Jay Carney Named New White House Press Secretary - View Candidates' Audition Tapes.

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According to the New York Times, Jay Carney, the spokesman for Vice President Joseph Biden, will replace Robert Gibbs as the White House Press Secretary. Carney, a former Time magazine reporter, was today designated for the post by William Daley, President Obama's new White House Chief of Staff. A formal announcement is expected tomorrow.

CNN Senior White House Correspondent Ed Henry got the scoop, and reported that even though Carney was "the clear front-runner for the job," Chief of Staff Daley, upon ascending to his post,

> reopened the process to more candidates to make sure they were making the right move, and that second round of considerations has come to a close with Carney at the top of the list, [a White House] source said.

This blog is fortunate enough to have a well-placed source deep within the bowels of the White House Office on Plumbing Affairs. We were therefore able to secure for our readership a copy of each PressSec candidate's video audition tape, featured below.

For those with long memories, some of the candidates may be familiar. For example, one served back in the George W. Bush cabinet, and was well-known for giving the kind of *virtuoso* press conference that left the press corps stunned with mouths agape. In the first video below, this gentleman submitted a scene from a briefing where he clarified certain White House approaches to analyzing CIA intel reports.

Another surprise candidate, Phil Davison, a 2010 GOP candidate for Ohio's Starke County Treasurer, holds a Master's Degree in Communications. His stump speech below demonstrates the oratorical skills he might have brought to the PressSec's job. As you will see, it's obvious that the other candidates also brought superior skills to the table.

Clearly, Daley's recommendation of Mr. Carney to President Obama must have been a difficult one. As you will learn below, the PressSec competition was both highly professional, as befits the importance of the position, and highly spirited, as befits the new spirit of competition urged upon

us by the President in his State of the Union address.

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