

Books on Policy making

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Public Policy	Models of Democracy	by David Held	2006	A classic look at how democracies and its theorists have defended and despaired at attempts to establish demos kratos (Greek for people power).
Public Policy	The Semisovereign People: A Realist's View of Democracy in America.	by E. E. Schattschneider	1960	Identifies pressure politics and pressure groups as holding a distinctive sway over our modern politics and that "The business or upper-class bias of the pressure system shows up everywhere."
Public Policy	The Populist Vision	Charles Postel	2009	Points out that the engine behind the Populist vision was a series of national cooperatives, run by business savvy entrepreneurs. From small florist shops that came together using the newest technologies to expand their business, to fruit farmers who developed massive marketing coops, the Populists developed a business model that was moving away from self-serving, for-profit corporations to one that looked out for the common good
Public Policy	Interest Groups and Lobbying in the United States	Burdett A. Loomis and Peter L. Francia	2011	Provide a background of how corporate interests have extended their power and influence over all three branches of government and explains the mechanisms they use to do it.
Public Policy	Corporations are not People	by Jeff Clements	2012	Why corporations have more power than people and what we can do about it
Public Policy	Axis of Ideology: Conservative Foundations and Public Policy	Center for Responsive Philanthropy	2004	Details the strategies of these corporate-funded foundations as they launched a new era of right-wing think tanks with a clear pro-corporate agenda of taking over government decision-making.

Public Policy	The Power Elite,	by C. Wright Mills	1956	Outlines the connections between corporate power, the ascendant military and what he called the political directorate
Public Policy	Who Rules America: Challenges to Corporate and Class Domination	G. William Domhoff	1967	One of the original investigation into the powerful corporate interests running our country. Updated on their website http://www2.ucsc.edu/whorulesamerica
Public Policy	Imperial Brain Trust: The Council on Foreign Relations and United States Foreign Policy	by Laurence Shoup and William Minter	1977	a classic analysis of how corporate-funded think tanks revolve their minions in and out of policy-making positions in the US government.
Public Policy	The Abundant Community	John McKnight & Peter Block	2010	Encouraging us to believe in the power of our local communities
Public Policy	Blessed Unrest: How the Largest Social Movement in History Is Restoring Grace, Justice, and Beauty to the World	by Paul Hawken	2007	Details all of the groups around the world leading a global revolution to move on to the next system