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## **JEN PSAKI**

Described by The New York Times as, “the unflappable and genial point-person” to the media during the various crises of President Obama’s campaign and presidency, Psaki offers a fresh and current perspective on the state of the political system and lessons learned from her time as a Senior Advisor to President Obama and Secretary Kerry.

As the White House Communications chief, Psaki rewrote the playbook for communications strategy in the Obama Administration taking a more ambitious and creative approach to breaking through in a noisy media environment. She was one of the first people to walk in the door of the White House when the President took office, and can speak to what is happening behind the scenes in the first year of an Administration.

Prior to her return to the White House, she served as the spokesperson at the Department of State. As the public face for US foreign policy, she had a front seat to negotiations, traveling to more than fifty-five countries with Secretary of State John Kerry and firsthand knowledge of what motivates and drives the most relevant global leaders of today including Vladimir Putin and Benjamin Netanyahu.

And as one of the youngest high-ranking women in the Administration and the mother of a toddler, she also offers a witty perspective on gender stereotypes and strategies for overcoming them. Psaki is currently the Vice President for Communications and Strategy at the Carnegie Endowment for International Peace, a Senior Advisor at West Exec Advisors and an On Air CNN contributor.