

COACHABILITY ON THE CAMPAIGN TRAIL AMERICA'S TOP COACH RATES THE CANDIDATES LEADERSHIP STYLES

Los Angeles, February 26th, 2008...With Presidential candidates campaigning and managing on a non-stop basis, America's Top Coach, Stephen Xavier, has ample opportunity to rank their leadership styles. Xavier, whose clients include numerous Fortune 500 companies like ABC Television, Disney, Motorola and Goldman Sachs gives Barack Obama and John McCain high scores in coachability.

“Obama gets the highest score as a coachable leader. He genuinely interacts with his constituents, exudes a consensus temperament and continues to keep an even keel with a steady message,” said Xavier. “He continues to win the public's support because of his obvious commitment to act in a way that will improve the current situation”.

“Clinton however, is a rather transparent study of opposites – stern, rigid, driven, defensive, quick to attack and very single-minded,” notes Xavier. “She lacks the resilience to overcome setbacks and continues to change her message and her staff as she reacts to the most recent polls”.

“McCain, like Obama, stays straight on course with admirable flexibility demonstrating consistency while surrounding himself by trusted advisors. McCain's coachability became particularly evident when he and his staff turned the recent “attacks” from the New York Times into a fund-raising opportunity”. Although his success to-date is somewhat limited, it is more than just rumored that he is reaching even deeper into the pools of likely but as yet

tapped voters via the direction of trusted advisors.

Stephen Xavier is the CEO of Cornerstone Executive Development Group. He is also currently at work on a book, tentatively titled “A Coaching Handbook for Leaders,” which details his philosophy and offers practical tools and solutions for business executives.

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