave. NW
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Name:

Research Questionnaire

Purpose: The purpose of this document is to expedite Presidential Personnel's vetting process. Please fill out the questionnaire with as much detail as possible. In the event that the question does not apply to you, please mark not applicable.

Please provide hyperlinks to any social media (Facebook, Twitter, LinkedIn, etc) account past/present. (Please note, that it is better not to go through your accounts and delete posts prior to the vetting process as the offending posts are often recoverable by the press in another form)

Facebook:

Twitter:

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LinkedIn:

YouTube:

Pinterest:

Misc:

Have you ever appeared on a political podcast? Talk radio/local radio? If yes, to the best of your ability, please provide as much information as possible regarding the program such as the name of the show, the host, the date it was aired/posted, the broadcaster and (If applicable) the hyperlink to the program.

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Have you ever appeared on any of the major cable networks (Fox, MSNBC, CNN, CNBC, etc.)? If yes, please list the network, the program, and, if possible, the date the program you appeared on was aired.

Have you ever testified before Congress? If so, please list the committee (and the subcommittee if applicable) you testified before and the date of the hearing.

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Have you ever run for or held elected office? Served on your local or state party committee? If yes, please give the office held/sought, the dates and any other information you deem pertinent.

Have you given speeches on a controversial issue? Or addressed a political conference like CPAC, the RNC, the DNC or any other political organization. To the best of your ability, please list any speech that you have made in support of a candidate, policy issue, or before a political organization. If you are able, please provide a link to or a transcript of the speech. If the volume of speeches given is too great in connection with holding elected office, please give a general description of your speeches and the types of groups you've spoken before.

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While many candidates include a curriculum vitae, those documents often do not cover the full breadth of their writings. Have you ever maintained a blog? Written an opinion piece that appeared in a traditional newspaper like the Wall Street Journal or the New York Times? Written for an online publication like Breitbart, Newsmax, or Mother Jones? Please list any opinion pieces you have written, the publication they appeared in, and links to the pieces if possible. For personal blogs, providing the name and link is sufficient.

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SKC/SES BIO SHEET

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To: (b)(6) V SD
Subject: RE: [EXTERNAL] RE: Two Bios for Arlington Advisory Committee Nominations - One pending
Attachments: smime.p7s

Good afternoon (b)(6)

Great seeing you yesterday!

What would be the effective date of General Beavers nomination? December 2019? January 2020?

Please advise.

Thank you,

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Darren,

Please forgive my delay. Thank you for the heads up.

Can you please ask Sec Wilkie to sign letter(s), along the lines of the attached? Most important is the letter to now Secretary of the Army, Ryan McCarthy.

Thanks in advance for your consideration.

I'll try to give you a holler just to touch base.

V/r,
(b)(6)
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Wk: 703-692-(b)(6)
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Thank you and Happy Thanksgiving!

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Hi Darren:

Per my email earlier this week, I am attaching two possible candidates for a possible SECVA appointment as VA's representative on the Arlington National Cemetery Advisory Committee.

USMA also plans to speak with COSVA re: one additional candidate. I hope to be able to follow up with you on that individual soon.

Thank you and please do let me know if you have any questions.

Thanks,

Tom

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202-461-(b)(6)

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Sent: Wed, 18 Dec 2019 15:00:41 +0000
To: (b)(6) CIV SD
Subject: RE: [EXTERNAL] RE: Two Bios for Arlington Advisory Committee Nominations - One pending
Attachments: smime.p7s

I just texted you (b)(6) s business card.

Please let me know if you do not receive it.

From: (b)(6) CIV SD <(b)(6) sd.mil>
Sent: Wednesday, December 18, 2019 9:26 AM
To: Bossie, Darren J. <(b)(6) va.gov>
Subject: RE: [EXTERNAL] RE: Two Bios for Arlington Advisory Committee Nominations - One pending

Darren,

Attached is (b)(6), (b)(2) s resume. Thank you in advance for considering her.

Also, when you have a chance, can you pass along the contact info for the WHL at Education?

Merry Christmas and Happy New Year!

Best,
(b)(6)

(b)(6)
Wk: 703-692-(b)(6)
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Sounds good!

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THE SECRETARY OF VETERANS AFFAIRS
WASHINGTON

December 18, 2019

The Honorable Ryan McCarthy
Secretary of the Army
The Pentagon
Washington, DC 20310

Dear Mr. Secretary:

It is with great pleasure that I nominate Brigadier General Leslie E. Beavers, United States Army, Retired, to represent the Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) as a member of the Advisory Committee on Arlington National Cemetery for a 2-year term, effective January 2020.

As a member and Chair of the VA Advisory Committee on Cemeteries and Memorials, General Beavers has been a significant contributor to the Committee, which includes Ex-Officio members from the Army National Military Cemeteries, American Battle Monuments Commission, and the National Park Service. Under his leadership, the Committee has recommended actions that are aligned with VA's strategic goals and public interests. He has also been a critical advisor to the National Cemetery Administration and a strong advocate for memorializing and preserving the legacy of Veterans with dignity and honor.

I appreciate VA's continued involvement on the Committee, and I look forward to hearing about the Committee's activities and recommendations.

Sincerely,

Robert L. Wilkie

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I served Beavers and my father fought together in Vietnam and Cambodia - a true patriot!

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THE SECRETARY OF VETERANS AFFAIRS
WASHINGTON

December 18, 2019

Brigadier General Leslie E. Beavers, USA, (Ret.)
515 South Benson Road
Frankfort, KY 40601

Dear General Beavers:

Thank you for your willingness to serve as a member of the Advisory Committee on Arlington National Cemetery. More importantly, thank you for the many years of service on the Department of Veterans Affairs Advisory Committee on Cemeteries and Memorials. I strongly believe that your expertise will be an asset for this new appointment.

The Advisory Committee on Arlington National Cemetery is authorized by statute, 10 United States Code 4723, to advise the Secretary of Defense, through the Secretary of the Army, on the administration of Arlington National Cemetery; the erection of memorials at the cemetery; and master planning for the cemetery. The Committee is chartered to meet up to four times annually. Your membership will begin when appointed by the Secretary of the Army.

If you have any questions concerning your appointment, please contact Ms. (b)(6) Designated Federal Officer, at (703) 614-1(b)(6) or by email at: (b)(6) @mail.mil.

Thank you for your willingness to continue serving our Nation's Veterans.

Sincerely,

Robert L. Wilkie

Robert L. Wilkie

Thank you for your courtesy to me. You are a patriot and unsurpassed hero!

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From: Bossie, Darren J.
Sent: Fri, 20 Dec 2019 02:43:07 +0000
To: (b)(6)@aol.com
Subject: FW: [EXTERNAL] White House Tour - TOMORROW

Sent with BlackBerry Work
(www.blackberry.com)

From: White House Tours - No Reply (b)(6)@who.eop.gov>
Date: Thursday, Dec 19, 2019, 9:36 AM
To: Bossie, Darren J. (b)(6)@va.gov>, (b)(6)@who.eop.gov
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THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

Hello,

Your self-guided holiday open house of the White House for the **Bossie Group** group, (CS-1(b)(6) for **5** of the **5** requested guests is tomorrow at **09:30 AM.**

What's Next?

	
Confirm Responses	**Print Boarding Pass**
Guest List	Boarding Pass

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What Guests Must Bring With Them

A Valid Government-Issued Photo ID



Drivers Licenses, Military IDs, Green Cards, and Passports are all valid forms of identification. US Citizens who are age 17 and under do not need a government-issued ID.



Foreign Passport

All foreign nationals must present a passport, regardless of age.

RSVP Information Must Match Your ID



All security information submitted to the White House using the RSVP link must match the valid, government-issued photo ID presented to US Secret Service on the day of your tour.

Printed Boarding Pass



Once your guests have cleared, you will receive an email with their tour boarding pass attached. If you are booking this tour on behalf of others, you must send this boarding pass to your guests. All guests are required to present the boarding pass on the day of their tour.

Arrival Instructions



Arrive 15 Minutes Before Scheduled Tour Time

This will help facilitate check in and clearing security.



Enter the White House Complex at the intersection of 15th St NW and Alexander Hamilton Place NW

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Friendly Reminders

Dress for the weather

Guests will be standing outside before their tour.

Eat a snack and hydrate prior to arrival

Guests are prohibited from bringing outside food and drink into the White House.

There are no restrooms available inside the White House

Restrooms are located at the Ellipse Visitor Pavilion and the White House Visitor Center.

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Only approved guests are permitted on tours



Unapproved additions and/or substitutions to your guest list are strictly prohibited and will be turned away by US Secret Service.

Tours are self-guided



Secret Service Officers are posted throughout the White House to provide historical information, all you have to do is ask!

What to leave at home



Certain items are prohibited. Guests should not bring these items with them as there is nowhere to store belongings and US Secret Service will confiscate certain materials and items.

On behalf of President and Mrs. Trump, we look forward to seeing you tomorrow.

Sincerely,

White House Visitors Office

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From: Bossie, Darren J.
Sent: Fri, 10 Jan 2020 23:41:54 +0000
To: (b)(6); (b)(2)
Subject: RE: [EXTERNAL] Re: Moving Forward

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Cc: Syrek, Christopher D. (Chris) <(b)(6) @va.gov>
Subject: Re: [EXTERNAL] Re: Moving Forward

Hi Darren,
Hope your week is going well. I wanted to touch base to see if there has been any updates.
Thank you,
(b)(6); (b)(2)

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Happy New Year!
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White House Liaison

Office of the Secretary

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202-461-(b)(6)

From: (b)(6); (b)(2) @gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, December 9, 2019 7:05 AM
To: Bossie, Darren J. <(b)(6) va.gov>
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Re: Moving Forward

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(b)(6)

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Special Assistant

Office of Congressional & Legislative Affairs

810 Vermont Ave. NW

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Washington, DC 20420



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From: Bossie, Darren J.
Sent: Thu, 16 Jan 2020 14:54:59 +0000
To: (b)(6); (b)(2)
Subject: RE: [EXTERNAL] Re: Moving Forward

Good morning (b)(6); (b)(2)

Thank you for letting me know your decision on the job offer. I wish you luck in your position!

Have a great day,

Darren

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Sent: Wednesday, January 15, 2020 11:18 PM
To: Bossie, Darren J. <(b)(6) @va.gov>
Cc: Syrek, Christopher D. (Chris) <(b)(6) @va.gov>
Subject: Re: [EXTERNAL] Re: Moving Forward

Hi Darren,

I apologize for the delayed response. After careful deliberation, I decided to move forward with the other job offer. I truly appreciate everyone's time and consideration and wish you and the department the best moving forward.

Thank you again,

(b)(6); (b)(2)

On Wed, Jan 15, 2020 at 12:46 PM Bossie, Darren J. <(b)(6) @va.gov> wrote:

> Good afternoon (b)(6);
>
> I wanted to check in with you and see if you have made a decision regarding the position in OCLA?
>
> The concurrence package has now moved quickly thru HR and has been held up on my desk since yesterday awaiting my signature. I am not able to forward your package to Mr. Syrek for his approval until I know that you are coming aboard.
>
> Please let me know by the end of the day if you will be accepting the position in OCLA.
>
> Thank you and I look forward to hearing back from you,
>
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White House Liaison
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202-461-(b)(6)

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To: Bossie, Darren J. (b)(6) @va.gov>; (b)(6); (b)(2) @gmail.com>
Subject: RE: [EXTERNAL] Re: Moving Forward

(b)(6);

Hope you are well. As I am sure you can imagine, we are anxious to move on this important hire during a busy time for VA on the Hill. Can you please let us know by COB tomorrow your intentions.

Thank you.
Chris

Christopher D. Syrek
Deputy Chief of Staff
U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs
Washington, D.C. 20420 | (202) 461-(b)(6)

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Good afternoon (b)(6);

The salary for a GS-14/Step 1 is $121,316.00. Please let me know when you have made a decision regarding the position.

Thank you and have a great day!

Darren

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To: Bossie, Darren J. <(b)(6) @va.gov>
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Hi Darren,

Thank you, I appreciate the status update. Are you able to provide more concrete details regarding the GS pay grade for the position? In my previous discussions I was never provided specific details regarding compensation.

Additionally, I received another job offer recently and would like to be able to fully consider both opportunities equally. I would appreciate if you are able to provide this information as soon as possible as I need to provide a response by midweek.

I likely would not be able to start before 3 February. I have not yet given notice to my current employer and would need to work with them to ensure there is a smooth transition.

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Washington, DC 20420
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Sent: Mon, 10 Feb 2020 19:03:07 +0000
To: (b)(6)
Cc:
Subject: RE: Meeting at the Department of Veterans Affairs

Thursday at 10am sounds good.

VA Deputy Chief of Staff Chris Syrek will be joining us. I look forward to meeting you on Thursday.

From: (b)(6) @empirestrategy.com>
Sent: Monday, February 10, 2020 12:25 PM
To: Bossie, Darren J. (b)(6) @va.gov>
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Re: Meeting at the Department of Veterans Affairs

Darren- Thank you so much for your note. Thursday at 10AM sounds perfect. I very much look forward to speaking with you about the National Purple Heart Honor Mission and the Purple Heart Commemorative Coin Act. I will be accompanied by my colleague (b)(6) if that is amenable. Thank you in advance for your time and your service to the President. In the interim, you can learn more about the organization at www.purpleheartmission.org.

Best regards,
(b)(6)

(b)(6)
Principal
Empire Solutions Consulting

From: Bossie, Darren J. (b)(6) va.gov>
Sent: Monday, February 10, 2020 12:15:21 PM
To: (b)(6) @empirestrategy.com>
Subject: Meeting at the Department of Veterans Affairs

Good morning (b)(6)

My name is Darren Bossie, and I am the White House Liaison working in the Office of the Secretary at the Department of Veterans Affairs. The White House passed along your information to me for the purpose of setting up a meeting between us on Wednesday or Thursday this week.

Are you available to come by the Department of Veterans Affairs on Thursday morning at 10am? If that time does not work, how about Wednesday the 12th at 3pm?

I look forward to hearing back from you.

Respectfully,

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Darren Bossie
White House Liaison
Office of the Secretary
Department of Veterans Affairs
202-461-(b)(6)

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From: Bossie, Darren J.
Sent: Wed, 19 Feb 2020 04:32:48 +0000
To: (b)(6) EOP/WHO
Subject: RE: [EXTERNAL] FW: Meeting with VA Sec. and John McEntee

The Secretary was out today. He will be in tomorrow.
I will let you know in the morning.

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(www.blackberry.com)

From: (b)(6) EOP/WHO <(b)(6) @who.eop.gov>
Date: Tuesday, Feb 18, 2020, 7:10 PM
To: Bossie, Darren J. (b)(6) @va.gov>
Subject: [EXTERNAL] FW: Meeting with VA Sec. and John McEntee

Darren,

I just wanted to follow up on this. Is there a time when McEntee can meet with the Secretary soon?

Thank you,

(b)(6)

From: (b)(6) EOP/WHO
Sent: Friday, February 14, 2020 4:56 PM
To: 'Bossie, Darren J.' (b)(6) @va.gov>
Subject: Meeting with VA Sec. and John McEntee

Hi Darren,

I hope the rest of your Friday has gone well.

I just wanted to reach out to see when a good time would be for the Secretary to meet with the new PPO Director John McEntee would be. I remember you mentioned this and have been tasked with scheduling. Thanks for your help.

Best,

(b)(6)

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From: (b)(6)
Sent: Wed, 19 Feb 2020 18:08:42 +0000
To: Bossie, Darren J.
Cc: (b)(6)
Subject: FW: Meeting with SECVA

Darren,
We're working this on our end....

(b)(6)
Executive Assistant to the Secretary
Office of the Secretary
Department of Veterans Affairs
202-461-4(b)(6)

From: (b)(6) @va.gov>
Sent: Wednesday, February 19, 2020 1:02 PM
To: (b)(6) . EOP/WHO (b)(6) who.eop.gov>
Cc: EOP/WHO <(b)(6) @who.eop.gov>; (b)(6) (b)(6) @va.gov>; (b)(6) @va.gov>
Subject: RE: Meeting with SECVA

Hello (b)(6) – Would Tuesday at 2:00pm work for you all? Thank you.

(b)(6)

From: (b)(6) EOP/WHO <(b)(6) @who.eop.gov>
Sent: Wednesday, February 19, 2020 12:57 PM
To: (b)(6) @va.gov>
Cc: (b)(6) EOP/WHO <(b)(6) @who.eop.gov>
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Meeting with SECVA

Hi J(b)(6) – I wanted to go ahead and connect you with my Deputy (b)(6) He's working to set Mr. McEntee's schedule for Monday and Tuesday and will be best positioned to work out a time that suits both parties.

Best,

(b)(6)

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From: Bossie, Darren J.
Sent: Thu, 20 Feb 2020 23:33:45 +0000
To: (b)(6) @usna.edu
Subject: FW: [EXTERNAL] White House Tour – RSVP REMINDER

Good evening Midshipmen (b)(6)
The White House has not yet confirmed the West Wing tour for March 14th. In the meantime, the White House has booked a White House East Wing tour for 6 people for 10am on Saturday, March 14th.
Please use the link below to register your guests prior to 4pm tomorrow. The registration link will expire tomorrow at 425pm. The link can be forwarded to each individual so they may enter their own personal information.
Please let me know if you have any questions.
Thank you,
Darren
Darren Bossie
White House Liaison
Office of the Secretary
Department of Veterans Affairs
202-461-(b)(6)

From: White House Tours - No Reply (b)(6) @who.eop.gov>
Date: Thursday, Feb 20, 2020, 4:32 PM
To: Bossie, Darren J. (b)(6) @va.gov>, (b)(6) @who.eop.gov <(b)(6) @who.eop.gov>
Subject: [EXTERNAL] White House Tour – RSVP REMINDER

THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

Hello,

The RSVPs for your White House tour reservation, requested for the **VA** group, (ID# **CS** (b)(6) for **6 guests** on **3/14/2020** at **10:00 AM**, are due on **2/21/2020 4:24 PM**.

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0 of **6** guests have responded as of this email.

Register your guests HERE by 2/21/2020 4:24 PM

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From: Bossie, Darren J.
Sent: Fri, 21 Feb 2020 22:39:51 +0000
To: (b)(6)
Subject: FW: [EXTERNAL] RE: Bio
Attachments: McEntee Bio.docx

As requested

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From: (b)(6) EOP/WHO <(b)(6) @who.eop.gov>
Date: Friday, Feb 21, 2020, 5:34 PM
To: Bossie, Darren J. <(b)(6) @va.gov>
Subject: [EXTERNAL] RE: Bio

Here you go, sir!

From: Bossie, Darren J. <(b)(6) @va.gov>
Sent: Friday, February 21, 2020 3:59 PM
To: (b)(6) EOP/WHO <(b)(6) @who.eop.gov>
Subject: Bio

Please send that bio when you get a chance

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Mr. John McEntee

John McEntee is the Director of the White House Office of Presidential Personnel. McEntee is in charge of overseeing the selection process for Presidential appointments and works to recruit candidates to serve the President in departments and agencies throughout the Executive Branch. Prior to this appointment, he volunteered for Donald J. Trump's campaign in 2015. While serving the campaign, he was quickly promoted and offered a full-time position as Trump's Trip Advisor. Following the election, McEntee transitioned to the role of the President's personal aid in the White House. McEntee was most recently the Senior Advisor of Campaign Operations for the President's 2020 re-election campaign.

McEntee is originally from California, and holds a Bachelor of Arts in Sociology from the University of Connecticut, where he was a member of the men's football team.

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From: (b)(6) EOP/WHO
Sent: Mon, 24 Feb 2020 13:31:55 +0000
To: Bossie, Darren J.;Syrek, Christopher D. (Chris)
Cc: (b)(6) EOP/WHO
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Time Change: Meeting with Sec. Wilkie and Mr. McEntee

Good Morning,

Hope y'all had a great weekend.

I just wanted to see if it would be possible to request a small change to the meeting this morning. Mr. McEntee would like to meet with the Secretary from 9:00am to 9:15am and then with Chief of Staff Powers and Deputy Chief Syrek from 9:15am-9:30am. Thank you for your consideration!

Best,

(b)(6)

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From: Syrek, Christopher D. (Chris)
Sent: Tue, 25 Feb 2020 14:29:15 +0000
To: Powers, Pamela;Bossie, Darren J.
Subject: RE: Question on SEs & Doctors

On it

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From: Powers, Pamela <(b)(6) @va.gov>
Date: Tuesday, Feb 25, 2020, 9:14 AM
To: Bossie, Darren J. (b)(6) @va.gov>, Syrek, Christopher D. (Chris) <(b)(6) @va.gov>
Subject: FW: Question on SEs & Doctors

Can you put together the numbers of Title 38 Doctors who should be considered SES? I believe (b)(6) did this exercise in the past???

Pamela Powers
VA Chief of Staff

From: (b)(6) @va.gov>
Date: Tuesday, Feb 25, 2020, 9:09 AM
To: Powers, Pamela <(b)(6) va.gov>
Subject: FW: Question on SEs & Doctors

Making sure you saw this...let me know what I can do to help

(b)(6)
202-461-(b)(6)

From: (b)(6) EOP/WHO <(b)(6) @who.eop.gov>
Sent: Tuesday, February 25, 2020 8:25 AM
To: Powers, Pamela <(b)(6) va.gov>
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Question on SEs & Doctors

Good morning Pamela,

John McEntee was wondering if you could send the information on SEs and doctors to him today?

Please let me know if you are in need of any other information,

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In thanks,

(b)(6)
Executive Assistant to the Director | Presidential Personnel
Executive Office of the President
Eisenhower Executive Office Building, #145
Office: (202) 395-(b)(6)
(b)(6) @who.eop.gov

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From: Powers, Pamela
Sent: Tue, 25 Feb 2020 21:29:56 +0000
To: (b)(6) EOP/WHO
Cc: Bossie, Darren J.
Subject: RE: [EXTERNAL] Question on SEs & Doctors

(b)(6)

These are our allocations for senior leaders. By law VA can only have 5% political appointees per SES allocations. Most other agencies have 10%.

- Title 5 SES allocations – 511 (onboard 389)
- Non-career SES allocations – 18 (based on the # onboard)
- Title 38 SESEQV – 144 (113 filled) (these are not allocations like Title 5 for which VA has to get approval from OPM, they are appointments)

Bottom line:
- Additional Non-career SES if OPM used onboarded Title 38 SESEQV: +6
- Additional Non-career SES if OPM used "allocations" vs "onboard": +6
- Additional Non-career SES if OPM used both "allocations" & Title 38: +13

Please let me know if you have any questions.

Thanks,
Pam

Pamela Powers
Veterans Affairs Chief of Staff
Office: 202-461-4(b)(6)
Cell: 202-430-(b)(6)
(b)(6) VA.gov



From: (b)(6) EOP/WHO <(b)(6) who.eop.gov>
Sent: Tuesday, February 25, 2020 10:06 AM
To: Powers, Pamela (b)(6) @va.gov>
Subject: RE: [EXTERNAL] Question on SEs & Doctors

Hi Pam,

Thank you,

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(b)(6)

From: Powers, Pamela <(b)(6)@va.gov>
Sent: Tuesday, February 25, 2020 9:54 AM
To: (b)(6) EOP/WHO <(b)(6)@who.eop.gov>
Subject: RE: [EXTERNAL] Question on SEs & Doctors

Hi (b)(6) we're working it and will get back to you by the end of the day.

Thanks.
Pam

Pamela Powers
VA Chief of Staff

From: (b)(6) EOP/WHO <(b)(6)@who.eop.gov>
Date: Tuesday, Feb 25, 2020, 8:25 AM
To: Powers, Pamela <(b)(6)va.gov>
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Question on SEs & Doctors

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Eisenhower Executive Office Building, #145
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(b)(6)@who.eop.gov

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From: Bossie, Darren J.
Sent: Tue, 3 Mar 2020 02:30:29 +0000
To: (b)(6) @gmail.com
Subject: FW: [EXTERNAL] White House Tour – REQUEST SUBMITTED

Here is the registration link for the White House tour!

From: White House Tours - No Reply <(b)(6) @who.eop.gov>
Date: Monday, Mar 02, 2020, 11:54 AM
To: Bossie, Darren J. (b)(6) @va.gov>, (b)(6) @who.eop.gov <(b)(6) who.eop.gov>
Subject: [EXTERNAL] White House Tour – REQUEST SUBMITTED

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

Hello,

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Register your guests HERE by 3/5/2020 11:52 AM

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From: Bossie, Darren J.
Sent: Wed, 4 Mar 2020 22:19:23 +0000
To: (b)(6) usna.edu
Subject: FW: [EXTERNAL] White House Tour – REQUEST SUBMITTED

Good afternoon Midshipmen (b)(6)

Below, please find the registration link for the White House East Wing Tour scheduled for March 28. The registration link expires tomorrow at 1145am.

Please let me know if you have any issues with the registration.

Thank you,

Darren

Darren Bossie
White House Liaison
Office of the Secretary
Department of Veterans Affairs
202-461-(b)(6)

From: White House Tours - No Reply (b)(6) @who.eop.gov>
Sent: Monday, March 2, 2020 11:52 AM
To: Bossie, Darren J. (b)(6) @va.gov> (b)(6) @who.eop.gov
Subject: [EXTERNAL] White House Tour – REQUEST SUBMITTED



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From: Bossie, Darren J.
Sent: Wed, 4 Mar 2020 22:22:03 +0000
To: (b)(6)@usna.edu
Subject: FW: [EXTERNAL] White House Tour – REQUEST SUBMITTED

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Office of the Secretary
Department of Veterans Affairs
202-461-(b)(6)

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From: Bossie, Darren J.
Sent: Fri, 6 Mar 2020 16:56:38 +0000
To: (b)(6); (b)(2)
Subject: RE: [EXTERNAL] (b)(6); s Resume

Received

From: (b)(6); (b)(2) 0gmail.com>
Sent: Thursday, March 5, 2020 7:38 PM
To: Bossie, Darren J. (b)(6) 0va.gov>
Subject: [EXTERNAL] (b)(6); Resume

Hi Darren,

Per our conversation regarding my interest in a position at PPO, attached is my resume.

Thanks so much,

(b)(6);
(b)(2)

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From: Bossie, Darren J.
Sent: Wed, 11 Mar 2020 15:59:25 +0000
To: Joshua J Quill
Subject: Accepted: [EXTERNAL] Lunch Between Josh Quill and Darren Bossie

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From: Bossie, Darren J.
Sent: Thu, 12 Mar 2020 21:54:41 +0000
To: (b)(6)
Cc: @gmail.com
Subject: RE: [EXTERNAL] Fw: Presidential Appointee Happy Hour Update

Is this event still happening tomorrow?

Thanks!

From: (b)(6) @yahoo.com>
Sent: Thursday, January 16, 2020 5:43 PM
To: (b)(6) yahoo.com>
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Fw: Presidential Appointee Happy Hour Update

FYI . . .

Please be sure to spread to the other politicals. If they want to get the email they need to be on the list and can email (b)(6) or I their personal.

Thanks,
(b)(6)

----- Forwarded Message -----
From: (b)(6) @yahoo.com>
To: (b)(6) @yahoo.com>
Cc: (b)(6) @gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, January 13, 2020, 08:32:06 PM EST
Subject: Presidential Appointee Happy Hour Update

Colleagues,

Thanks for the excellent turnout at Friday's happy hour. It was great to see so many new faces from throughout the Administration.

Two notes on upcoming gatherings . . .

First, based on suggestions and informal polling on Friday we've decided to move next month's event up a week to accommodate Valentine's Day which falls on our normal date, as does the start of the three day weekend (President's Day). So please update your calendars as our next happy hour will be Friday, February 7, 2020, at the usual time/place. You'll receive a reminder the first week of February.

Second, please take the following five question SurveyMonkey poll . . .

Presidential Appointee Happy Hour - Holiday Party 2020

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Presidential Appointee Happy Hour - Holiday Party 2020

Take this survey powered by surveymonkey.com. Create your own surveys for free.

There was an effort last year to hold a Holiday Party that didn't materialize so this year we're starting early.

Your input is important so that if it happens it will be an event that is both useful and enjoyable to you all. Your additional suggestions are welcome.

We've spoken to U.S. government ethics legal counsel and received confirmation we can hold this event and guidance on how to structure it in order to comply with the appropriate laws and regulations, so if you're interested in being part of the Host Committee let us know.

As always, please reach out to (b)(6) or I if you have any questions/concerns.

Thanks,
(b)(6)

(b)(6)
e@yahoo.com
202.713.6(b)(6)

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From: Bossie, Darren J.
Sent: Tue, 17 Mar 2020 01:50:09 +0000
To: Joshua J Quill
Subject: Re: How are you?

Sounds good.
Keep your family safe!
Get Outlook for iOS
From: Joshua J Quill <(b)(6)@ey.com>
Sent: Monday, March 16, 2020 9:44:08 PM
To: Bossie, Darren J. <(b)(6)va.gov>
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Re: How are you?

Hi Darren,
Unfortunately, given the current situation with COVID-19 I think we should reschedule our lunch.
I hope we are able to catch-up in the near future.
I apologize for any inconvenience.
Joshua Quill | Senior Manager | Government & Public Sector
Ernst & Young LLP
1775 Tysons Blvd. Tysons, VA 22102
Cell: 202-747-(b)(6) (b)(6)@ey.com
Website: http://www.ey.com
From: Bossie, Darren J. (b)(6)va.gov>
Sent: Wednesday, March 11, 2020 12:09:19 PM
To: Joshua J Quill <(b)(6)ey.com>
Subject: RE: How are you?

Sounds great!

I already accepted the calendar invite.

From: Joshua J Quill <(b)(6)ey.com>
Sent: Wednesday, March 11, 2020 11:48 AM
To: Bossie, Darren J (b)(6)va.gov>
Subject: [EXTERNAL] RE: How are you?

Hi Darren,

Tuesday at 12:30pm works for me.

I made reservations at Founding Farmers. I just sent you a calendar invitation with the confirmation number and a link to the hope.

Best,

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Josh

Joshua Quill | Senior Manager | Government & Public Sector
Ernst & Young LLP
Cell: 202-747-(b)(6) @ey.com

From: Bossie, Darren J. <(b)(6) va.gov>
Sent: Wednesday, March 11, 2020 11:31 AM
To: Joshua J Quill <(b)(6) @ey.com>
Subject: RE: How are you?

Unfortunately I am not able to make lunch work this week.

Are you free on Tuesday? If so, let's meet Tuesday at 1230pm. Corner Bakery Café work for you? Or maybe Founding Farmers?

From: Joshua J Quill <(b)(6) @ey.com>
Sent: Monday, March 9, 2020 1:26 PM
To: Bossie, Darren J. (b)(6) va.gov>
Subject: [EXTERNAL] RE: How are you?

Good afternoon Darren,

I know how busy you are, so wanted to put this at the top of your box.

Let me know which day this week works best for you.

Thank you!

Best,
Josh

Joshua Quill | Senior Manager | Government & Public Sector
Ernst & Young LLP
Cell: 202-747-(b)(6) @ey.com

From: Joshua J Quill
Sent: Wednesday, March 4, 2020 10:39 AM
To: Bossie, Darren J. (b)(6) va.gov>
Subject: RE: How are you?

Good morning Darren,

Tuesday and Wednesday around noon of next week works for me.

I'm happy to meet on whichever day matches your availability.

I look forward to meeting.

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Best,
Josh

Joshua Quill | Senior Manager | Government & Public Sector
Ernst & Young LLP
Cell: 202-747-(b)(6) @ey.com

From: Bossie, Darren J. <(b)(6) @va.gov>
Sent: Wednesday, March 4, 2020 10:12 AM
To: Joshua J Quill (b)(6) @ey.com>
Subject: RE: How are you?

Good morning Josh!

Hope all is well. Thanks for the note!

Are you free for lunch next week?

Let me know which day works for you.

Darren

From: Joshua J Quill <(b)(6) @ey.com>
Sent: Tuesday, February 11, 2020 1:29 PM
To: Bossie, Darren J. (b)(6) @va.gov>
Subject: [EXTERNAL] How are you?

Hi Darren,

I hope all is well!

I know you have my personal email but wanted to reach out and share my work email as well.

I'd love to catch-up in the near future, maybe lunch (happy to brown bag it), and stay connected.

Best,
Josh

Joshua Quill | Senior Manager | Government & Public Sector

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From: (b)(6) EOP/WHO
Sent: Wed, 18 Mar 2020 22:04:19 +0000
To: Bossie, Darren J.
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Fwd: Individual Cleared for Permanent Status
Attachments: 20200318175208917.pdf, ATT00001.htm

FYI

Best,
(b)(6)

Begin forwarded message:

From: "Bacon, James A. EOP/WHO" (b)(6) @who.eop.gov>
Date: March 18, 2020 at 5:52:40 PM EDT
To: (b)(6) @opm.gov" (b)(6) @opm.gov>, (b)(6) @opm.gov" (b)(6) @opm.gov>
Cc: (b)(6) EOP/WHO" (b)(6) @who.eop.gov>, (b)(6) EOP/WHO" (b)(6) @who.eop.gov>, "McEntee, John D. II EOP/WHO" (b)(6) @who.eop.gov>, (b)(6) EOP/WHO" (b)(6) @who.eop.gov>, (b)(6) EOP/WHO" (b)(6) @who.eop.gov>
Subject: Individual Cleared for Permanent Status

Good Afternoon (b)(6)

Please confirm receipt.

Virginia Boney
VA
Special Advisor, Office of Congressional and Legislative Affairs
DVGS17008
GS 15/1 - $142,701

James Bacon
Director of Operations
Office of Presidential Personnel

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THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

March 18, 2020

MEMORANDUM FOR PAUL DANS
WHITE HOUSE LIAISON
U.S. OFFICE OF PERSONNEL MANAGEMENT

FROM: JAMES BACON
SUBJECT: PERSONNEL APPROVALS

Please clear the following individual for permanent status:

Virginia Boney
VA
Special Advisor, Office of Congressional and Legislative Affairs
(b)(6)
GS 15/1 - $142,701

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From: Powers, Pamela
Sent: Sat, 21 Mar 2020 18:04:26 +0000
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Please disregard the previous email. We have some recommended changes (highlighted below). There are 9.5M veterans in our healthcare system but we serve the more than 19M in various ways.

Thank you,
Pam

Today, President Donald J. Trump and Secretary Robert Wilkie, Department of Veterans Affairs, spoke by telephone with leaders of veteran service organizations on the whole-of-Government response to COVID-19. The President thanked those devoted to serving America's more than 19 million veterans and assured them that his Administration will do whatever is necessary to win this war. The President noted his unprecedented actions to protect American veterans, including the establishment of 19 VA emergency operation centers throughout the country, restricting visitor access to VA community living centers, and maximizing the use of VA telehealth. The President said he, and our country, are inspired by our Nation's veterans to make shared sacrifices to defeat America's newest enemy.

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VA Concurs. Thanks for the opportunity to review.

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For awareness, below is a draft readout to be released after the President's call with Veterans Service Organizations. This call is now scheduled for 3 p.m.

If we do not hear from you **by 2:30 p.m.**, we will assume your clearance.

Thank you,

STAFF SEC

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