

RUDOLPH GIULIANI

08 WATCH: DECEMBER 2005



IN FOCUS:

Grover Norquist Says Giuliani Can't Run for President Because He Is Not Aligned Politically with Republican Primary Voters. Anti-tax crusader Grover Norquist said, "Well, it's name recognition and general positive before you start asking questions. I don't think Giuliani runs for president, because if you try and get into the weeds, where is he going to be on a series of issues that would matter to Republican primary voters? Guns... Gay rights, abortion. And I don't quite know where he is on taxes." [Charlie Rose Show, 12/6/05]

IN THEIR OWN WORDS: **FIGHTING WORDS FOR GIULIANI FROM THE MCCAIN CAMP**

"I think Rudy would make an attractive secretary of state or secretary of defense in a McCain administration." —Marshall Wittmann, a former McCain aide [Newsday, 12/10/05]

BUZZ WATCH:

Giuliani Is the Leading Republican for the 2008 New York and Georgia Presidential Primaries. A Strategic Vision poll, conducted from December 2 through December 4, found that Giuliani would win the 2008 New York presidential primary, garnering 45 percent of the vote. Sen. John McCain would win 15 percent of the vote, while the remaining candidates, including New York Governor George Pataki, remain mired in single digits. Giuliani would also win the Georgia presidential primary, winning 26 percent to McCain's 19 percent and Newt Gingrich's 9 percent. In Washington State, Giuliani would tie with McCain at 24 percent. [National Journal, 12/8/05, 12/7/05]

McCain Advisors Have Been Talking-Down Giuliani's Chances for a Successful Presidential Run. According to Newsday, "'I think Rudy would make an attractive secretary of state or secretary of defense in a McCain administration,' Marshall Wittmann... Wittmann is just one of many McCainiacs questioning the viability of a Giuliani candidacy if the ex-mayor decides to put his lucrative business on the back burner and run. They argue that the former mayor's liberal positions on abortion (he favors abortion rights), guns (he's for strict controls) and gay rights (he drew heat from conservatives for once living with a gay couple and implemented New York's landmark domestic partnership law) put him far to the left of McCain and most GOP primary voters." [Newsday, 12/10/05]

DAY JOB:

Giuliani Is Creating Jobs... For Spaniards. After Giuliani made several trips to Spain in 2004 and 2005, Giuliani's Sage Capital Risk Fund announced it would invest tens of millions of Euros to construct two biodiesel plants in Madrid and Burgos. According to a Spanish language story, "The annual short-term fuel production goal is 150,000 tons, and the mid-term objective is 500,000 tons." The Fund will also erect what's billed as the country's first solar plate factory in Aranda de Duero. [National Journal, 12/6/05; http://www.us.spainbusiness.com/icex/cda/controller/pageInv/0,2958,35868_594951_1026487_387001,00.html]

MONEY UPDATE:

Giuliani's PAC, Solutions America, Has Nearly \$360K on Hand. From January through October of this year, Rudy Giuliani's Solutions America PAC had raised \$298,222 in contributions—including contributions from key industry leaders such as Ernst & Young, Pfizer, and Verizon. Giuliani's PAC has \$358,833 on hand. Solutions America raised \$261,283 in contributions during the 2004 election cycle. [tray.com]

NOVEMBER/DECEMBER SCHEDULE RECAP:

12/12/05—New York, NY: Giuliani is slated to host a \$5K/ticket fundraiser at Club Havana on 5th Ave benefiting 7 House Republicans. [[National Journal](#), 11/29/05, 11/30/05; [Newsday](#), 12/10/05]

12/2/05—Arizona: Giuliani visited Arizona for a business conference. [[National Journal](#), 12/2/05]

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