

ARLEN SPECTER

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I spent a couple of days looking at Arlen's clips in recent days. Dand and I went to lunch both times. Dan likes to talk about why people do all this and wonders what the glory is that makes them go through it.

He agreed that "determination" was a good adjective for Arlen; he called him "resolute." He said Arlen once told him that persistence or doggedness or some such was the difference between good lawyers and not so good lawyers. When I first asked Dan what word he would use to describe AS, he said "cautious."

I asked him if he thought Arlen was affected in his Senate behavior by his political defeats. He didn't answer directly. But he said he thought that when you lose, you are reminded of how vulnerable you are it makes you less "cocksure of yourself." So maybe Arlen's defeats have taken the edge off the old intensity.

He says that Arlen believes he can make a difference.