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I realize that you will be restrained in what you can talk about in terms of the legal aspects of the Executive Order, Brett. But I thought there is an area that would be of interest to us that you could discuss as it is not at issue in the lawsuit. In a sense, there are three aspects of access to records: creation of the records, their maintenance, and then their disclosure. While the EO deals with disclosure, we are also interested in the creation of records and what is being done to make certain they are retained for their future placement in a Bush presidential library.

Creation of records. There are instances many of us can cite of staff members who say they never took notes at meetings and kept as few records as possible. That has been true of many senior staff members I have interviewed from at least two of the last three administrations.

Maintenance of records. There are instances where records were kept but somehow the staff member walked out with the originals of the documents. What measures do you have in place to make certain people will leave behind their original documents and not be allowed to walk out with the originals when they leave their White House post.

The administration has been well organized right from the start and I imagine a solid records policy was developed for both the creation and maintenance of presidential records. A discussion of those policies will provide you with an opportunity to discuss what I suspect are very good records procedures that the academic and archival communities will be glad to hear about.

You can reach me today at 639-8734 and tomorrow on my cell phone at 285-3537.

Warm Wishes,

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