

**QUOTES ABOUT LESLEY VISSER AS THE 2006 RECIPIENT  
OF THE PRO FOOTBALL HALL OF FAME'S PETE ROZELLE RADIO AND  
TELEVISION AWARD**

**Leslie Moonves, President and CEO, CBS Corporation** – “Lesley Visser’s three decade career has defined and invented all roles for women in television sports. She has always been in our Hall of Fame and we are tremendously proud at CBS that she is being recognized with the Pete Rozelle Award.”

**Sean McManus, President, CBS News and Sports** – “Lesley Visser’s career has broken many barriers and defined previously unimagined roles for woman in professional sports and sports broadcasting. She has reached the pinnacle as a writer and a broadcaster, earning trust and respect while maintaining a warmth and style that separates her from all others.”

**Tony Petitti – Executive Vice President and Executive Producer, CBS Sports** – “Lesley Visser’s entire career has been marked by firsts. From being the first woman to host a Super Bowl trophy presentation to the first woman recognized by the Pro Football Hall of Fame, Lesley continues to break through. CBS Sports is proud to have this Hall of Fame first on our team of broadcasters.”

**Ernie Accorsi, New York Giants General Manager** – “Lesley Visser is a pioneer and a ground breaker. She is going down in sports history. Her legacy is secure. Winning the award memorialized by Pete Rozelle is something she will carry for the rest of her life.”

**Dick Stockton, Lesley Visser’s Husband and Fox Sports Announcer** – “I am extremely proud of Lesley particularly because she is being honored by the sport she loves the most. She carries herself with the same class as the long list of indelible names that have gone before her.”

**Jim Nantz, CBS Sports** - “I’m thrilled for Lesley. She continues to break through and achieve in reaching milestones that as recently as a quarter century ago, no one even imagined. It’s nice to see nice people rewarded for their success.”

**John Madden, NBC Sports** – “I have known Lesley for over thirty years starting back when she wrote for the Boston Globe. She is one of the best journalists in the country and there is no one more deserving of his honor.”

**Vince Doria– Vice President and Director of News, ESPN and Visser’s first editor at the Boston Globe** – “Lesley has been the trailblazer for women sports writers all across America. The number of firsts for her are too many to count. Her job has always required aggression and she always did it with grace and flair while at the same time becoming a terrific journalist and making lots of friends. The honor is so well deserved because she opened doors for lots of people, especially women, and she has always had the great ability to give time to people coming into the profession.

**Joe Torre, Manager, New York Yankees** “Lesley Visser doesn't demand respect, she commands it.”

**Boomer Esiason, CBS Sports** – “No one has more passion or is better prepared than Lesley. Athletes both like and respect her.”