

WHO'S WHO

An indication of **John Sununu's** decline is that his new executive assistant, **Timothy J. McBride**, is a **George Bush** loyalist, while his predecessor, **Ed Rogers**, was a Sununu man all the way. . . .

Guess who urged Bush to go easy on **Saddam Hussein** at the end of the war? **Jack Anderson** says it was **Brent Scowcroft**. Other sources tell us that Scowcroft was the Bush advisor who was most consistently dismissive of **Boris Yeltsin**. . . .

As practically everyone knows by now (see for example the *National Journal* of July 13), **Robert Zoellick** and **Margaret Tutwiler** are **James Baker's** two closest aides. But *Who's Who* readers knew about their intimacy with the secretary long ago. In March 1988, we reported that Zoellick had become Baker's new **Dick Darman**. And as early as June 1984, we noted Tutwiler's special relationship with Baker. The *American Spectator's* **David Brock** recently provided a delicious detail indicating just how special their relationship is. "I assume," Brock says, attempting to distinguish between the roles of Zoellick and Tutwiler, "that Zoellick does not receive a fresh rose on his pillow every night while on the road with the secretary." *Who's Who's* own Deep Throat adds another detail from the 1988 presidential campaign. When Tutwiler and Baker were traveling with the president, they occupied adjoining rooms—except when Mrs. Baker was accompanying her husband. . . .

Observers here have been wondering just how **William Taylor**, the administration's nominee to succeed **William Seidman** as head of the FDIC and the Resolution Trust Corporation, the S&L cleanup agency, is going to explain to congressional questioners why, in his previous post as the Federal Reserve's director of banking supervision and regulation, he failed to sniff out the emerging BCCI scandal. . . .

Three people who did what Taylor should have done and dug into the BCCI scandal were **Jack Blum**, the Senate investigator, **William von Raab**, the former Customs chief, and New York District Attorney **Robert Morgenthau**. If they were the heroes in the emergence of the truth about BCCI, von Raab says the villains in keeping it covered up were attorneys **Clark Clifford** and **Robert Altman** and public relations men **Robert Gray** and **Frank Mankiewicz**, who von Raab says convinced fellow members of the Washington establishment "that BCCI was probably not that bad since all these good guys they play golf with all the time

were representing it." . . .

Dwayne Andreas, the grain dealer, is legendary for his ability to maintain friendships and make generous contributions to influential members of both political parties. Now one of his old Democratic pals, **Robert Strauss**, is in a position to help him even though the Republicans are in power. As our man in Moscow, Strauss will have a lot to say about the grain we give or sell to the Soviet Union. Strauss should also be in a position to help another old friend, Pepsi-Cola. Not only did he once serve on its board, but he also owns a large amount of its stock. Pepsi, in case you didn't know, was a pioneer American in the Soviet market and does a substantial amount of business there. . . .

Just in case you're curious, the name the CIA's **Alan Fiers** used when he was engaged in covert operations was **Cliff Grubbs**. . . .

Robert Dole, long the leading user of corporate jets, has lost his title to **Dick Gephardt**. Last year Dole took 14 trips in business aircraft, but Gephardt managed 25. U.S. Tobacco is one of the corporations to which Gephardt became indebted for making sure he had a private plane available when he wanted to fly. . . .

There was a precedent for **William Casey's** alleged attempt to sabotage the release of American hostages in Iran before the November 1980 election. Veteran Washington observers point to the 1968 presidential race, when **Anna Chennault**—acting as an intermediary between **John Mitchell**, **Richard Nixon's** campaign chief, and **Nguyen Van Thieu**, the South Vietnamese leader—persuaded Thieu to sabotage the Paris peace talks. Had those talks been successful or even continued to appear promising in the days before the election, they would have greatly helped the **Humphrey** campaign. . . .

In—White House: Assistant and Director of Communications for Vice President Quayle—**Jeffrey Asher Nesbit**. *Office of Management and Budget:* Deputy Director for Management—**Francis S. M. Hodsall**. *Agriculture:* Deputy Secretary—**Ann M. Veneman**. *Labor:* Chief of Staff—**John A. Schall**. *State:* Undersecretary of State for Political Affairs—**Arnold Kanter**. *Transportation:* General Counsel—**Arthur J. Rothkopf**.

Out—White House: Deputy Assistant to President Bush and Executive Assistant to Chief of Staff Sununu—**Edward M. Rogers**. *Agencies and Commissions:* U.S. Trade Representative, Deputy—**S. Linn Williams**.

—Susan Threadgill

Inherit the Mint

*How Edward Bennett Williams made
legal prostitution respectable*

by Evan Thomas

Michael Milken, the junk bond king, looked stricken. The Justice Department was closing in on the empire he had built out of vision, guile, and larceny. Frightened, Milken had done what many powerful men had done when they had a serious problem. He had done what Senator Joseph McCarthy, Teamster boss Jimmy Hoffa, mafia don Frank Costello, LBJ aide Bobby Baker, singer Frank Sinatra, Soviet spy Igor Melekh, industrialist Armand Hammer, New York Yankees owner George Steinbrenner, Democratic Party Chairman Robert Strauss, *Playboy* owner Hugh Hefner, Texas Governor John Connally, financier Robert Vesco, Senator Thomas Dodd, CIA Director Richard Helms, Chrysler Chairman Lee Iacocca, Reverend Sun-Young Moon, and President Gerald Ford had all done before him: He had gone to Edward Bennett Williams.

Williams was not content to be just a great lawyer. He wanted power, and he wanted to be seen as a force for larger ends than the narrow representation of his clients. He was, at least in the beginning, an effective crusader for individual freedom. In the name of civil liberties and protecting the rights of the criminally accused, he helped spark a judicial revolution against unchecked police power in the fifties and sixties. Before anyone else, Williams exposed the illegal acts of the Federal Bureau of Investigation—the wiretapping, break-ins, buggings, and “black-bag jobs”—that were rotting J. Edgar Hoover’s empire from within. Behind the scenes, he played a little-known but critical role in revealing and ultimately reining in the abusive power of Richard Nixon’s White House. Williams not only urged Ben Bradlee to print the Pentagon Papers, he helped give *The*

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