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## 2008 PRESIDENTIAL CAMPAIGN FORECAST AT THE NATIONAL CONSTITUTION CENTER

Philadelphia, PA (October 26, 2006) – With the 2006 mid-year election on November 7 marking the unofficial start of the 2008 presidential campaign, the National Constitution Center is hosting a program on the 2008 race with an all-star cast of American political heavyweights on Thursday, November 16, 2006 at 6:30 p.m. in a *Citizens' Constitutional Conversation*. Join master Democratic pollster **Stan Greenberg** and expert Republican strategist **Ed Rollins**, moderated by journalist **Margaret Carlson**, in *The Race is On: 2008 Presidential Campaign Forecast*. Tickets cost \$15 for non-members, \$12 for members, and \$6 for students K-12 and teachers. Reservations are required and can be made by calling 215.409.6700.

Stan Greenberg was one of the key strategists behind the campaigns of President Bill Clinton, and was an insider in Al Gore's presidential campaign in 2004. He has been an international force as an advisor to Tony Blair, Nelson Mandela, Ehud Barak, and Gerhard Schröder. Greenberg also serves as Chairman and CEO of Greenberg Quinlan Rosner, which reads the public's pulse for National Public Radio along with the Republican polling firm Public Opinion Strategies. In 2004, Greenberg wrote *The Two Americas: Our Current Political Deadlock and How to Break it*, which Democratic consultant James Carville called the "most important book on American politics in my memory."

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Ed Rollins is the chairman of the Rollins Strategy Group. He served under several American presidents, including Richard Nixon, Gerald Ford, and Ronald Reagan. Rollins has also been on the campaign trail of various presidential candidates, including President Reagan, Jack Kemp, Ross Perot, and Democrat Robert F. Kennedy. He also has experience in countless congressional campaigns. In addition to his extensive work in domestic politics, Rollins has served as a political advisor for a range of companies such as AT&T, UPS, and American Express. Rollins' 1996 memoir, *Bare Knuckles and Back Rooms*, was a *New York Times* best-seller.

Moderating this event will be nationally respected journalist Margaret Carlson, who was the first female columnist for *Time* magazine. She served as deputy Washington bureau chief for *Time* before moving to Bloomberg News as a columnist. Carlson covered four Presidential elections for *Time* and is a frequent guest on Washington-based political talk shows. She is also a member of the National Constitution Center's Board of Trustees.

*Citizens' Constitutional Conversations* are underwritten by the Citizens Bank Foundation.

The National Constitution Center, located at 525 Arch St. on Philadelphia's Independence Mall, is an independent, nonpartisan, nonprofit organization dedicated to increasing public understanding of the U.S. Constitution and the ideas and values it represents. Opened on July 4, 2003, the Constitution Center is a museum, an education center, and a forum for debate on constitutional issues. The museum dramatically tells the story of the Constitution from Revolutionary times to the present through more than 100 interactive, multimedia exhibits, film, photographs, text, sculpture and artifacts, and features a powerful, award-winning theatrical performance, "Freedom Rising". The Center also houses the Annenberg Center for Education and Outreach, which serves as the hub for national constitutional education and debates. Also, serving as a nonpartisan forum for constitutional discourse, the Center presents – without endorsement – programs that contain diverse viewpoints on a broad range of issues. The National Constitution Center's programs earned the organization a 2006 Best of Philly® award from *Philadelphia* magazine as the "Best Place To Smarten Up". For more information, call 215.409.6700 or visit [www.constitutioncenter.org](http://www.constitutioncenter.org).

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