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## Ari Fleischer to Speak at Chapman Sept. 25

**ORANGE, Calif.** Former White House press secretary Ari Fleischer will visit Chapman University to present a lecture on Monday, September 25 at 7 p.m. The lecture, featuring Fleischer speaking on topics ranging from the media and public relations to public policy and the current world situation, will take place in the University Auditorium in Memorial Hall. Admission is free and open to the public. The event is presented by Associated Students of Chapman University. For more information, the public can call (714) 744-7026.

Ari Fleischer was press secretary for President George W. Bush from January 2001 to July 2003, delivering the daily White House media briefings. He previously served as the senior communications advisor and spokesman for the Bush-Cheney presidential campaign. In his almost four years working for President Bush, he served as spokesman during the historic presidential election recount, the September 11 terrorist attacks, two wars and the anthrax attack. His best-selling book, *Taking Heat*, details his years in the White House and reached #7 on the *New York Times* bestseller list.

Prior to joining the Bush campaign, Mr. Fleischer was the national spokesman and communications director for Elizabeth Dole's presidential campaign. In November 1994, Mr. Fleischer was hired as communications director by the House Committee on Ways and Means after Republicans took control of the Congress. He also served as press secretary to New Mexico Senator Pete Domenici from 1989 to 1994. From 1983 to 1989, Fleischer served as press secretary to two members of Congress from New York, and worked on several political campaigns.

Mr. Fleischer is a native of Pound Ridge, New York, and a 1982 graduate of Vermont's Middlebury College. Now president of his own firm, Ari Fleischer Communications, Inc., he resides in Westchester County with his wife, Becki, and their daughter.