Academic Reviews and Comments for
Guide to Interest Groups and Lobbying in the United States

“This comprehensive and foundational work, a ‘thematic analysis of interest groups and lobbying,’ traces the history and development of advocacy groups in the American political system since their inception in the 18th century….While intended as an academic reference source, this volume will appeal to a diverse audience of students, scholars, and interested laypersons alike….Summing Up: Highly recommended.” – David Ettinger, George Washington University, in Choice (December 2011), p. 656.

“The title’s 36 chapters cover a broad range of topics such as the history of interest-group politics, theoretical approaches to the organizations, their involvement with the three branches of government, types of lobbying groups by sector, and lobbying techniques and tactics….Combining both ready reference and narrative information, this guide, as the introduction accurately notes, is a ‘good place to start’ research on this very important topic.” – Donald Altschiller, Boston University, in Library Journal (October 1, 2011), p. 105.

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