PHILLIP D. BRADY TIMELINE
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1973  Brady receives a B.A. cum laude from the University of Notre Dame.

1976  After graduating from the Loyola University Law School, Brady remains in Los Angeles as an associate attorney with the firm of Spray, Gould & Bowers.

1978  Brady is named Deputy Attorney General for the State of California.

1979  Brady moves to Washington, D.C. to serve as legislative counsel for U.S. Representative Daniel E. Lungren (R-CA).

1981  Brady moves back to California to work as a regional director of ACTION agency in San Francisco.

1982  Returning to Washington, D.C., Brady joins the Reagan Administration as Director of Congressional Affairs for the Immigration and Naturalization Service at the Justice Department.

1983  Brady is named Associate Deputy Attorney General in the Justice Department.

1984  Brady serves as Acting Assistant Attorney General.

1985  Brady is selected as Deputy Assistant to Vice President Bush.

1988  Brady is Deputy Counsel to the President during the Reagan Administration.

1989  Brady is named General Counsel for the Department of Transportation.

1991  Brady serves as Assistant to the President and Staff Secretary until the end of the Bush Administration.
Joining the Administration

- How did you come to know and work for George H. W. Bush?
- Describe your tenure with Vice President Bush during the Reagan Administration.
- Discuss your role and responsibilities in the 1988 campaign and transition.

U.S. Department of Transportation

- Discuss your selection as General Counsel in the Department of Transportation?
- How would you characterize your relationship with Skinner?
- Did you have much interaction with White House staff?

Staff Secretary

- How did you come to serve as Assistant to the President and Staff Secretary?
- Discuss your role and responsibilities as Staff Secretary.
- Did you play a role in policy formulation or speechwriting?
- With whom in the White House did you work most closely?
- Describe your interactions and experiences with White House offices and cabinet agencies.
- Reflect upon the Sununu departure and its aftermath.
- Discuss changes in White House operations and organization under Skinner.
- What was the effect of Skinner’s departure on the White House?

1992 Campaign

- Discuss your role and responsibilities during the 1992 campaign.
- Describe the interaction between the White House staff and the campaign staff.

The Bush Presidency in Retrospect

- What were the strengths and weaknesses of the Bush presidency? What features of the Bush presidency were overlooked or misunderstood by the press?
- How effective was Bush as a public leader, a legislative leader, a foreign policy leader, and a party leader?
- How should the Bush presidency be viewed in history?
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