

Jeffrey M. Smith

Class of 1963

Jeff Smith graduated from the University of Pennsylvania and went to work in Washington for Senator Robert F. Kennedy's Presidential campaign and later that of Senator George McGovern after Kennedy's assassination in June of 1968. Jeff remained a Special Assistant to McGovern and worked on McGovern's 1972 run for President. Following a stint as President of Cambridge Survey Research, a national polling firm, he returned to Washington to work as a Senior Aide for McGovern in 1977. Jeff later worked as a Senior Advisor for Senator Edward Kennedy and Senate Majority Leader Tom Daschle, helping both Senators launch initiatives in health, education and domestic policy. He then returned to New Mexico, where he served as a Senior Advisor to the Director of the Los Alamos National Laboratory. Upon his return to Washington, Jeff joined the Clinton White House as policy director for two of the President's science advisors. Today, he serves as a Senior Aide to President Obama's Assistant for Science and Technology, where he helps steer innovative policy developments in energy, education, national security, the environment and the economy.

