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## Position: McCain should be elected

*This position addresses the topic United States presidential election, 2008.*

For this position

“ McCain's lifelong record of service to America, his battle-tested courage, unshakeable devotion to principle and clear grasp of the dangers and opportunities now facing the nation stand in dramatic contrast to the tissue-paper-thin résumé of his Democratic opponent, freshman Sen. Barack Obama. McCain has been in Washington for many years now, but he is not of Washington. He knows where the levers of power are located - and how to manipulate them - but he is not controlled by them.”

From Post endorses John McCain, by New York Post editorial board (*New York Post*, September 8, 2008) ([view](#))

“ This is not socialism. This is not the end of the world. It would, however, be a decidedly leftward move on the order of Lyndon Johnson's Great Society. The alternative is a McCain administration with a moderate conservative presiding over a divided government and generally inclined to resist a European social-democratic model of economic and social regulation featuring, for example, wealth-redistributing growth-killing marginal tax rates. ”

From McCain for President, Part II, by Charles Krauthammer (*The Washington Post*, October 31, 2008) ([view](#))

“ Or do you want a man who is the most prepared, most knowledgeable, most serious foreign policy thinker in the United States Senate? A man who not only has the best instincts but has the honor and the courage to, yes, put country first, as when he carried the lonely fight for the surge that turned Iraq from catastrophic defeat into achievable strategic victory?”

From McCain for President, by Charles Krauthammer (*The Washington Post*, October 24, 2008) ([view](#))

“ McCain understands that an Islamic war of conquest is being waged on a number of diverse fronts which all have to be seen in relation to each other. For Obama, however, the real source of evil in the world is America. The evil represented by Iran and the Islamic jihadists is apparently all America's fault. 'A lot of evil's been perpetuated based on the claim that we were fighting evil,' he said.”

From *Is America really going to do this?*, by Melanie Phillips (*The Spectator*, October 24, 2008) (view)

“ “A danger-filled world cannot afford American prevarication. Tyrants will prosper so long as Washington waits for a lead from the UN or from Brussels. It's much more important that America is strong than it is popular. The world loved America under Bill Clinton, but it was during his presidency that al-Qaeda became a deadly threat.” ”

From *Conservatives should welcome John McCain*, by Tim Montgomerie (*The Daily Telegraph*, October 22, 2008) (view)

“ “It's easy to see why the admirable Barack Obama has won so many hearts this year. He's as smooth and charismatic as his opponent is raw and irascible. But voters aren't electing a debater-in-chief. They should keep their heads – and their eyes – focused on the record. Mr. McCain has shown the bipartisan leadership Americans want. For example, the Republican maverick has worked with Democrats on campaign finance laws, immigration reform and climate change.” ”

From *We recommend John McCain for president*, by The Dallas Morning News editorial board (*The Dallas Morning News*, October 18, 2008) (view)

“ “Two years ago, when warning signs were flashing red that Fannie Mae and Freddie Mac were in serious financial danger, John McCain called for their reform and co-sponsored a bill designed to prevent them from destabilizing the whole economy. Barack Obama did nothing. Even before President Bush hired Gen. David Petraeus to turn around the war in Iraq, John McCain warned that we needed more troops on the ground. He was an immediate and vocal advocate of Gen. Petraeus' surge strategy, which turned a "lost" war into what increasingly looks like a victory. Barack Obama opposed it and advocated withdrawal.” ”

From *McCain for President: A real leader for America*, by New Hampshire Union Leader editorial board (*New Hampshire Union Leader*, October 15, 2008) (view)

“ “There is no room for a naif in the Oval Office. Being president is about policy and about getting that policy right. But being president is also about character. During his decades of service to his country John McCain has given us all ample evidence of his courage, his character and his leadership. And never more has this nation needed a president with all that John McCain has to offer.” ”

From *McCain for president: A certain leader for uncertain times*, by Boston Herald editorial board (*Boston Herald*, October 1, 2008) (view)

“ “I believe that America is an exceptional country, one that demands exceptional leadership. After the difficulties of the last eight years, Americans are hungry for change and they deserve it. My career has been dedicated to the security and prosperity of America and that of every nation that seeks to live in freedom. It's time to get our country, and our world, back on track.” ”

From *What We're Fighting For*, by John McCain (*The Wall Street Journal*, November 3, 2008) (view)

“ This presidential election comes down, as they often do, to trust. We must trust the person's competence, courage and ability to defend us from our enemies and to fight for the best economic conditions possible. In both areas, John McCain stands head and shoulders above his rival. McCain has been tested as few men ever have, and he has never been found wanting. Barack Obama has no experience -- none. He may be the most unprepared major-party candidate ever.”

From Joseph W. McQuaid: America's choice this Tuesday, by Joseph McQuaid (*New Hampshire Union Leader*, November 2, 2008) (view)

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