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AUDIENCE Q&A



MAX STIER
President and CEO
Partnership for Public Service

Max is the founding president and CEO of the Partnership for Public Service. Under his leadership, the Partnership has been widely praised as a first-class nonprofit organization and thought leader on federal government management issues.

Max has worked in all three branches of the federal government. Prior to the Partnership, he served as Deputy General Counsel for Litigation at the Department of Housing and Urban Development. He previously served on the personal staff of Congressman Jim Leach, clerked for Chief Judge James Oakes of the United States Court of Appeals for the Second Circuit, and clerked for Supreme Court Justice David Souter.

A graduate of Yale University and Stanford Law School, Max is a member of the National Academy of Public Administration, the Administrative Conference of the United States and the National Advisory Board for Public Service at Harvard College.



THOMAS W. ROSS
President
Volcker Alliance

Prior to joining the Volcker Alliance in July 2016, Tom was president of the seventeen-campus University of North Carolina for over five years. He remains the University's president emeritus and also serves as the first Terry Sanford Distinguished Fellow at Duke University's Sanford School of Public Policy where he is leading a bipartisan project aimed at improving how political district lines are drawn in the U.S.

Tom graduated with honors from the University of North Carolina-Chapel Hill School of Law and served as a judge in the North Carolina Superior Court for seventeen years. He continued his public service as the Director of the North Carolina Administrative Office of the Courts before serving as the chief executive for the Z. Smith Reynolds Foundation, Inc. From 2007 to 2010, he served as the president of Davidson College, his alma mater.



Moderator
LIBBY CASEY
On-Air Reporter and Anchor, Politics and Accountability
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Libby anchors live broadcasts and creates videos that air on The Post's website, YouTube, Amazon Prime, Facebook, and Twitch. Her series "How to be a journalist" tackles questions about how reporters do their jobs. Prior to The Washington Post, Libby was a national TV correspondent for the network Al Jazeera America, and a host and producer of C-SPAN's daily call-in show "Washington Journal." She started her career in Alaska in public radio, and came to the nation's capital as Alaska Public Radio Network's Washington correspondent.

Libby's coverage as a TV and radio journalist has included the 2016 presidential race, climate change in Alaska and the hidden opioid crisis among elderly Americans. While in Alaska, she was a go-to expert on dog mushing and reporting at 20 degrees below zero. She also spent years working on a remote Alaskan potato farm and a summer as a caricature artist. She's a graduate of Sarah Lawrence College and was on the journalism faculty at the University of Alaska Fairbanks.



JEFF T.H. PON
Director
Office of Personnel Management

Jeff became the 11th director of OPM in March 2018. He has more than 25 years of experience leading organizations and transforming talent management in the public and private sectors. He previously served as the Society for Human Resource Management's chief human resource and strategy officer; was the president and COO of Futures Inc., a talent management software company that helps returning military, veterans and their families; and served as a strategic human capital management consultant at Booz Allen Hamilton.

In 2006, Jeff was appointed chief human capital officer for the Department of Energy. From 2003 to 2005, he served as the director and deputy director of eGovernment at OPM. He led the implementation of ePayroll, USAJobs, eTraining, Enterprise Human Resource Integration, eClearance and the HR Line of Business.

Jeff is a native of San Francisco and a graduate of the University of Southern California where he received his Bachelors of Arts in Psychology. He earned his Ph.D. in Industrial Organizational Psychology and Master of Science from the California School of Professional Psychology.



MARGARET WEICHERT Deputy Director for Management Office of Management and Budget

Margaret was confirmed by the U.S. Senate in February 2018. Her 25-year professional career includes executive leadership positions at Ernst & Young, LLP, Market Platform Dynamics, First Data Corporation, Bank of America and Andersen Consulting.

As an innovator and entrepreneur, Margaret has focused on strategy, innovation and business process improvement in banking and payments technology. She has been named as an inventor on 14 successful U.S. patents. Since 2010, she has served on the Technology Association of Georgia's Fintech Steering Committee.

Margaret holds a B.S. of Foreign Service (Magna Cum Laude) from Georgetown University, a post-graduate diploma in Economics with distinction from the University of Sussex (UK) and a Masters of Business Administration from the University of California at Berkeley.



MAJ. GEN. CHARLES FRANK BOLDEN, JR., (USMC-RET.) Former Administrator NASA

Charlie was the 12th administrator of NASA, from July 2009 to January 2017, where he oversaw the safe transition from 30 years of space shuttle missions to a new era of space exploration and aeronautics technology development. He also supported NASA's contributions toward developing cleaner, faster and quieter airplanes. Prior to serving as NASA administrator, Charlie was CEO of Jack and Panther LLC, a small business enterprise providing leadership, military and aerospace consulting.

Charlie's 34-year career with the Marine Corps included 14 years as a member of NASA's Astronaut Office. He traveled to orbit four times aboard the space shuttle between 1986 and 1994, commanding two of the missions and piloting two others. His flights included deployment of the Hubble Space Telescope and the first joint U.S.-Russia shuttle mission, which featured a cosmonaut as a member of his crew.

At the U.S. Naval Academy, Charlie earned a Bachelor of Science in electrical science and was commissioned as a second lieutenant in the Marine Corps. He also earned a Master of Science in systems management from the University of Southern California.



RUSSELL C. DEYOFormer Under Secretary for Management
Department of Homeland Security

As under secretary for management at DHS, from May 2015 to January 2017, Russ oversaw all aspects of the Department's management programs, including human resources, funding and other administrative lines of business. He also served as acting deputy secretary beginning on November 1, 2016.

Russ has more than 30 years of management experience in government and the private sector. He retired from Johnson & Johnson in 2012 after 27 years of service, where he held a number of positions, including vice president of administration and general counsel. He also served as a member of the Johnson & Johnson Executive Committee, the company's principal management group for global operations. His diverse experience includes overseeing human resources, procurement, contributions, philanthropy, legal affairs and compliance.

Prior to Johnson & Johnson, Russ was an assistant U.S. attorney for the District of New Jersey and an attorney at Patterson, Belknap, Webb & Tyler in New York City. He is a cum laude graduate of Dartmouth College and holds a J.D. from Georgetown University Law Center, where he was executive editor of the Law Center's International Law Journal.



ADAM SCHLIDGE Division Chief, Urban Transit Programs Federal Transit Administration, Department of Transportation

Adam supports local communities across the country that are pursuing technologically advanced, cost-efficient and equitable transportation solutions. His team manages FTA's block grants and competitive grants programs, including the delivery of Emergency Relief for transit systems in Texas, Florida, Puerto Rico and the Virgin Islands after the recent hurricanes. Adam won a 2015 Service to America Medal, presented by the Partnership for Public Service, for developing and implementing a multi-billion dollar grant program following Hurricane Sandy to make public transportation systems more resilient against future natural disasters.

Adam joined federal service through the Presidential Management Fellows Program in 2010 after earning a master's degree in urban planning at Hunter College in New York. He grew up outside the federal government's orbit in central New Jersey, studied political science and German at Middlebury College, and began a career in the financial capital markets before embarking on a career change into public service.

When not riding Metro to work, Adam often commutes by bicycle and is teaching his two (soon three) kids the joy of exploring their neighborhood on two wheels.



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