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Bradley Prize Nomination for Lewis Libby
By Hillel Fradkin

Lewis (Scooter) Libby would be an exceptionally deserving recipient of a Bradley Prize, both for his devotion to the principles which guide the work of the Bradley Foundation and for his exceptional service to those principles and the United States in his long and distinguished career. In particular, Libby belongs to handful of great American strategists since WWII who have undertaken to keep America strong and safe in the face of a multitude of threats during that era.

His exceptional work as a strategist is partly represented by his long and distinguished service at the US Department of State, US Department of Defense and at the White House as the chief advisor to Vice-President Cheney. Unfortunately, that service was brought to an end by a terrible miscarriage of justice. But despite the grievous harm done to him, Libby has continued dutifully and courageously to devote his great talents to the grave issue of American strategy. As was recently (2015) emphasized in testimony before the US Senate by distinguished former civilian and military leaders, America has experienced particular challenges in both the formation and execution of sound strategies. Both in office and out Libby has made major contributions to addressing those challenges, and continues to do so in work I will shortly describe.

Due to the character of Libby's career his great distinction in this area is not as widely appreciated as it might and should be. As a public official, the audience for his sound counsel was principally the senior officials he served and is best known to them as well as scholarly specialists. A particularly important example concerns the production of the important Defense Dept. document "Defense Strategy for the 1990's: The Regional Defense Strategy," which was published in 1993 under the auspices of then Sec. of Defense Cheney. Libby was the chief advisor to Sec. Cheney in the strategic thinking embodied in this document and its principal draughtsman. It has been described by liberal historian Melvin Leffler as important to the post Cold War era as George Kennan's famous article on containment was to the Cold War. Subsequent



Lewis Libby

Lewis Libby is Senior Vice President of the Hudson Institute. He guides the Institute's programs on national security and defense issues, devoting particular attention to U.S. national security strategy, homeland security, the future of Asia, the Middle East, and the war against Islamic radicalism. His experience in these areas includes:

Public Service. Before joining Hudson, Libby held several high level positions in the federal government related to his current work on national security and homeland security affairs.

From 2001 to 2005, Libby served as Chief of Staff to Vice President Richard B. Cheney, Assistant to the Vice President for National Security Affairs, and Assistant to the President.

From 1998-99, Libby served as the Legal Advisor to the U.S. House of Representatives' Select Committee on U.S. National Security and Military/Commercial Concerns with the Peoples' Republic of China, commonly known as the "Cox Committee." The Committee issued a unanimous, bipartisan, multi-volume report in 1999.

From 1989 to 1993, during the George H. W. Bush administration, Libby served in the United States Department of Defense as Principal Deputy Under Secretary (Strategy and Resources), and later was confirmed by the U.S. Senate as Deputy Under Secretary of Defense for Policy. In 1993, Libby was awarded the Department of Defense Distinguished Service Award and the Department of the Navy Distinguished Public Service Award.

Libby first entered government service with the Department of State in 1981 as a member of the Policy Planning Staff in the Office of the Secretary. From 1982 to 1985 he served in the Department of State as Director of Special Projects in the Bureau of East Asian and Pacific Affairs. During these years he had extensive experience with U.S. national security issues relating to Asia. He received the Department of State's Foreign Affairs Award for Public Service in 1985.

Private Practice of Law. Prior to joining the George W. Bush administration and leaving the private practice of law, Libby served as the Managing Partner of the Washington office of the international law firm Dechert. He was a member of the firm's litigation department and chaired the Washington office's Public Policy Practice Group. He also served as the Managing Partner of the Washington Office of the law firm, Mudge, Rose, Guthrie, Alexander & Ferdon, where his practice included public policy matters.

Education. A magna cum laude graduate of Yale University, Libby focused on political science and economics, and received the Robert D. French Award for leadership and scholarship. He graduated Columbia University Law School, where he was twice a Harlan Fiske Stone Scholar.