



## U.S. Department of State Bureau of International Information Programs 2008 Political Convention Coverage

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### Webcast & Webchat Schedule

The 2008 Democratic and Republican party conventions represent the culmination of months of party primaries and caucuses, resulting in the selection of two official candidates for the U.S. presidency. Please join our daily Webchats & Webcasts, coming to you live from the convention sites in Denver and Minneapolis. Our 2008 political convention webchats & Webcasts will feature a wide array of guests, from delegates attending the events to political pundits and analysts -- from across the political spectrum -- providing their take on each day's events.

To join the video Webcasts: <http://www.cpcwebcast.com/state/>

To join the Webchats: <http://departmentofstate.acrobat.com/conventions08>

Spanish-language Webchats: <http://departmentofstate.acrobat.com/elecciones08/>

### Democratic National Convention

#### 25 August 2008

8:00 am EDT WEBCAST / 9:00 am EDT WEBCHAT

**Don Fowler**, Former Chairman, Democratic National Committee

9:00 am EDT WEBCAST / 10:00 am EDT WEBCHAT

**Jerry Hagstrom**, Contribution Editor, *National Journal*

10:00 am EDT WEBCAST / 11:00 am EDT

**Domingo Garcia**, Lawyer, Former Texas State Representative (Chat will be conducted in Spanish at <http://departmentofstate.acrobat.com/elecciones08/>)

#### 26 August 2008

10:00 am EDT WEBCAST / 11:00 am EDT WEBCAST

**Don Fowler**, Former Chairman, Democratic National Committee

11:00 am EDT WEBCAST / 12:00 pm EDT WEBCHAT

**Moses Mercado**, Senior Vice President, Ogilvy (Chat will be conducted in Spanish at <http://departmentofstate.acrobat.com/elecciones08/>)

#### 27 August 2008

8:00 am EDT WEBCAST / 9:00 am EDT WEBCHAT

**Domingo Garcia**, Lawyer, Former Texas State Representative

9:00 am EDT WEBCAST / 10:00 am EDT WEBCHAT

**Thomas Schaller**, Associate Professor, University of Maryland

10:00 am EDT WEBCAST / 11:00 am EDT WEBCHAT  
**Jerry Hagstrom**, Contributing Editor, *National Journal*

11:00 am EDT WEBCAST / 12:00 pm EDT WEBCHAT  
**Craig Hughes**, Director of Research, RBI Strategy & Research

12:00 pm EDT WEBCAST / 1:00 pm EDT WEBCHAT  
**Moses Mercado**, Senior Vice President, Ogilvy (Chat will be conducted in Spanish at <http://departmentofstate.acrobat.com/elecciones08/>)

## **28 August 2008**

8:00 am EDT WEBCAST / 9:00 am EDT WEBCHAT  
**Don Fowler**, Former Chairman, Democratic National Committee

9:00 am EDT WEBCAST / 10:00 am EDT WEBCHAT  
**Rick Ridder**, President and Co-Founder, RBI Strategy & Research

10:00 am EDT WEBCAST / 11:00 am EDT WEBCHAT  
**Thomas Schaller**, Associate Professor, University of Maryland

11:00 am EDT WEBCAST  
**Virgie Rollins**, Chair, National Committee Black Caucus

12:00 pm EDT WEBCAST / 1:00 pm EDT WEBCHAT  
**TBA**

## **Republican National Convention**

### **2 September 2008**

8:00 am EDT WEBCAST / 9:00 am EDT WEBCHAT  
**Ann Stone**, Founder and President, The Stone Group, Inc.

9:00 am EDT WEBCAST / 10:00 am EDT WEBCHAT  
**Raul "Danny" Vargas**, Executive Director, National Republican Hispanic Assembly (Chat will be conducted in Spanish at <http://departmentofstate.acrobat.com/elecciones08/>)

10:00 am EDT WEBCAST / 11:00 am EDT WEBCHAT  
**TBA**

11:00 am EDT WEBCAST / 12:00 pm EDT WEBCHAT  
**David Rivera**, Florida State Representative (Chat will be conducted in Spanish at <http://departmentofstate.acrobat.com/elecciones08/>)

12:00 am EDT WEBCAST / 1:00 pm EDT WEBCHAT  
**Steven Duffield**, Executive Director, Republican Platform Committee

### **3 September 2008**

8:00 am EDT WEBCAST / 9:00 am EDT WEBCHAT  
**David Rivera**, Florida State Representative

9:00 am EDT WEBCAST / 10:00 am EDT WEBCHAT  
**Ann Stone**, Founder and President, The Stone Group, Inc.

10:00 am EDT WEBCAST / 11:00 am EDT WEBCHAT  
**Albert Eisele**, Editor-at-Large, *The Hill*

11:00 am EDT WEBCAST / 12:00 pm EDT WEBCHAT  
**Grover Norquist**, President, Americans for Tax Reform

12:00 p.m. EDT WEBCAST / 1:00 pm EDT WEBCHAT  
**Raul “Danny” Vargas**, Executive Director, National Republican Hispanic Assembly (Chat will be conducted in Spanish at <http://departmentofstate.acrobat.com/elecciones08/>)

1:00 pm EDT WEBCAST / 2:00 pm EDT WEBCHAT  
**TBA**

## **4 September 2008**

8:00 am EDT WEBCAST / 9:00 am EDT WEBCHAT  
**Grover Norquist**, President, Americans for Tax Reform

9:00 am EDT WEBCAST / 10:00 am EDT WEBCHAT  
**Steven Duffield**, Executive Director, Republican Platform Committee

10:00 am EDT WEBCAST / 11:00 am EDT WEBCHAT  
**Albert Eisele**, Editor-at-Large, *The Hill*

11:00 am EDT WEBCAST / 12:00 pm EDT WEBCHAT  
**Ann Stone**, Founder and President, The Stone Group, Inc.

12:00 am WEBCAST / 1:00 pm EDT WEBCHAT  
**TBA**

## **8 September 2008**

### **Convention Wrap-up “The Youth Perspective”**

10:00 am EDT WEBCHAT  
**Kim Ahern**, Democratic Delegate, Rhode Island  
**Brian Graham**, Republican Delegate, Florida