

Jon T. Rymer,
of Tennessee, to be Inspector General, Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation, vice Gaston L. Gianni, Jr.

Milan D. Smith, Jr.,
of California, to be U.S. Circuit Judge for the Ninth Circuit, vice A. Wallace Tashima, retired.

Frank D. Whitney,
of North Carolina, to be U.S. District Judge for the Western District of North Carolina, vice H. Brent McKnight, deceased.

Submitted February 17

Linda Avery Strachan,
of Virginia, to be an Assistant Secretary of Agriculture, vice Mary Kirtley Waters.

Randall L. Tobias,
of Indiana, to be Administrator of the U.S. Agency for International Development, vice Andrew S. Natsios, resigned.

David F. Kustoff,
of Tennessee, to be U.S. Attorney for the Western District of Tennessee for the term of 4 years, vice Terrell Lee Harris, resigned.

John Charles Richter,
of Oklahoma, to be U.S. Attorney for the Western District of Oklahoma for the term of 4 years, vice Robert Garner McCampbell, resigned.

Amul R. Thapar,
of Kentucky, to be U.S. Attorney for the Eastern District of Kentucky for the term of 4 years, vice Gregory F. Van Tatenhove, resigned.

Checklist of White House Press Releases

The following list contains releases of the Office of the Press Secretary that are neither printed as items nor covered by entries in the Digest of Other White House Announcements.

Released February 13

Transcript of a press briefing by Press Secretary Scott McClellan

Transcripts of press briefings by Council of Economic Advisers members Katherine Baicker and Matthew J. Slaughter on the 2006 Economic Report of the President

Advanced text: Remarks by Assistant to the President for Homeland Security and Counterterrorism Frances Fragos Townsend on national preparedness to the NEMA Conference

Released February 14

Transcript of a press briefing by Press Secretary Scott McClellan

Released February 15

Transcript of a press gaggle by Press Secretary Scott McClellan

Statement by the Press Secretary announcing that the President signed H.R. 4636

Released February 16

Transcript of a press briefing by Press Secretary Scott McClellan

Transcript of a press briefing by OMB Deputy Director Joel Kaplan, Under Secretary of Defense Tina W. Jonas, State Department Senior Adviser for Foreign Assistance Maria Raphael, State Department Senior Adviser for Iraq James Jeffrey on the FY 2006 emergency supplemental request for the global war on terror

Fact sheet: President Requests \$72.4 Billion for the Global War on Terror

Fact sheet: President Bush Requests \$19.8 Billion for Hurricane Recovery

Released February 17

Transcript of a press gaggle by Deputy Press Secretary Trent Duffy

Fact sheet: President Bush Receives Briefing From Military Commanders

**Acts Approved
by the President**

Approved February 3 *

H.R. 4659 / Public Law 109–170
To amend the USA PATRIOT ACT to extend the sunset of certain provisions of such Act

Approved February 8 **

S. 1932 / Public Law 109–171
Deficit Reduction Act of 2005

* This public law was inadvertently omitted from last week's issue.

Approved February 10 **

H.R. 4519 / Public Law 109–172
State High Risk Pool Funding Extension Act of 2006

Approved February 15

H.R. 4636 / Public Law 109–173
Federal Deposit Insurance Reform Conforming Amendments Act of 2005

** These public laws were not received in time for inclusion in the appropriate issue.