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O'Melveny's Culvahouse Authors Op-Ed on VP Vetting Process in Wall Street Journal

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In the May 15, 2012, edition of the *Wall Street Journal*, O'Melveny & Myers partner A.B. Culvahouse, Jr., authored an opinion piece titled, "What I Learned Vetting VP Nominees." Culvahouse served as part of the vetting committee for four elections, starting in 1976. The article offers an insider perspective on the vice presidential selection process in the run-up to the election, specifically regarding his vetting of Sarah Palin.

"Short-listed potential VP nominees are required to hand over tax returns, medical histories, financial statements, court records, and anything else labeled 'private and confidential,' while also answering the most probing questions about themselves, their spouses, their children and their extended family—questions I would not dream of posing in any other context," Culvahouse wrote in the article.