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Mrs. Jose Perez

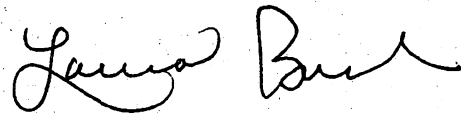
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Dear Mrs. Perez:

As we approach our 100<sup>th</sup> day at the White House, President Bush and I are grateful for the outpouring of goodwill we have received from you and from many others across our nation. To serve our country in this capacity is a tremendous honor, and we appreciate your special message of confidence and support.

Thank you also for including your daughter's kind review of "The Revenge of the Bush Dynasty."

With best wishes,



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Dear Mrs. Bush:

I was looking in my daughter desk for a pen and I found this assay that she did for her homework. She admires your family so much that I decided to send it to you so you can show it to your husband. She is a senior this year and is planning to study politics. Thank you for your attention.

Denisse Perez

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**This political biography, complete with life-altering turning points and a political philosophy, separates the father from the son. *The Revenge of the Bush Dynasty* is Elizabeth Mitchell's offering: a light and breezy book mixing personal and political remembrances that proves heavy on chatty stories. This biography is so upbeat and positive, in describing the Houston woman to whom he was engaged in college and from whom he "gradually drifted apart," Bush says, "I still think the world of her, and our parting was friendly. We were very young, we lived in different places, and we gradually developed different lives." This book reveals a man who stands on his own merit and character and gives you a vast look into the man that has revitalized the Republican Party.**

**It has been said that following in political family steps is often the most stressful way to make a living. You have a responsibility and family name to uphold and you are under constant inquiry for everything you do. George W. Bush has made a political living out of defying the odds. I believe that George W. Bush has tried and somewhat succeeded in trying to overcome his father's shadow. The book goes into W's life from his childhood and college years, through his leadership in the state of Texas. What I found most fascinating about the whole book is the way the author remain objective in detailing how George W. learned the political game from watching dad. The book takes a look into a man the press knows very little about. The book and the author should be congratulated for the outstanding work. I highly recommend this book to anyone working politics or those wanting to get involved.**

**George W. has been labeled to having a political career solely on the fact that his father had a wonderful career (Yes Mr. Anderson a Republican had a great career because Republicans are the best!). George W. has followed closely in his father's footsteps, attending the same prep school and college. He even belonged to the same secret society at Yale, Skull and Bones. From college it was on to flight school and the Texas Air National Guard, Harvard Business School, and then (again, like his father) the Texas oil business and politics. George W. seems mostly in sync with his father on policy issues as well. By reading this biography, I closed the book knowing many of the experiences and events that have helped shaped one of the greatest men our nation has had the pleasure of knowing, George W. (Yes he is the greatest!). It features lots of Bush family memories and numerous mentions of George W.'s famous parents, including letters from his president father.**

**George W. comes alive in the book as a person of values, convictions, and the guts to do what is right, even when it might not be politically advantageous. He has been accused of being a "lightweight" when it comes to the issues. Mitchell talks candidly about how he makes decisions, about his successes and failures in Texas.**

**Just reading this book, you see the brains he had to figure out a way to make all that money after a loss in the oil business.**

**This particular book is extremely well balanced. If you love the Bush clan, or hate them, you will find something within. Personally, I found it an insightful and interesting tale of one of our nations most powerful political families. Is George W qualified to be President? Yes, how dare anyone question that! Well that is a question that only time will answer. However one thing is for certain, the Bush family is a political dynasty (now more impressive than the Kennedys) and the people of Texas sincerely love both of their Georges.**

**The premise of Elizabeth Mitchell's *W: Revenge of the Bush Dynasty* is that if you want to understand George W. Bush, you must look at his parents--especially his father. Mitchell, a former executive editor of *George* magazine, clearly believes that pleasing his father has been the driving force in George W.'s life, leading him to follow in his father's footsteps almost stride for stride--to Andover, Yale, the oil business, politics, and a run for the presidency. An Andover friend of George W. told Mitchell that he has been resolutely trying "to live up to his father's achievements" his entire life. And that hasn't always proved easy, particularly in school, where George W. excelled in social pursuits rather than academics. "It's the first son syndrome," Mitchell quotes another friend. "You want to live up to the very high expectations set by your father, but at the same time you want to go your own way, so you end up going kicking and screaming down the exact path your father made." His mother, Barbara, even said in an interview that George W. and Jeb's decisions to enter politics "sort of vindicates our life," touching on a recurring theme in the book. "George W. would love to avenge his father's defeat," Mitchell writes. "To some, his political interest seemed ignited less by passion for the issues than by revenge." Full of rich detail and telling anecdotes, *W* is an important look at a dynasty in waiting.**

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