

MY ARMITAGE AS MR. X SCENARIO

Well, I offered [a scenario for how Ari could be Mr. X](#) last week. Now I'm getting to the hard part—exploring how Armitage could be Mr. X, the source of Plame's identity for both Woodward and Novak.

But before I do that, let me clarify what I'm doing and why I'm doing it (and why I did the Ari scenario). I'm putting together what I consider a *plausible* scenario. I don't mean to claim this (or the Ari scenario) is true. Rather, it's a scenario in a futuring sense, an attempt to tell a possible story, to weigh how plausible it is and to explore what it might mean. Frankly, I'm writing this Armitage post from an awkward position. After [eyeballing the Fitzgerald filing](#) from the other day, I'm convinced that Armitage fits in the redactions better than any other name (here's a more recent attempt at [the eyeballing](#) we did 10 days ago for those who want to see the scans side-by-side). At the same time, I've been a confirmed Armitage skeptic, believing that Dick or Hadley or any number of other people are much more likely and that Armitage is very unlikely. And I don't believe anyone—certainly not the chief purveyors of the Armitage theory—have provided a plausible scenario for his leaks at all. So I should say I'm definitely not convinced of what follows; I'm just trying to understand how Armitage could be plausible.