



**Name:** George John Tenet

**Born:** January 5, 1953, in Queens, NY

**Profession:**

**GW Bush Administration Position:**

- Director of Central Intelligence (1997-2004)

**War crime charge(s):**

- Crime against peace – planning and carrying out a war of aggression.
- Complicity in the commission of a war crime – torture, ill-treatment of detainees.
- Presented Bush with blueprint for "war on terror." Allowed erroneous information about WMD in Iraq to be used to justify attack on Iraq. Was CIA director when CIA was authorized to use waterboarding.

**Primary Association:**

- Managing director, [Allen & Company](#) (investment bank), New York, NY

**Secondary Associations:**

- Board of Directors, L-1 Identity Solutions (supplier of biometric identification software), Stamford, CT and Arlington, VA
- Board of Directors, Guidance Software (forensic software), Pasadena, CA
- Non-executive director, [Qinetiq](#), a controversially privatised British defense and security technology company.

**[Excellent biography page on Tenet by The Center for Torture Accountability.](#)**

**More Information:**

- [1-19-10 ICC Complaint Filed Against Bush, Cheney, Rumsfeld, Tenet, Rice & Gonzales](#)
- [7-25-14 Ex-Chief of C.I.A. Shapes Response to Detention Report](#)

- [3/19/23 20 Years After Illegal US Invasion of Iraq, Its Architects Are Still Cashing In](#)

**Note:**

"How could [an intelligence] community without a strategic plan tell the president of the United States just four days after 9/11 how to attack the Afghan sanctuary and operate against al-Qa'ida in ninety-two countries around the world?<sup>1</sup>"

"They're setting me up. The bastards are setting me up, [but] I am not going to take the hit.<sup>2</sup>"

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<sup>1</sup> from *At the Center of the Storm*, by George Tenet

<sup>2</sup> Possibly apocryphal outburst in Patrick Tyler's book, *A World of Trouble*, about an inebriated Tenet in Prince Bandar's swimming pool in Riyadh, Saudi Arabia. Tenet denies the incident.

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From [Officials of Torture](#) , website of Sandra Koponen.



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