

# Books by Our Readers

## SPOTLIGHTS

*Managing Disasters through Public-Private Partnerships*  
Ami J. Abou-bakr  
Georgetown University Press

*From the publisher:* The terrorist attacks of September 11, 2001, and Hurricane Katrina in August 2005, generated a great deal of discussion in public policy and disaster management circles about the importance of increasing national resilience to rebound from catastrophic events. Since the majority of physical and virtual networks that the United States relies on are owned and operated by the private sector, a consensus has emerged that public-private partnerships (PPPs) are a crucial aspect of an effective resilience strategy. Significant barriers to cooperation persist, however, despite acknowledgment that public-private collaboration for managing disasters would be mutually beneficial.

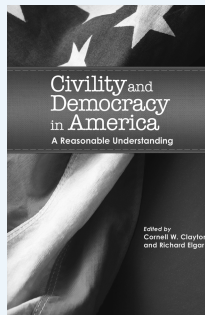


*Managing Disasters through Public-Private Partnerships* constitutes the first in-depth exploration of PPPs as tools of disaster mitigation, preparedness, response, and resilience in the United States. The author assesses the viability of PPPs at the federal level and explains why attempts to develop these partnerships have largely fallen short. The author develops two original frameworks to compare different kinds of PPPs and analyzes the critical factors that make them successes or failures, pointing toward ways to improve collaboration in the future.

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*Civility and Democracy in America: A Reasonable Understanding*  
Washington State University Press  
Cornell Clayton and Richard Elgar, editors

*From the publisher:* Whether taking the form of civil unrest in the Middle East or domestic terrorism in the U.S., zeal and violence are part of society. Although brutality is denounced, less extreme incivility can serve a purpose. As political scientist Cornell Clayton observed, "People who engage in politics in a very passionate, raucous way [are] usually associated with some major transformations taking place in our society."



This new book explores these connections. Comprised of 22 essays by historians, politicians, and activists across a variety of disciplines, *Civility and Democracy in America* had its beginning in March 2011, when two organizations—The Idaho Humanities Council and The Thomas S. Foley Institute for Public Policy and Public Service at Washington State University—brought internationally recognized humanities scholars together. The presenters analyzed the role of civility in democracy from five distinct perspectives: history, religion, architecture, philosophy and ethics, and communication and media. Contributors include professors from 13 major universities as well as a former U.S. Chief Architect, and the editor and vice president of the *Oregonian*.

Cornell Clayton is a professor of political science at Washington State University and co-edits the journal, *Political Research Quarterly*. He has been the director of the Thomas S. Foley Institute for Public Policy and Public Service since 2008. Book co-editor Richard Elgar is the assistant director.

*The Art of the Watchdog: Fighting Fraud, Waste, Abuse and Corruption in Government*  
Daniel L. Feldman and David R. Eichenthal  
State University of New York Press

*The Constitutional Jurisprudence of the Federal Republic of Germany, Third edition*  
Donald P. Kommers and Russell Miller  
Duke University Press

*Constructivist Theories of Ethnic Politics*  
Kanchan Chandra, editor  
Oxford University Press

*The Human Security Agenda: How Middle Power Leadership Defied US Hegemony*  
Ronald M. Behringer  
Continuum (Bloomsbury)

*Learning Democracy and Market Economy in Post-Communist Romania*  
Claudia D. Tufis  
Institutul European

*Lobbying the New President: Interests in Transition*  
Heath Brown  
Routledge

*Moved by Politics: 12 Episodes in an Academic Life*  
Gehard Loewenberg  
Gray Pearl Press

*National Resilience during War: Refining the Decision-Making Model*  
Eyal Lewin  
Lexington Books

*Presidential Term Limits in American History: Power, Principles, and Politics*  
Michael J. Korzi  
Texas A&M Press

*Political and Military Sociology: An Annual Review, Volume 40*  
Neovi M. Karakatsanis and Jonathan Swarts, editors  
Transaction Publishers

*Problems Confronting Contemporary Democracies: Essays in Honor of Alfred Stepan*  
Douglas Chalmers and Scott Mainwaring, editors  
University of Notre Dame Press

*Tales from the Sausage Factory: Making Laws in New York State*  
Daniel L. Feldman and Gerald Benjamin  
State University of New York Press

*A Theory of Public Opinion*  
Francis Graham Wilson  
New introduction by H. Lee Cheek, Jr.  
Transaction Publishers

*The War Game: Studies of the New Civilian Militarists, New Expanded Edition*  
Irving Louis Horowitz  
New Introduction by Howard Schneiderman

*Women and the White House: Gender, Popular Culture, and Presidential Politics*  
Justin S. Vaughn and Lilly J. Goren, editors  
University Press of Kentucky ■