Pete Rouse Sentenced to Serve as White House Chief-of-Staff

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"I am more interested in what people stand for and what my philosophical compatibility is. I have found only one Republican. All the rest of them have been Democrats."

“Everybody smiles when you talk about Pete, because he is tough on the outside and soft on the inside and everybody knows that,” Daschle told Roll Call in 2004. “I think his secret of success, his magic, is that he has an amazing capacity to bring disparate people together and create a unity in a level of cooperation and chemistry that is remarkable.”

Pete’s strategic sense has played a big part of the direction of virtually every big decision that’s made inside of this White House,” Gibbs said. “So I think the type of trust that the president and others throughout this administration have in Pete is enormous.”

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