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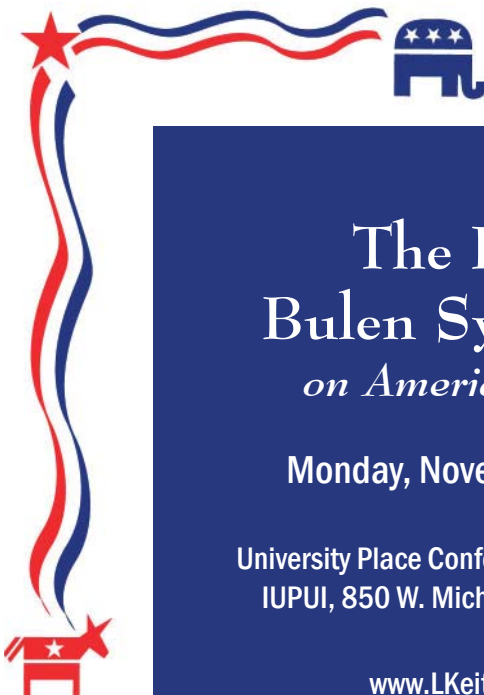
Monday, November 10, 2008, 8 am - 3 pm

University Place Conference Center, IUPUI  
850 W. Michigan St., Indianapolis

The 2008 election season has been memorable for several reasons. A woman emerged as a serious presidential contender during the primaries and another was chosen as a vice-presidential candidate. An African-American was nominated by a major political party to run for president. High profile primary candidates included a Mormon and an ordained Southern Baptist minister. How much or how little does the gender, race, or religion of a candidate matter? This Bulen Symposium explores the relevance of these categories for electoral politics. It also provides assessments of the 2008 elections at the national, state, and local levels.

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### The Bulen Symposium *on American Politics*

Since 1998, the Bulen Symposium has been one of the nation's premier forums for discussion of America's political parties and other issues relating to our political system. The symposium, named in memory of party activist and local leader L. Keith Bulen, takes place every other year following national elections, on the campus of Indiana University-Purdue University Indianapolis (IUPUI).

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8:00 <sup>am</sup> <b>Registration</b> <i>Conference Center Lobby</i>	11:00 <sup>am</sup> <b>Religion and the 2008 Elections</b> To be announced
9:00 <sup>am</sup> <b>Welcome</b> <i>All sessions are held in the Auditorium.</i>	11:30 <sup>am</sup> <b>Mid-Day Keynote Address</b> Candy Crowley <i>Senior Political Correspondent, CNN</i>
9:10 <sup>am</sup> <b>Morning Keynote Address</b> Mark Halperin <i>Political Analyst and Editor-at-Large, Time Magazine</i>	12:00 <sup>pm</sup> <b>Lunch</b> Bistro, University Place Hotel <i>Registrants only</i>
9:35 <sup>am</sup> <b>Keith Bulen and The Bulen Symposium</b> William Blomquist <i>Dean, IU School of Liberal Arts at IUPUI Professor of Political Science</i>	1:20 <sup>pm</sup> <b>Afternoon Keynote Address</b> To be announced <i>All sessions are held in the Auditorium.</i>
9:45 <sup>am</sup> <b>Gender and the 2008 Elections</b> Amanda Carpenter <i>National Political Correspondent, Townhall.com</i>	1:50 <sup>pm</sup> <b>Indiana Party Leadership</b> J. Murray Clark <i>State Chair, Indiana Republican Party</i> Daniel Parker <i>State Chair, Indiana Democratic Party</i> Todd Singer <i>State Chair, Indiana Libertarian Party</i>
10:15 <sup>am</sup> <b>Break</b> <i>Conference Center Lobby</i>	2:20 <sup>pm</sup> <b>Media Perspectives on the State and Local Elections</b> Abdul Shabazz <i>Host, Abdul in the Morning, Newstalk 1430 WXNT</i>
10:30 <sup>am</sup> <b>Race and the 2008 Elections</b> Marc Lamont Hill <i>Political Contributor, Fox News Channel</i>	

For program updates and additional information visit [www.LKeithBulen.com](http://www.LKeithBulen.com).

## Support the Bulen in 2008

The Bulen Symposium was established in 1998 to provide an important forum for the examination of the American political process. It is a biennial event, scheduled in conjunction with American electoral cycles and is supported by private contributions and symposium registrations and sponsorships. American democracy is sustained by regular and reasoned inquiry and dialogue. Contributions and Patron registrations support the Symposium and contribute to the democratic process of free speech, informed choice, and voter participation. Gifts are tax deductible to the extent the law allows.



We hope you will join us on November 10th! All seating for the Bulen Symposium is reserved with payment. Refunds for non-attendees are not available. Ensure your place at the Symposium by registering no later than Wednesday, November 5. Day-of registration at the symposium is available for \$50.

### The Bulen Symposium Registration Form ★ Please respond no later than November 5, 2008.

For registration questions, please contact Johnny Goldfinger, [jgoldfin@iupui.edu](mailto:jgoldfin@iupui.edu) or 317.278.8443.

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### ★ IUPUI Maps ★

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### Past Symposia

2006	Big Tents or Echo Chambers? America's Political Parties Today
2004	What Happened and Where are We Heading?
2002	The Virtues of Partisanship (Are There Any?)
2001	Where do You Draw the Line? Redistricting, the Parties, and the Public
2000	Party of One? e-Politics and the Political Process in the New Millennium
1999	Front-Loading: Is a Blizzard of Primaries Burying the Political Parties?
1998	The Inaugural Bulen Symposium