What exactly are ‘alternative facts’?

Talking Points
1. What do these cartoons say about a top adviser to President Trump citing “alternative facts” in a dispute over the size of the crowd at the inauguration?
2. Why were the president and his staff attacking news reports about the size of the crowd?
3. Is it an important issue? Why or why not?
4. Who do trust more – politicians or reporters? Why?
5. Where did the quotes in Kevin Siers’ cartoon come from?

Between the lines
“Sean Spicer, our press secretary, gave alternative facts to that.” - Kellyanne Conway, administration
"Alternative facts are not facts. They are falsehoods.” - Chuck Todd, NBC News

Additional resources
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