

# Karl Rove resigns



President Bush's "political alter ego" is to resign from the White House after six and a half years as the most influential White House aide of modern times

■ **Dec 25, 1950:** *Karl Christian Rove* born in Denver, Colorado

■ **1993:** Rove begins advising *George W. Bush* in his successful campaign to become governor of Texas

■ **Election 2000:** Called by Bush the "boy genius", his crucial strategy for victory is to target the religious right and present Bush as an alternative to scandal-dogged *Bill Clinton*

■ **2002:** Republicans gain seats in both House and Senate in midterm elections for first time since 1934

■ **Election 2004:** Rove guides President Bush to re-election. Party gains seats in both houses of Congress for only the second time in history

■ **July 2007:** U.S. Senate issues subpoena against him as part of probe into sacking of eight federal prosecutors. Bush orders him not to testify, citing executive privilege