

Karine Jean-Pierre

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35th [White House Press Secretary](#)

[Incumbent](#)

Assumed office

May 13, 2022

President [Joe Biden](#)

Preceded by [Jen Psaki](#)

Succeeded by [Karoline Leavitt](#) (*designate*)

[White House Principal Deputy Press Secretary](#)

In office

January 20, 2021 – May 13, 2022

President Joe Biden

Preceded by Brian Morgenstern

Succeeded by TBD

Personal details

Born August 13, 1974 (age 50)
[Fort-de-France](#), [Martinique](#), [France](#)

Political party [Democratic](#)

Domestic partner [Suzanne Malveaux](#)

Children 1

Education [New York Institute of Technology](#) (BS)
[Columbia University](#) (MPA)

Website [Official website](#)

Karine Jean-Pierre (born August 13, 1974) is a French-born American [political campaign](#) organizer, activist, political commentator, and author. She is the 35th [White House Press Secretary](#) since May 13, 2022.^[1] She was the [White House Principal Deputy Press Secretary](#) from 2021 until 2022. She is the first black person and the first openly [LGBTQ](#) person to be Press Secretary.^[2]

Jean-Pierre was the chief of staff for Democratic vice presidential nominee [Kamala Harris](#) on the [2020 United States presidential campaign](#) and was the first Black woman, and the first lesbian, to ever hold that position.^[3]

Jean-Pierre was born in [Martinique](#), [France](#) to [Haitian](#) immigrant parents.^[4] She was raised in [Queens, New York](#).^[5]

Jean-Pierre is openly [lesbian](#).^[2]

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Cabinet of President Joe Biden (2021-present)

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Cabinet

Secretary of State • [Blinken](#) (2021-present)

Secretary of the Treasury • [Yellen](#) (2021-present)

Secretary of Defense • [Austin](#) (2021-present)

Attorney General • [Garland](#) (2021-present)

Secretary of the Interior • [Haaland](#) (2021-present)

Secretary of Agriculture • [Vilsack](#) (2021-present)

Secretary of Commerce • [Raimondo](#) (2021-present)

Secretary of Labor • [Walsh](#) (2021-2023)
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<u>Secretary of Health and Human Services</u>	• Becerra (2021–present)
<u>Secretary of Housing and Urban Development</u>	• Fudge (2021–2024)
<u>Secretary of Transportation</u>	• Buttigieg (2021–present)
<u>Secretary of Energy</u>	• Granholm (2021–present)
<u>Secretary of Education</u>	• Cardona (2021–present)
<u>Secretary of Veterans Affairs</u>	• McDonough (2021–present)
<u>Secretary of Homeland Security</u>	• Mayorkas (2021–present)
<u>Cabinet-level</u>	
<u>Vice President</u>	• Kamala Harris (2021–present)
<u>White House Chief of Staff</u>	• Klain (2021–2023) • Zients (2023–present)
<u>Trade Representative</u>	• Tai (2021–present)
<u>Director of National Intelligence</u>	• Haines (2021–present)
<u>Director of the Central Intelligence Agency</u>	• Burns (2021–present)
<u>Ambassador to the United Nations</u>	• Thomas-Greenfield (2021–present)
Chair of the <u>Council of Economic Advisers</u>	• Rouse (2021–2023) • Bernstein (2023–present)
Director of the <u>Office of Management and Budget</u>	• Young (2022–present)
<u>Administrator of the Environmental Protection Agency</u>	• Regan (2021–present)

<u>Administrator of the Small Business Administration</u>	• Guzman (2021–present)
<u>Special Presidential Envoy for Climate</u>	• Kerry (2021–2024) • Podesta (2024–present)
Director of the <u>Office of Science and Technology Policy</u>	• Lander (2021–2022) • Prabhakar (2022–present)
Executive Cabinet	
<u>National Security Advisor</u>	• Sullivan (2021–present)
<u>White House Press Secretary</u>	• Psaki (2021–2022) • Jean-Pierre (2022–present)
<u>White House Communications Director</u>	• Bedingfield (2021–2023) • LaBolt (2023–present)
Director of the <u>National Economic Council</u>	• Deese (2021–2023) • Brainard (2023–present)
Director of the <u>Office of National Drug Control Policy</u>	• Gupta (2021–present)
Commissioner of the <u>Food and Drug Administration</u>	• Califf (2022–present)
Chair of the <u>Securities and Exchange Commission</u>	• Gensler (2021–present)
<u>Solicitor General</u>	• Prelogar (2021–present)
Director of the <u>Consumer Financial Protection Bureau</u>	• Chopra (2021–present)
Director of the <u>United States Domestic Policy Council</u>	• Rice (2021–2023) • Tanden (2023–present)
<u>United States National Cyber Director</u>	• Inglis (2021–2023)

White House COVID-19 Response Coordinator	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Zients (2021–2022) • Jha (2022–present)
White House Climate Coordinator	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • McCarthy (2021–2022) • Zaidi (2022–present)
Other independent offices	
Director of the Federal Bureau of Investigation	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Wray** (2017–present)
Secretary of the Army	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Wormuth (2021–present)
Secretary of the Air Force	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Kendall III (2021–present)
Secretary of the Navy	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Del Toro (2021–present)
Surgeon General	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Murthy (2021–present)
United States Permanent Representative to NATO	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Smith (2021–2024)
Administrator of the National Aeronautics and Space Administration	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Nelson (2021–present)
Administrator of the United States Agency for International Development	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Power (2021–present)
Chair of the Federal Communications Commission	

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Rosenworcel (2021–present)
Commissioner of the Federal Trade Commission	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Khan (2021–present)
Administrators of Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Brooks-LaSure (2021–present)
Administrator of General Services	Carnahan (2021–present)
Director of the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention	Walensky (2021–present)
Chair of the Federal Reserve	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Powell** (2018–present)
Chair of the National Endowment for the Humanities	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Lowe (2022–present)
President of the World Bank Group	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Malpass** (2019–2023) • Banga (2023–present)
<p>*Pending Senate confirmation</p> <p>**Kept/Stayed from the Trump administration</p> <p>See also: Political appointments of Joe Biden</p>	

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