

Tale of the Tape

THE WASHINGTON MONTHLY MEASURES UP THE HEAVYWEIGHTS IN THE 2008 PRESIDENTIAL CAMPAIGN.

HILLARY “DONE DEAL” CLINTON

Height: 5’6”

Reach: National

Weight (Wait): Since the health care defeat of 1994

Fighting style: Stays to the center of the ring, hard to pin in corner

In her corner:

Bill Clinton, Mark Penn, Patti Solis Doyle, Mandy Grunwald, Howard Wolfson, Harold Ickes, Terry McAuliffe, Tamera Luzzatto, Angelo Dundee, the Republican establishment



BARACK “PROFESSOR PUGILIST” OBAMA

Height: 6’1”

Reach: International, possibly interplanetary

Weight (Wait): Since convention speech of 2004

Fighting style: Above the pettiness of our current boxing world

In his corner: Oprah

RUDY “QAEDA HATA” GIULIANI

Height: 5’10”

Reach: Anywhere Verizon can reach

Marriages: Three, to the discomfort of his Church

Hair: From combover to cue ball

Fighting style: Below the belt (savagely)



MITT “YOU CAN CALL ME MITT” ROMNEY

Height: 6’2”

Reach: Anywhere you want him to reach

Marriages: One, to the discomfort of his Church

Hair: As rich and pliant as the candidate from whom it sprouts

Fighting style: Below the belt (obligingly)

THE UNDERCARD

- What many consider the main event: Jeri vs. Judy
- Bill Richardson vs. Joe Biden in the “We Coulda Been Contenders Bout”
- Mike Huckabee vs. Dennis Kucinich, bantamweight division

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