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**Born:** September 6, 1941 in New York City

**Profession:** Politician, businessman

**GW Bush Administration Position:**

- Chairman of the Defense Policy Board at the Pentagon

**War crime charge(s):**

- Crime against peace – planning and carrying out a war of aggression.
- Chief architect of the Iraq war.
- Nicknamed the "Prince of Darkness".<sup>1</sup>
- Told Italian newspaper that Mohammad Atta consulted Saddam Hussein before 9-11.<sup>2</sup>

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**More Information:**

- [3-3 -11 Shadow Elite: Libya and the Consummate Shadow Lobbyist - Neocon Richard Perle](#)
- [7-11-14 'Prince of Darkness' Disowns Iraq's Tragedy](#)

**Note:**

Nov 2001: "He has weapons of mass destruction. The lesser risk is in pre-emption. We've got to stop wishing away the problem."

April 2005: "There is reason to believe that we were sucked into an ill-conceived initial attack aimed at Saddam himself by double agents planted by the regime<sup>4</sup>."

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<sup>1</sup> <http://www.guardian.co.uk/world/2003/mar/28/iraqbriefing.iraq>

<sup>2</sup> [http://www.news24.com/News24/Archive/0,,2-1659\\_1254270,00.html](http://www.news24.com/News24/Archive/0,,2-1659_1254270,00.html)

<sup>3</sup> (a limited partnership venture capital company that invests in technology, goods, and services related to homeland security and defense)

<sup>4</sup> Washington Post, Same Committee, Same Combatants, Different Tune, By Dana Milbank, Thursday, April 7, 2005; Page A10 - <http://www.washingtonpost.com/ac2/wp-dyn/A32440-2005Apr6?language=printer>