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[Abdelnour, Ziad](#)

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Ziad Abdelnour, a Lebanese American stridently devoted to the cause of driving Syria and Hezbollah from Lebanon, has been involved in a number of neocon-led initiatives on Middle East politics. An...

[Abrams, Elliott](#)

Last Updated: January 27, 2009

Elliott Abrams, a key advisor on Mideast policy at the National Security Council (NSC) during the George W. Bush presidency, is a well-known neoconservative ideologue who was convicted (and later...

[Addington, David](#)

Last Updated: July 27, 2009

Dick Cheney's right-hand man on everything from evading congressional oversight of "war on terror" policies to authorizing the use of torture, Addington is one of several Bush lawyers who has had trouble finding work since leaving government service.

[Adelman, Carol](#)

Last Updated: October 23, 2006

Carol Adelman, a senior fellow at the Hudson Institute, is a specialist in international aid and health issues. She is director of Hudson's Center for Global Prosperity, which, according to its...

[Adelman, Kenneth](#)

Last Updated: October 29, 2008

Ken Adelman, a longtime Washington insider closely aligned with neoconservatives, has served several Republican administrations since the mid-1970s.¹ A member of the Defense Policy Board during the...

[Adelson, Sheldon](#)

Last Updated: February 14, 2008

Sheldon Adelson, the CEO of the Las Vegas Sands Corp. and one of the wealthiest men in the world, is an important financial backer of a number of individuals and organizations who promote hardline...

[Agnew, Harold](#)

Last Updated: July 12, 2006

Harold Agnew is a nuclear physicist who worked on both the creation of the first atomic weapons and on the project to build the hydrogen bomb. As a young member of the Manhattan Project, Agnew flew...

[Aldridge, Edward "Pete"](#)

Last Updated: November 01, 2006

As Donald Rumsfeld's undersecretary of defense for acquisition, technology, and logistics from May 2001 to May 2003, Edward C. "Pete" Aldridge Jr. held the purse strings at the Pentagon,...

[Allen, Richard](#)

Last Updated: June 23, 2009

Ensclosed at the conservative Hoover Institution, this former member of Donald Rumsfeld's Defense Policy Board now seems to spend much of his time distressing over President Obama and venerating the memory of Ronald Reagan...

[Amitay, Morris](#)

Last Updated: June 27, 2007

Morris Amitay, an influential Washington lobbyist and longtime legislative assistant in Congress, is the former head of the American Israel Public Affairs Committee (AIPAC) and former vice chairman...

[Anderson, Martin](#)

Last Updated: November 19, 2003

Anderson has been a central conservative political figure for decades, working on the campaigns of various Republican presidential candidates and as a scholar at several right-wing think tanks. He...

[Ashcroft, John](#)

Last Updated: December 20, 2007

John David Ashcroft, a former Republican governor and senator from Missouri and high-profile member of the conservative judicial group Federalist Society, served as U.S. attorney general during...

[Atri, Akbar](#)

Last Updated: October 18, 2007

A self-styled member of the Iranian student dissident movement, Akbar Atri has, since fleeing Iran in 2005, become a favorite of the neoconservative faction in the United States, where he has...

[Augustine, Norman R.](#)

Last Updated: November 19, 2003

Norman Augustine, a former army undersecretary and chief officer of a string of military contractors, has supported the work of the American Enterprise Institute and the Center for Security Policy....

[Bailey, Kathleen](#)

Last Updated: June 05, 2009

[Barr, William](#)

Last Updated: November 19, 2003

Barr, an adviser to William Bennett's Americans for Victory over Terrorism, first rose to prominence in the conservative network in the late 1980s when he was appointed to a series of posts in...

[Bauer, Gary](#)

Last Updated: June 26, 2007

Gary Bauer, a major figure of the Christian Right and former presidential candidate, has been a key organizer of campaigns linking rightist pro-Israel Christian groups and conservative Christian...

[Bayefsky, Anne](#)

Last Updated: May 03, 2007

A Canadian international human rights law scholar, Anne Bayefsky is closely associated with the pro-Israel Right in the United States and internationally. Her writing, which often appears in rightist...

[Becker, Gary](#)

Last Updated: October 17, 2007

Gary Becker, the winner of the 1992 Nobel Prize in Economics, is a conservative writer and economist based at the University of Chicago and Stanford University's Hoover Institution. A well known...

[Bell, Jeffrey](#)

Last Updated: November 19, 2003

Bell, the former president of the rightwing Manhattan Institute (called by one writer a "launch pad for conservative writers"), is a long time Republican Party operative. He is associated...

[Benador, Eleana \(Eliana\)](#)

Last Updated: December 12, 2007

Eleana Benador is the founder of Benador Associates, a public relations firm that helped publicize the work of neoconservatives and other hardline figures who advocated for U.S. intervention in the...

[Bennett, William](#)

Last Updated: July 18, 2007

William Bennett was for decades a key right-wing player in U.S. politics and is now a conservative radio talk show host. The one-time self-appointed moral compass for America, Bennett's...

[Bergner, Jeffrey](#)

Last Updated: November 19, 2003

Bergner, a former Senate staffer and corporate lobbyist with strong ties to several major right-wing organizations, was included in Public Citizen's report "Most Popular Drug Industry..."

[Berman, Ilan](#)

Last Updated: April 30, 2007

Ilan Berman, vice president of the American Foreign Policy Council (AFPC), is a widely cited observer of Middle East affairs who is associated with a string of policy outfits that have played a...

[Black, Conrad](#)

Last Updated: December 10, 2007

Conrad Black, an erstwhile media mogul closely connected to rightist political factions in the United States, was convicted in July 2007 for defrauding shareholders of his Hollinger International...

[Bolton, John](#)

Last Updated: April 22, 2007

After resigning as the U.S. ambassador to the United Nations at the end of 2006, John Bolton, an influential advocate of hardline foreign and defense policies closely associated with the...

[Boot, Max](#)

Last Updated: October 09, 2008

Max Boot is a prolific and sometimes controversial writer who specializes in U.S. national security. A promoter of hawkish, neoconservative views similar to those of writers like Charles Krauthammer...

[Bork, Ellen](#)

Last Updated: July 12, 2006

Ellen Bork, daughter of conservative icon and former Supreme Court justice nominee Robert Bork, is the acting executive director of the Project for the New American Century (PNAC). This is likely not...

[Bork, Robert H.](#)

Last Updated: November 19, 2003

Robert Bork, the conservative icon and former New Deal liberal who moved to the right while a student at the University of Chicago in the 1950s, was nominated to the Supreme Court by Ronald Reagan in...

[Bremer, L. Paul](#)

Last Updated: July 12, 2006

"Some in America . speak of setting timetables for the withdrawal of our forces. This would be an historic mistake. Withdrawing our troops before Iraqis can defend themselves would endanger...

[Brooks, Linton](#)

Last Updated: August 23, 2007

Linton Brooks, an experienced arms control negotiator and proponent of controversial strategic weapons programs, served as director of the Energy Department's National Nuclear Security...

[Brownback, Sam](#)

Last Updated: February 15, 2007

Sen. Sam Brownback (R-KS), a leading social conservative in Congress, is seeking the Republican Party's 2008 presidential nomination. Although the two-term Kansas senator is primarily known for...

[Broxmeyer, Mark](#)

Last Updated: May 22, 2007

As chairman since 2002 of the Jewish Institute for National Security Affairs (JINSA), Mark Broxmeyer is one of two self-made magnates helming one of the most powerful pro-Israel organizations in the...

[Bryen, Shoshana](#)

Last Updated: May 22, 2007

Shoshana Bryen, a director of the Jewish Institute for National Security Affairs (JINSA), served as JINSA's executive director from 1981 to 1991 after taking over from her husband, Stephen Bryen,...

[Bryen, Stephen](#)

Last Updated: May 23, 2007

Stephen D. Bryen is a longtime Washington insider. He is president of the defense contractor Finmeccanica, Inc., which is the U.S. branch of the Italian arms maker that maintains close ties to many...

[Bush, John Ellis "Jeb"](#)

Last Updated: April 27, 2008

In January 2007, after eight years in office, Jeb Bush left the governorship of Florida as one of the most popular executives in the state's history.¹ The brother of President George W. Bush...

[Cambone, Stephen](#)

Last Updated: March 12, 2008

In November 2007, Stephen Cambone, the controversial undersecretary of defense for intelligence in the Donald Rumsfeld-led Pentagon, became vice president for strategy of QinetiQ North America, a...

[Carlucci, Frank](#)

Last Updated: April 30, 2004

Frank Carlucci, Ronald Reagan's defense secretary and a former CIA deputy director, has had a colorful career as a government insider and corporate player. The Carlyle Group, which Carlucci...

[Carney, Chris](#)

Last Updated: January 07, 2007

In November 2006, Chris Carney, a professor of political science at Penn State and a Naval Reserve Officer, won election to the U.S. House of Representatives as a Democrat in a staunchly conservative...

[Chalabi, Ahmed](#)

Last Updated: November 28, 2007

Ahmed Chalabi, an Iraqi exile close to many U.S. neoconservatives, headed the Iraqi National Congress (INC)—the exile party wooed by the likes of Paul Wolfowitz and Richard Perle that was...

[Chao, Elaine](#)

Last Updated: June 09, 2009

The former secretary of labor has returned to the Heritage Foundation, where she worked before being tapped by George W. Bush in 2001...

[Chavez, Linda](#)

Last Updated: April 30, 2004

George W. Bush's first choice for labor secretary, Linda Chavez is a right-wing pundit, anti-union demagogue, and foreign policy hawk. She has supported or worked for a string of rightist...

[Cheney, Elizabeth](#)

Last Updated: April 16, 2009

Elizabeth Cheney, the daughter of Vice President Dick Cheney, was a State Department official overseeing Mideast policy during the George W. Bush administration. At State, Cheney oversaw efforts to...

[Cheney, Lynne](#)

Last Updated: April 16, 2009

Lynne Cheney, the wife of former Vice President Dick Cheney, has been a high-profile supporter of rightist causes for decades, including from her current perch as senior fellow at the American...

[Cheney, Richard "Dick"](#)

Last Updated: April 16, 2009

Richard ("Dick") Cheney is widely considered one of the most powerful vice presidents in U.S. history, having played an instrumental role in everything from expanding presidential war...

[Chertoff, Michael](#)

Last Updated: May 11, 2009

The former head of DHS and a key advocate of the Bush administration's "war on terror," Chertoff recently founded a risk management firm and joined the law firm of Covington & Burling...

[Clawson, Patrick](#)

Last Updated: July 12, 2006

In the growing campaign to push for U.S. military intervention in Iran, Patrick Clawson, the deputy director for research at the Washington Institute for Near East Policy (WINEP), has emerged as a...

[Cleave, William Van](#)

Last Updated: April 30, 2007

William Van Cleave, a defense adviser during the Reagan administration and an associate of a number of hardline and neoconservative policy outfits, is the founder and former chair of the Defense and...

[Cohen, Eliot](#)

Last Updated: August 20, 2009

A neocon admired by some liberal hawks, Cohen disparages the Obama administration's pursuit of diplomacy as shallow and merely an effort not to be like Bush...

[Cooper, Henry F. \(Hank\)](#)

Last Updated: March 08, 2004

Henry Cooper, former head of the Pentagon's missile defense organization and a long-standing supporter of Star Wars programs, heads the pro-missile defense group High Frontier and is chairman of...

[Cox, Christopher](#)

Last Updated: January 12, 2009

Christopher Cox served as chairman of the Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC) in the second term of the George W. Bush administration; prior to that, he represented California in the House of...

[Cropsey, Seth](#)

Last Updated: October 09, 2009

The former head of the Bush administration's International Broadcasting Bureau, Cropsey has moved to the neocon-led Hudson Institute, where he writes screeds accusing President Obama of "appeasing" the Russians and attacking his efforts at rapprochement with the Muslim world.

[Cross, Devon Gaffney](#)

Last Updated: April 14, 2008

Devon Gaffney Cross is a longtime philanthropist associated with various rightist foundations who also served on a Pentagon advisory board during the George W. Bush presidency. Her brother, Frank...

[Crouch, J.D. II](#)

Last Updated: May 08, 2007

J.D. Crouch II is a former deputy national security adviser and assistant to President George W. Bush who resigned in early May 2007. Regarded as one of the administration's staunchest foreign...

[D'Souza, Dinesh](#)

Last Updated: February 07, 2007

An immigrant from India who became a high-profile right-winger in the United States, Dinesh D'Souza has been a mainstay of conservative academics since the early 1990s, when his anti-political...

[Decter, Midge](#)

Last Updated: September 19, 2007

Midge Decter is best known as a member of a leading neoconservative family, the Podhoretz clan. Her second husband, Norman Podhoretz, was editor of the neoconservative flagship magazine Commentary...

[DeMuth, Christopher](#)

Last Updated: March 17, 2009

Christopher DeMuth served as president of the American Enterprise Institute (AEI), a key intellectual recruiting ground for the George W. Bush presidency and a preeminent think tank of...

[Dine, Thomas](#)

Last Updated: April 17, 2007

Thomas Dine is the former head of the militarist pro- Israel lobby group the American Israel Public Affairs Committee (AIPAC) and a supporter of a number of hardline policies of the George W. Bush...

[Dobriansky, Paula](#)

Last Updated: January 25, 2009

Paula Dobriansky was the undersecretary of state for democracy and global affairs during the presidency of George W. Bush. A long-standing Washington political figure with ties to neoconservative...

[Donahue, Thomas](#)

Last Updated: November 19, 2003

Donahue, a longtime union organizer, has been closely associated with the anti-communist right wing of U.S. organized labor. In 1995, after then-AFL-CIO President Lane Kirkland was pushed out by...

[Donnelly, Thomas](#)

Last Updated: November 29, 2007

Thomas Donnelly, a fellow at the American Enterprise Institute (AEI) and a former deputy director of the now-defunct Project for the New American Century (PNAC), writes frequently on defense and...

[Doran, Michael](#)

Last Updated: January 26, 2009

Michael Doran, a highly regarded if controversial academic scholar on Middle Eastern politics whose expertise includes Islamic extremist websites, served as head of Near East and North African...

[Eberstadt, Nicholas](#)

Last Updated: December 30, 2007

Nicholas Eberstadt, a long-standing participant in hawkish U.S. advocacy groups dating back to the early 1980s, is an Asia scholar and demographer associated with the American Enterprise Institute...

[Ebner, Stanley](#)

Last Updated: November 19, 2003

Like many of the advisory board members of the hawkish Center for Security Policy (CSP), Stanley Ebner has intimate ties to military industry, having served as a corporate officer for Boeing,...

[Edelman, Eric](#)

Last Updated: June 09, 2009

An undersecretary of defense during George W. Bush's second term, Edelman is now "distinguished

fellow" at the Center for Strategic and Budgetary Assessments....

[Ehrenfeld, Rachel](#)

Last Updated: April 30, 2007

Rachel Ehrenfeld, a prominent voice in the rightist discourse connecting terrorism and transnational crime, is the founder of the American Center for Democracy (ACD), a Manhattan-based policy center...

[Emerson, Steven](#)

Last Updated: December 07, 2006

Steve Emerson is a former freelance journalist turned antiterrorism "expert" who began making a name for himself in the mid-1990s as one of the key promoters of the idea that Islamic...

[England, Gordon](#)

Last Updated: June 06, 2005

Like other armed service secretaries originally appointed by George W. Bush—including James Roche and Thomas White—Gordon England arrived at the Pentagon fresh from duties as an executive...

[Evans, Michael D.](#)

Last Updated: September 08, 2008

Michael D. Evans is a prominent Christian evangelical author whose works promote a hardline Christian Zionist¹ view of Middle East peace issues in which defending Israel is seen as a Christian duty...

[Falcoff, Mark](#)

Last Updated: November 19, 2003

Mark Falcoff, a Latin American expert at the American Enterprise Institute, was an active supporter in the 1980s of the Nicaraguan Contras and supported the work of PRODEMCA, a purported...

[Feith, Douglas](#)

Last Updated: May 28, 2008

Douglas Feith, a longtime neoconservative and former lawyer who has promoted militarist security policies in the United States and Israel, served four years in the George W. Bush administration as...

[Feulner, Edwin](#)

Last Updated: November 21, 2003

In 1989, when President Reagan awarded Edwin Feulner the Presidential Citizens Medal for being the "leader of the conservative movement," there was little to dispute. As president and...

[Finley, Julie](#)

Last Updated: September 30, 2008

Described by the National Endowment for Democracy (NED), where she served on the board, as “a prominent Republican Party activist,” Finley worked for many years as a Washington,...

[Fleitz, Frederick](#)

Last Updated: January 19, 2009

Fred Fleitz is a career intelligence officer who served as chief of staff to John Bolton in the State Department and as a Republican staffer on the House Intelligence Committee during the George W....

[Fogleman, Ronald](#)

Last Updated: December 11, 2003

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[Forbes, Steve](#)

Last Updated: May 11, 2008

Malcolm Stevenson “Steve” Forbes Jr., head of the Forbes magazine empire, is an active supporter of a number of militarist policy organizations that have pushed for an expansive...

[Forstmann, Theodore](#)

Last Updated: November 19, 2003

Forstmann, a high-powered equity investor, has close ties to a number of key rightwing figures. His Forstmann Little buyout firm counts among its former advisers Henry Kissinger and George Shultz....

[Fort, Randall](#)

Last Updated: January 19, 2009

Randall Fort, a former corporate officer with Goldman Sachs and program director at TRW's space and defense groups, served as assistant secretary for intelligence and research in the State...

[Foster, John Jr.](#)

Last Updated: September 12, 2007

John Foster Jr. is a distinguished scientist whose career working in the U.S. weapons complex dates back to the early years of the atomic era. Closely affiliated with a long line of hardline policy...

[Fradkin, Hillel](#)

Last Updated: July 10, 2007

Hillel Fradkin is a specialist in Islamic studies and a noted Straussian scholar with a long track record of working for or supporting major neoconservative and hardline pro-Israel outfits, including...

[Friedberg, Aaron](#)

Last Updated: November 19, 2003

When Friedberg, a China scholar at Princeton University, was appointed in May 2003 to his current policy post working under I. Lewis Libby and Vice President Dick Cheney, many observers saw it as a...

[Frum, David](#)

Last Updated: November 30, 2008

Frum, a conservative writer based at the American Enterprise Institute, criticized the Sarah Palin vice presidential nomination and questioned the direction of the Republican Party.

[Fukuyama, Francis](#)

Last Updated: March 13, 2007

One of the most well-known U.S. academics due in large measure to his famous "end of history" thesis, Francis Fukuyama is a political scientist based at the Johns Hopkins School of Advanced...

[Gabriel, Brigitte](#)

Last Updated: August 22, 2007

Brigitte Gabriel has made a post-9/11 career out of roundly denouncing Islam, decrying "political correctness," and promoting the concept of an existential clash of cultures. She founded...

[Gaffney, Frank](#)

Last Updated: April 30, 2007

Frank Gaffney, a former Reagan administration official who got his start working under Richard Perle on the staff of Sen. Henry "Scoop" Jackson (D-WA) in the 1970s, is a prominent...

[Garner, Jay](#)

Last Updated: November 19, 2003

A military officer with ties to the weapons industry, rightwing nongovernmental advocacy groups, and government threat assessment panels, Jay Garner's track record demonstrates the sort of...

[Gedmin, Jeffrey](#)

Last Updated: April 17, 2007

Jeffrey Gedmin, a longtime supporter of neoconservative advocacy efforts aimed at pushing interventionist overseas foreign and military policies, was named the director of Radio Free Europe/Radio...

[Gerecht, Reuel Marc](#)

Last Updated: January 26, 2009

Reuel Marc Gerecht, a former Middle East specialist at the CIA's directorate of operations, is a senior fellow at the Foundation for Defense of Democracies (FDD), where he "focuses on Iran,..."

[Gershman, Carl](#)

Last Updated: June 19, 2007

Carl Gershman is the longtime head of the National Endowment for Democracy (NED) and a former leading figure in U.S. sectarian politics, dating back to the mid-1970s when he was head of the Social...

[Gerson, Mark](#)

Last Updated: October 11, 2007

Mark Gerson, author of the 1996 book *The Neoconservative Vision*, an oft-cited sycophantic book about the roots and trajectory of the political faction, is CEO of Gerson Lehrman Group, a consulting...

[Gerson, Michael](#)

Last Updated: October 01, 2007

Michael Gerson, an Evangelical former White House speechwriter who writes regular newspaper columns, is a staunch promoter of the idea that "evil exists and it has to be confronted" (quoted...

[Gingrich, Newt](#)

Last Updated: August 20, 2009

AEI fellow and former House Speaker Newt Gingrich is enjoying a splashy media comeback as a harsh and vociferous critic of the new administration...

[Glick, Caroline](#)

Last Updated: July 09, 2008

Caroline Glick is an editor and columnist at the *Jerusalem Post*, the conservative newspaper that was once part of Conrad Black's Hollinger media empire, a senior fellow for Middle East Affairs...

[Goldfarb, Michael](#)

Last Updated: November 20, 2008

A blogger for the McCain campaign and an editor at the *Weekly Standard*, Goldfarb outraged many observers when he accused some of Barack Obama's associates of antisemitism.

[Gompert, David](#)

Last Updated: November 19, 2003

Gompert has been a figure in U.S. national security policymaking for decades, having served in several administrations and worked for a variety of policy institutes, including RAND and the National...

[Gouré, Daniel](#)

Last Updated: September 05, 2007

Daniel Gouré, a close associate of a number of George W. Bush administration hardline foreign policy figures and frequent commentator on defense issues, is vice president of the *Lexington*...

[Graham, William](#)

Last Updated: November 07, 2006

William R. Graham, a former science adviser to Ronald Reagan and an executive at a number of high-tech defense contractors, has been a key member of the missile defense lobby during the past two...

[Hadley, Stephen](#)

Last Updated: September 10, 2009

His tendency to play loose with the facts while a top official in Bush's National Security Council has not stymied Hadley's professional career. He now commands lucrative fees through a high-profile speakers bureau and has been appointed to the congressionally funded U.S. Institute for Peace...

[Hagee, John](#)

Last Updated: April 24, 2008

John Hagee is a controversial Christian Right leader who is the pastor of an evangelical "megachurch" in San Antonio, Texas. Hagee is also the founder of Christians United for Israel...

[Hannah, John](#)

Last Updated: December 06, 2006

Since October 2005, John P. Hannah has held the position of assistant for national security affairs to Vice President Dick Cheney. Prior to this appointment, Hannah was part of the vice...

[Hanson, Victor Davis](#)

Last Updated: November 10, 2008

A Hoover Institution fellow, Hanson calls 9/11 "our Peloponnesian War" and worries about the "empathy" expressed by countries like Iran for the new U.S. president-elect

[Hascoe, Norman \(1929-2007\)](#)

Last Updated: December 05, 2007

Before his death on October 24, 2007, Norman Hascoe served as president of the Jewish Institute for National Security Affairs (JINSA), a neoconservative-aligned advocacy outfit that strives to link...

[Hill, Charles](#)

Last Updated: December 01, 2003

Hill is a decorated Foreign Service officer who has worked for or been associated with a number of leading universities and conservative organizations, including the Project for the New American...

[Himmelfarb, Gertrude](#)

Last Updated: November 19, 2003

Gertrude Himmelfarb, the wife of neoconservative godfather Irving Kristol and mother of William Kristol, is a scholar whose work has focused on issues of virtue, morality, Victorian society, and...

[Hoerber, Amoretta](#)

Last Updated: February 27, 2008

. Amoretta Hoeber, an advisor to the Frank Gaffney-run Center for Security Policy, runs a small Maryland-based defense consultancy firm. Hoeber is a former Reagan-era defense official who has been...

[Horner, Charles](#)

Last Updated: July 07, 2004

Charles Horner is a senior fellow at the conservative Hudson Institute, where he specializes in China, international science and technology relations, and international treaties, particularly the...

[Horowitz, David](#)

Last Updated: October 24, 2007

David Horowitz is a vocal member of the far right whose rhetoric often exceeds that of the neoconservatives. He is known for his comments on the so-called culture war and the perceived discrimination...

[Horowitz, Rachelle](#)

Last Updated: November 19, 2003

Rachelle Horowitz, the wife of longtime AFL-CIO principal Thomas Donahue, was a leader of the hawkish wing of the Socialist Party USA that splintered off from the party in 1972 to become Social...

[Iklé, Fred](#)

Last Updated: March 16, 2008

Fred Iklé, a distinguished scholar at the Washington, DC-based Center for Strategic and International Studies (CSIS) and a former defense undersecretary, is an erstwhile Cold Warrior who has...

[Jackson, Bruce](#)

Last Updated: November 18, 2007

Bruce Jackson has founded and supported many advocacy groups, including the U.S. Committee on NATO, the Project on Transitional Democracies (PTD), and the Committee for the Liberation of...

[Jasser, Zuhdi](#)

Last Updated: June 09, 2009

Zuhdi Jasser ,a physician and devout Muslim connected to various neoconservative groups, is the founder of the American Islamic Forum for Democracy, which touts itself as "a leading voice for liberty-minded Muslims in America in the war on terror"...

[Jeremiah, David](#)

Last Updated: May 29, 2007

After a nearly 40-year career in the U.S. Navy, Adm. David E. Jeremiah retired and now serves on a long list of boards of defense-related companies and supports the work of a key right-wing...

[Joseph, Robert](#)

Last Updated: May 08, 2007

Robert Joseph is the former undersecretary of state for arms control and international security, a position he left in early 2007. He is a longtime associate of hawkish outfits like the Center for...

[Joyce, Michael \(1942-2006\)](#)

Last Updated: October 24, 2006

Michael Joyce, who passed away in early 2006, was once described by neoconservative guru Irving Kristol as the "godfather of modern philanthropy." Joyce was a key financial booster of the...

[Kadish, Lawrence](#)

Last Updated: February 07, 2007

The head of First Fiscal Fund, a high-powered real estate investment firm, Lawrence Kadish has been a key financial backer of the Republican Party and supporter of various neoconservative-aligned...

[Kagan, Donald](#)

Last Updated: August 15, 2007

Donald Kagan, the father of neoconservative writers Robert and Frederick Kagan, is a historian and classics scholar at Yale University. Kagan, along with Victor Davis Hanson, serves as a sort of...

[Kagan, Frederick](#)

Last Updated: January 09, 2007

Frederick Kagan, along with father Donald and brother Robert, belongs to the influential neoconservative Kagan family, in the same vein as the Kristol and Podhoretz clans. Like his father and...

[Kagan, Robert](#)

Last Updated: July 02, 2009

The neoconservative foreign policy guru recently cofounded a letterhead group that some see as a transparent attempt to rehabilitate neoconservatism...

[Kaminsky, Phyllis](#)

Last Updated: November 21, 2003

Kaminsky, a longtime Republican insider who has served a number of administrations, is associated with the hawkish Center for Security Policy and Jewish Institute for National Security Affairs.. ...

[Kampelman, Max](#)

Last Updated: March 27, 2008

Max Kampelman is a retired diplomat and Cold War-era arms control negotiator who has supported the work of several neoconservative-led advocacy groups that have been instrumental in pushing...

[Kansteiner, Walter III](#)

Last Updated: November 19, 2003

In an analysis for IRC's Foreign Policy in Focus, Ann-Louise Colgan wrote that Walter Kansteiner's nomination for the State Department's Africa policy post represented one in a line of...

[Kass, Leon](#)

Last Updated: November 19, 2003

[under construction]...

[Kemble, Penn \(1941-2005\)](#)

Last Updated: July 12, 2006

Penn Kemble, an influential organizer of an array of neoconservative-led causes for more than three decades who refused to join his ideological ilk in their move from the Democratic Party to the...

[Kemp, Jack \(1935-2009\)](#)

Last Updated: May 11, 2009

A former congressman and standout NFL quarterback who was associated with the hawkish wing of the Republican Party, Jack Kemp passed away in early May 2009...

[Keyworth, George \(Jay\) II](#)

Last Updated: November 19, 2003

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[Khalilzad, Zalmay](#)

Last Updated: January 18, 2007

In early January 2007, the Bush administration announced that it was nominating Zalmay Khalilzad, at the time the ambassador to Iraq, to succeed John Bolton as the U.S. representative to the United...

[Kirkpatrick, Jeane \(1926-2006\)](#)

Last Updated: December 11, 2006

The first woman to serve as U.S. ambassador to the United Nations and an important intellectual leader of the neoconservative political faction, Jeane J. Kirkpatrick passed away on December 7, 2006....

[Kovner, Bruce](#)

Last Updated: September 19, 2006

In December 2002, the Board of Trustees of the American Enterprise Institute (AEI), an influential Beltway think tank whose plank of neoconservative ideologues filled many high-level administration...

[Krauthammer, Charles](#)

Last Updated: March 27, 2007

Charles Krauthammer, a psychiatrist-turned-award-winning-pundit who writes for the Washington Post op-ed pages, has been an influential supporter and shaper of the neoconservative foreign policy...

[Kristol, Irving \(1920-2009\)](#)

Last Updated: September 28, 2009

The "godfather" of neoconservatism passed away in mid-September.

[Kristol, William](#)

Last Updated: January 28, 2009

William Kristol, the son of neoconservative progenitor Irving Kristol, has been an influential voice in Washington politics pushing for aggressive, militaristic U.S. foreign policies in the Middle...

[Kupperman, Charles M.](#)

Last Updated: May 06, 2008

Charles M. Kupperman, a longtime defense contracting executive, has been associated with a number of influential militarist think tanks and institutions including the Center for Security Policy...

[Kyl, Jon](#)

Last Updated: September 30, 2009

One of the Senate's key foreign policy hawks, Senator Kyl recently advocated using U.S. muscle to force "regime change" in Iran...

[Lagon, Mark](#)

Last Updated: November 21, 2003

Mark Lagon, a member of the State Department's Office of Policy and Planning, was associated with the Project for the New American Century and the American Enterprise Institute (AEI) before...

[Ledeen, Michael](#)

Last Updated: September 16, 2008

Michael A. Ledeen, a veteran neoconservative pundit formerly based at the American Enterprise Institute (AEI), has been a rancorous and sometimes controversial proponent of interventionist U.S....

[Lehman, John](#)

Last Updated: July 21, 2008

The former secretary of the Navy under Ronald Reagan and a member of the 9/11 Commission, John F. Lehman is chairman of the private equity firm J.F. Lehman & Company and an advisor to Sen. John...

[Lehrman, Lewis](#)

Last Updated: November 19, 2003

Lehrman is a former drugstore executive turned conservative economic theorist turned Heritage Foundation big wig. He helped found Citizens for America, which was formed in 1983 by various...

[Lenkowsky, Leslie](#)

Last Updated: June 25, 2009

The former head of AmeriCorps and a long-time philanthropic supporter of neoconservatism, Lenkowsky accuses Obama of pushing policies that will hurt charitable giving...

[Lewis, Bernard](#)

Last Updated: April 02, 2007

Bernard Lewis, the renowned historian of the Middle East who celebrated his 90th birthday in 2006, has provided much of the ideological ammunition for the Bush administration policy of Middle East...

[Libby, I. Lewis "Scooter"](#)

Last Updated: July 08, 2007

I. Lewis "Scooter" Libby, Vice President Dick Cheney's former chief of staff and a long-standing member of the clique of hardliners and neoconservatives who pushed for the Iraq War, was...

[Lieber, Robert J.](#)

Last Updated: November 30, 2008

A professor at Georgetown University and member of the Committee on the Present Danger, Lieber is a leading academic apologist for the Bush Doctrine of preemption.

[Lieberman, Joe](#)

Last Updated: October 28, 2007

Critics often refer to Joe Lieberman, the U.S. senator who represents Connecticut as an "Independent Democrat," as President George W. Bush's "favorite Democrat." Lieberman...

[Livingston, Robert Jr.](#)

Last Updated: November 19, 2003

Robert Livingston, a former congressman from Louisiana, is an adviser to the Center for Security Policy. He is also a founding partner of the corporate law firm the Livingston Group, whose clients...

[Loyola, Mario](#)

Last Updated: May 08, 2007

A former consultant to the Donald Rumsfeld-led Pentagon, Mario Loyola is a visiting fellow at the neoconservative Foundation for the Defense of Democracies (FDD), an advocacy outlet created in the...

[Luti, William](#)

Last Updated: June 09, 2009

A former Bush administration foreign policy operative and veteran of the Pentagon's controversial Office of Special Plans, Luti is now a VP at defense contractor Northrop Grumman...

[Marshall, Will](#)

Last Updated: November 18, 2007

Will Marshall, cofounder of the Democratic Leadership Council (DLC) and head of the Progressive Policy Institute (PPI), has been a leading figure in the effort to push the Democratic Party toward...

[May, Clifford](#)

Last Updated: December 06, 2007

Clifford May, a former correspondent for the New York Times and a vociferous advocate of neoconservative-driven foreign policies, is the president of the Foundation for Defense of Democracies (FDD),...

[McCaffrey, Barry](#)

Last Updated: May 22, 2008

Barry McCaffrey, a retired general and the top anti-drug official during the Bill Clinton administration, is a prominent military commentator for MSNBC and NBC's Nightly News whose initial...

[McCain, John](#)

Last Updated: November 11, 2008

Sen. John McCain (R-AZ), the 2008 Republican presidential candidate, is a leading advocate in the U.S. Senate for aggressive foreign policies, including an interventionist "war on...

[McInerney, Thomas](#)

Last Updated: October 01, 2009

Tightly connected to military contractors and to several militarist advocacy groups, this retired general argues that President Obama is naïve about the threat from “radical Islam” and should increase troops in Afghanistan.

[McKivergan, Daniel](#)

Last Updated: December 30, 2007

Daniel McKivergan, former deputy director of the Project for the New American Century (PNAC), is a policy analyst and writer closely associated with Sen. John McCain (R-AZ), for whom he has served as...

[Meese, Edwin III](#)

Last Updated: November 21, 2003

Edwin Meese, a fellow at the Heritage Foundation and the Hoover Institution, was Ronald Reagan's attorney general and one of his most intimate confidants. As Salon.com puts it, "If Robert...

[Merrill, Philip \(1934-2006\)](#)

Last Updated: October 24, 2006

Philip Merrill, a minor media mogul and former president of the U.S. Export-Import Bank, was found dead in the Chesapeake Bay in late June 2006, apparently the victim of a self-inflicted gunshot...

[Moorman, Thomas Jr.](#)

Last Updated: November 19, 2003

[under construction]...

[Moskowitz, Irving](#)

Last Updated: May 24, 2007

Irving Moskowitz is a Florida-based bingo and gambling magnate who uses proceeds from his businesses to fund right-wing pro-Israel organizations in the United States and radical Israeli settler...

[Muravchik, Joshua](#)

Last Updated: January 26, 2009

Joshua Muravchik is an erstwhile Socialist Party activist whose writings on democracy and anticommunism have been key harbingers of neoconservatism for decades. A former resident scholar at the...

[Murawiec, Laurent](#)

Last Updated: February 14, 2008

Laurent Murawiec is a senior fellow at the rightist Hudson Institute, a member of the Committee on

the Present Danger, a former analyst for the Rand Corporation, and the ex-editor of the Executive...

[Murdoch, Rupert](#)

Last Updated: March 20, 2007

Rupert Murdoch, head of the world's largest media empire, has used his influential position to push an ideological agenda closely associated with U.S. neoconservatives. During the lead up to the...

[Musgrave, Marilyn](#)

Last Updated: March 30, 2004

Marilyn Musgrave represents Colorado's 4th Congressional district, and was first elected to the Congress in 2002. The district is a largely GOP district that has been represented by a Republican...

[Nagl, John](#)

Last Updated: September 10, 2009

One of the foremost U.S. experts on counterinsurgency, Nagl is president of the Center for a New American Security, an influential inside-the-beltway think tank with close ties to the Obama administration and neoconservatives...

[Negroponete, John](#)

Last Updated: May 11, 2009

A controversial Reagan-era official who was involved in implementing counter-insurgency policies in Central America, Negroponete served as the first national intelligence director during the George W. Bush administration. Yale announced in January that Negroponete would teach grand strategy at the university...

[Neuhaus, Richard John](#)

Last Updated: January 19, 2009

"Father Richard," as he was called by President George W. Bush and others, was a Catholic priest and the president of the neoconservative-aligned Institute on Religion and Public Life...

[Noriega, Roger](#)

Last Updated: August 21, 2007

Roger Noriega, the former assistant secretary of State for Western Hemisphere Affairs and longtime proponent of hardline U.S. policies in Latin America, is a visiting fellow at the American...

[Norton, Gale](#)

Last Updated: November 19, 2003

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[Novak, Michael](#)

Last Updated: February 22, 2007

In a February 20, 2007 article for the right-wing National Review Online, Michael Novak, a prominent writer at the neoconservative American Enterprise Institute (AEI) and longtime player in the...

[O'Hanlon, Michael](#)

Last Updated: May 20, 2007

A prolific writer and frequently cited expert on U.S. defense and security issues, Michael O'Hanlon is a senior fellow at the centrist Brookings Institution, where he specializes in defense...

[Ottolenghi, Emanuele](#)

Last Updated: November 18, 2007

Emanuele Ottolenghi is the executive director of the Brussels-based Transatlantic Institute, an organization founded by the American Jewish Committee (the erstwhile publisher of Commentary magazine,...

[Payne, Keith](#)

Last Updated: November 19, 2003

Keith Payne, a longtime advocate of Strangelovian nuclear war-fighting strategies and missile defense, founded his National Institute for Public Policy in the early 1980s. In 2002, Payne was tapped...

[Pearce, Stevan "Steve"](#)

Last Updated: March 11, 2004

Congressman Steve Pearce (R-NM) is serving his first term in Congress. Shortly after being elected, Pearce joined a short list of other freshman members to be tapped as an assistant majority whip. He...

[Perle, Richard](#)

Last Updated: February 01, 2007

Richard Perle is widely considered a core representative of the neoconservative political faction; he played a central role in championing the war in Iraq and an aggressive war on terror centered on...

[Pipes, Daniel](#)

Last Updated: June 12, 2007

Daniel Pipes, a recognized expert in Islam and son of the well known anti-Soviet crusader Richard Pipes, is an outspoken promoter of the "Islamofascism threat" theory and is closely aligned...

[Pipes, Richard](#)

Last Updated: September 04, 2007

Richard Pipes, a historian of Russia and Communism at Harvard University, was a key anti-Soviet

crusader in the 1970s and 1980s. He served as a consultant to Washington State Democratic Sen. Henry...

[Pletka, Danielle](#)

Last Updated: January 18, 2007

Danielle Pletka established herself as a foreign policy hawk while working as a reporter for Insight Magazine during the George H.W. Bush administration, and later as a member of the professional...

[Podhoretz, John](#)

Last Updated: October 29, 2007

John Podhoretz, the son of Norman Podhoretz and Midge Decter, is a second-generation neoconservative. Like his father and mother, "JPod," as he is sometimes called, has been a vociferous...

[Podhoretz, Norman](#)

Last Updated: February 27, 2008

Norman Podhoretz has been a leading writer and ideologue of the neoconservative political faction since the group began to emerge in the late 1960s. Along with Irving Kristol, Podhoretz is widely...

[Prager, Dennis](#)

Last Updated: June 20, 2007

Dennis Prager is a conservative radio talk show host, a syndicated columnist with the Creators Syndicate, and a contributor to the Wall Street Journal editorial page and the Weekly Standard, among...

[Prince, Erik](#)

Last Updated: March 17, 2009

Erik Prince is the founder and CEO of Blackwater Worldwide, a controversial private security firm whose activities in Iraq and elsewhere have led some observers to term it a modern-day...

[Quayle, J. Danforth "Dan"](#)

Last Updated: November 19, 2003

[under construction]....

[Reich, Otto](#)

Last Updated: June 17, 2009

The controversial Iran-Contra veteran who served as an assistant secretary of state under George W. Bush remains a divisive figure in U.S.-Latin American relations...

[Rice, Condoleezza](#)

Last Updated: May 11, 2009

The former secretary of state has returned to Stanford, where she was provost before joining the Bush administration, to teach political science and work as a fellow at the hawkish Hoover Institution...

[Roche, James](#)

Last Updated: October 13, 2008

James G. Roche, a 23-year Navy veteran who served as secretary of the Air Force from 2001 to 2005, is a defense industry executive and supporter of the hardline advocacy group Center for Security...

[Rodman, Peter](#)

Last Updated: August 24, 2008

Peter Rodman, who passed away August 2, 2008, was an assistant secretary of defense for international security under Donald Rumsfeld in the George W. Bush administration; he joined the Brookings...

[Rosen, Steven J.](#)

Last Updated: May 14, 2009

In early May, the U.S. government dropped its espionage charges against Rosen, a high-profile advocate for pushing hardline U.S. policies in support of Israel who had been accused of passing sensitive U.S. information while working for the powerful "Israel lobby" group, AIPAC...

[Ross, Dennis](#)

Last Updated: July 22, 2009

It remains unclear whether Dennis Ross's new post in the National Security Council will increase or diminish his impact on Mideast policymaking...

[Rove, Karl](#)

Last Updated: August 15, 2007

Karl Rove, the often controversial longtime adviser to President George W. Bush, served as the

White House's deputy chief of staff and senior adviser until August 2007. Widely regarded as the key...

[Rowen, Henry](#)

Last Updated: November 19, 2003

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[Rubin, Michael](#)

Last Updated: October 04, 2007

Michael Rubin, a resident scholar at the American Enterprise Institute and an adviser on Iran and Iraq in the Donald Rumsfeld Pentagon, is an outspoken and sometimes controversial proponent of U.S....

[Rumsfeld, Donald](#)

Last Updated: September 19, 2007

Donald Rumsfeld, the former secretary of defense who resigned in 2006 after several controversial years overseeing two wars in the wake of the 9/11 terrorist attacks, is a visiting fellow at the...

[Santorum, Rick](#)

Last Updated: February 21, 2007

After serving two terms in the House of Representatives and then another two terms in the Senate, Pennsylvania Republican Rick Santorum suffered a massive defeat in the November 2006 midterms to...

[Scaife, Richard Mellon](#)

Last Updated: February 26, 2009

Richard Mellon Scaife, owner of the Pittsburgh Tribune-Review and chairman of the Scaife Foundations, has been a key financier of the American Right for decades. In 2006, Scaife's three major...

[Scheunemann, Randy](#)

Last Updated: July 08, 2008

A well-connected lobbyist and political insider who serves as an advisor to Sen. John McCain's (R-AZ) presidential campaign, Randy Scheunemann is the founder and president of the public...

[Schlesinger, James](#)

Last Updated: December 11, 2003

[under construction]....

[Schmitt, Gary](#)

Last Updated: January 18, 2007

A resident scholar at the American Enterprise Institute (AEI) and author of numerous texts on intelligence reform and national security, Gary Schmitt helped found and direct the Project for the New...

[Schneider, Bill](#)

Last Updated: September 19, 2007

Bill Schneider is a well-known media personality based at CNN; he has been described as "one of the country's leading political commentators" (by his employer, CNN), "the...

[Schneider, William Jr.](#)

Last Updated: March 07, 2007

William Schneider Jr., a longtime proponent of controversial weapons programs and hardline advocacy groups like the Center for Security Policy (CSP), has worked as a defense adviser to the George W....

[Sembler, Melvin](#)

Last Updated: February 06, 2008

Melvin Sembler is a high-powered Republican Party donor and a real estate magnate who earned his fortune as chairman of the Sembler Company, a Florida real estate and strip-mall development business....

[Senor, Dan](#)

Last Updated: July 30, 2009

The former spokesman for the coalition authority in Iraq, Senor is the cofounder of the neoconservative-led Foreign Policy Initiative, where he alternatively applauds the Obama administration's hard line in Afghanistan and bemoans its "weakness" on Iran.

[Shea, Nina](#)

Last Updated: March 07, 2007

Nina Shea, a longtime supporter of interventionist U.S. policies dating back to the Contra wars in Nicaragua, is vice chair of the U.S. Commission on International Religious Freedom (CIRF). CIRF is a...

[Shulsky, Abram](#)

Last Updated: August 28, 2007

Abram Shulsky, an intelligence expert closely associated with a number of leading neoconservative

figures, served as head of the controversial Office of Special Plans (OSP) during the lead-up to the...

[Silberman, Laurence](#)

Last Updated: April 18, 2007

Laurence Silberman is a senior U.S. circuit court judge in the District of Columbia, regarded as one of the most important courts in the country, second only to the Supreme Court. He is also a...

[Sokolski, Henry](#)

Last Updated: October 09, 2009

This longtime foreign policy hardliner is one of a chorus of rightist voices criticizing the recent agreement between Iran and the U.N. Security Council's five permanent members (plus Germany) regarding its nuclear program...

[Steinmann, David](#)

Last Updated: December 06, 2007

As chief of staff and managing executive of the William Rosenwald Family Fund, a prominent philanthropic family fund in New York, David Steinmann coordinates the giving of millions of dollars to...

[Stelzer, Irwin](#)

Last Updated: October 18, 2006

Perhaps better known in Britain-where one broadsheet calls him "Rupert Murdoch's representative on Earth"-than in the United States, Irwin Stelzer is an economist at the Washington-based...

[Stephens, Bret](#)

Last Updated: May 07, 2008

Bret Stephens is a columnist for the Wall Street Journal and a former editor of the neoconservative flagship magazine Commentary. A rising media figure who promotes aggressive U.S. policies in the...

[Tancredo, Tom](#)

Last Updated: February 06, 2008

Rep. Tom Tancredo (R-CO) is a conservative Republican who founded the House Immigration Reform Caucus, which has been able to block liberal, moderate, and business-oriented federal reform efforts....

[Tanter, Raymond](#)

Last Updated: May 18, 2006

Raymond Tanter is founder and co-chair of the Iran Policy Committee (IPC), which was established in January 2005. IPC is comprised of "former officials from the White House, State Department,...

[Tanton, John](#)

Last Updated: September 28, 2004

. John Tanton is widely recognized as the leading figure in the anti-immigration and "official English" movements in the United States. Initially, Tanton's public policy advocacy work...

[Teets, Peter](#)

Last Updated: November 19, 2003

As undersecretary for the Air Force, Peter Teets is responsible for acquisition of space capability hardware. A long-standing proponent of weaponizing space, Teets has also been at the top of several...

[Thompson, Fred](#)

Last Updated: February 14, 2008

Fred Thompson is a well-known actor who served as a Republican senator from Tennessee and ran briefly for the 2008 Republican Party presidential nomination. He was previously a visiting fellow at the...

[Thompson, Tommy](#)

Last Updated: November 19, 2003

Tommy Thompson, the former governor of Wisconsin and current Secretary for Health and Human Services, is a member of the extreme right-wing group Council for National Policy. Other current and past...

[Timmerman, Kenneth](#)

Last Updated: December 11, 2007

Kenneth Timmerman is a conservative writer and policy advocate who directs the Foundation for Democracy in Iran (FDI), which he founded in 1995 with Joshua Muravchik and Peter Rodman to push hawkish...

[Tkacik, John Jr.](#)

Last Updated: December 11, 2003

John Tkacik is a Heritage Foundation China scholar and a signatory to the Project for the New American Century's 2002 letter to President Bush on Hong Kong, which warned of increasing...

[Vallely, Paul](#)

Last Updated: May 12, 2008

Retired Maj. Gen. Paul E. Vallely is a former military analyst for Fox News and is the host of the conservative radio show, "Stand Up America."¹ Vallely, who serves on the boards of a...

[Waldron, Arthur](#)

Last Updated: August 21, 2006

Arthur Waldron is an academic, a historian, a China scholar, and a China hawk. He and many of his ideas have been associated with the so-called Blue Team, an informal group that presses for China...

[Wallop, Malcolm](#)

Last Updated: December 11, 2003

From his Rumsfeld Space Commission resume: "Senator Wallop is currently a Senior Fellow with the Heritage Foundation and chairs Frontiers of Freedom, a non-profit public policy organization he...

[Walters, John](#)

Last Updated: November 19, 2003

Before taking over as head of White House's Office of National Drug Control Policy, John Walters spearheaded a number of key right-wing organizing efforts. He was the president of the New Citizen...

[Wattenberg, Ben](#)

Last Updated: August 01, 2007

Ben Wattenberg, a scholar at the American Enterprise Institute (AEI) and moderator of PBS's Think Tank, was a member of a core group of Democratic Party hawks who, in the 1970s, shifted to the...

[Weber, John Vincent \(Vin\)](#)

Last Updated: June 06, 2005

Vin Weber, a partner at the influential Washington consulting firm Clark & Weinstock, is a former Minnesota Republican Congressman, banker, and head of the National Endowment for Democracy. A...

[Wedgwood, Ruth](#)

Last Updated: July 25, 2007

Ruth Wedgwood is an international law expert specializing in human rights who is based at the Johns Hopkins School of Advanced International Studies (SAIS). She is a former member of ex-Pentagon...

[Wehner, Peter](#)

Last Updated: March 24, 2009

Peter Wehner, a former advisor to President George W. Bush known for his strident defense of his former boss's policies, has continued to be a vocal proponent of rightist domestic and foreign...

[Weigel, George](#)

Last Updated: February 27, 2008

Called by some critics a "Catholic neocon" or a "theocon," George Weigel is a Catholic theologian based at the conservative Ethics and Public Policy Center (EPPC) and a...

[Weldon, Curt](#)

Last Updated: November 29, 2006

Rep. Curt Weldon, a Pennsylvania Republican who was a key House proponent of the Bush

administration's war on terror and a vociferous advocate of missile defense, served 10 terms in Congress...

[Weyrich, Paul](#)

Last Updated: January 12, 2009

Paul Weyrich, a key strategist of the New Right, passed away on December 18, 2008. He was 66 years old. Sometimes referred to as a "pillar of the modern conservative movement,"...

[White, Thomas](#)

Last Updated: November 21, 2003

After series of high-profile clashes with Donald Rumsfeld and Paul Wolfowitz over Iraq planning and army modernization issues, White resigned from his post as army secretary in early 2003. During his...

[Wieseltier, Leon](#)

Last Updated: December 27, 2007

The literary editor of the New Republic since 1983, Leon Wieseltier is a liberal promoter of hawkish, Israel-centric policies in the Middle East. He supported the advocacy work of several key...

[Williams, Christopher](#)

Last Updated: August 29, 2007

Described as Donald Rumsfeld's "right-hand man" in the early years of the George W. Bush administration by the Weekly Standard's William Kristol and Robert Kagan (Weekly Standard,...

[Wilson, Heather](#)

Last Updated: February 29, 2004

Heather Wilson has represented the 1st Congressional District of New Mexico since June 23, 1998. . Wilson is the first woman veteran in U.S. history to serve in Congress. A graduate of the U.S. Air...

[Wilson, Pete](#)

Last Updated: April 14, 2008

Pete Wilson, the former governor of California and a visiting fellow at the Hoover Institution, has been an important Republican Party figure for more than three decades, having also served as a U.S....

[Wittmann, Marshall](#)

Last Updated: November 18, 2007

Marshall Wittmann is a Washington insider who has worked for two of the Senate's more hawkish figures: Sen. Joe Lieberman (I-CT), for whom Wittmann currently serves as communications director,...

[Wolfowitz, Paul](#)

Last Updated: July 10, 2009

The former Pentagon number two and ex head of the World Bank added his voice to the chorus of hardliners denouncing President Obama's "weakness" in confronting the election crisis in Iran...

[Woolsey, James](#)

Last Updated: September 11, 2008

R. James Woolsey, the director of the Central Intelligence Agency (CIA) under President Bill Clinton from 1993 to 1995, was a vocal proponent of the neoconservative-inspired notion that the...

[Wurmser, David](#)

Last Updated: August 08, 2007

David Wurmser, a scholar with strong ties to a number of neoconservative policy institutes, served as Mideast adviser to Vice President Dick Cheney from 2003 to mid-2007. Previously, Wurmser had...

[Wurmser, Meyrav](#)

Last Updated: May 06, 2007

Meyrav Wurmser, the director of the Center for Middle East Policy at the neoconservative-aligned Hudson Institute in Washington, DC, and a contributing expert at the Israel-based Ariel Center, is a...

[Yoo, John](#)

Last Updated: March 17, 2009

John Yoo, a visiting scholar at the neoconservative American Enterprise Institute (AEI) and the former deputy assistant attorney general under John Ashcroft, is notorious for his controversial legal...

[Zakheim, Dov](#)

Last Updated: November 28, 2007

A vice president with the global consulting firm Booz Allen Hamilton, Dov Zakheim has spent more than two decades working in the defense industry, in both governmental and private capacities. A...

[Zinsmeister, Karl](#)

Last Updated: July 27, 2009

Karl Zinsmeister, a former fellow at the American Enterprise Institute (AEI) and correspondent for the right-wing magazine National Review, was named head of President George W. Bush's Domestic...

[Zoellick, Robert](#)

Last Updated: July 08, 2007

On July 2, 2007, Robert Zoellick, a former U.S. trade representative and experienced diplomat, took over as head of the World Bank (World Bank, July 3, 2007). Zoellick was nominated for the post by...