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"An Evening with John Dean"

Wednesday, September 2, 7:00 pm

State Building Auditorium, 6150 Van Nuys Blvd, Van Nuys

Former Nixon White House Counsel John Dean has closely followed the torture debates happening in Congress and

throughout the country. His keen legal insights cut through the emotional argument and attack the core of the national debate – the constitutionality and legitimacy of the use of torture by the U.S. John's analysis includes:

- *The perceived vs. actual benefits of torture*
- *The legality of the infamous torture memos*
- *Torture as war crime*
- *The types of torture*
- *Use of domestic vs. international law in prosecuting those sanctioning torture activities*
- *The consequences of failing to hold an administration responsible for authorizing torture*

John shares the concern of many that the Obama Administration's policy of looking forward, not back, signals an unwillingness to prosecute. "I think there are serious consequences if they refuse to point fingers," he states. John will also speak about the startling new revelations found in the re-release of his best-seller, [Blind Ambition: The End of the Story](#). As Nixon apologists continue to rewrite the history of the Watergate break-in, Dean exposes new details that validate and clarify the truth of his original work. *Blind Ambition* continues to hold relevance, especially in the wake of the Bush Administration, in its documentation of the abuses of governmental power. John's recent appearance at the Nixon Library to discuss the book, which coincided with the 37th anniversary of the Watergate break-in, outraged conservatives and created an uproar in right-wing blogs and media. Books will be available for purchase and signing at the event. [Here's an opportunity to bring your Watergate and Bush Administration questions!](#)

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