

Picking the Vice Presidential Nominees: What Should We Look For?

Monday, March 24, 2008
8:30am - Noon
Hubert H. Humphrey Center
301 19th Ave S., Minneapolis

8:30am - 8:35am: **Welcome**
Larry Jacobs, *Director, Center for the Study of Politics and Governance*

8:35am - 9:00am: **Who has been chosen as Vice President?**

The Politics in Selecting Modern Vice Presidential Running Mates
Douglas Kriner, *Assistant Professor, Boston University*

Moderator:

George Edwards III, *Distinguished Professor of Political Science, Texas A&M University and Editor of Presidential Studies Quarterly*

9:00am - 9:30am: **Important Qualities in a Vice Presidential Running Mate**
Tommy Thompson, *former Governor and U. S. Secretary of Health and Human Services*
(via teleconference)

Moderator:

Larry Jacobs, *Director, Center for the Study of Politics and Governance*

9:30am - 9:45am: Break

9:45am - 11:00am: **Why is the Vice Presidential Nominee Important?**

Original Intent: A New But Restrained Modern Vice Presidency
Richard Moe, *Director, National Trust for Historic Preservation*

The Rising Power of the Modern Vice Presidency
Joel Goldstein, *Vincent C. Immel Professor of Law, St. Louis University*

Discussants:

Steven Schier, *Dorothy H. and Edward C. Congdon Professor of Political Science, Carleton College*

Kathryn Pearson, *Assistant Professor, University of Minnesota*

11:00am - 12:00pm: **What Should We Look for in the Next Vice President?**
Vice President Walter F. Mondale

Moderator:

Larry Jacobs, *Director, Center for the Study of Politics and Governance*

12:00pm: **Closing**
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