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Preface

This is the second *Developments in American Politics* volume. All the chapters are new and, with the exception of the editors and Desmond King, there is a new group of contributors. We have been fortunate in attracting a truly international team of prominent scholars from the United States, Australia, and Great Britain. The editorial team has been greatly strengthened by the addition of Professor B. Guy Peters who has brought his wide range of contacts and scholarly expertise to bear on this project.

As in the last volume, individual authors were asked both to analyze recent developments in American politics, and to review some of the crucial theories and models available for interpreting them. All authors were asked to concentrate on the contemporary American scene, and especially on the impact of the Clinton administration on the politics and policies of the United States.

Writing about the United States using an international team of authors presents certain stylistic problems. As in the previous volume, the editors have decided that spelling should be Americanized throughout to promote consistency. On the other hand, some specifically American usages have been excised. Where appropriate, the party and state of members of Congress have been included. The references to works cited in the chapters are collected together at the end of the book. There is also a short guide to further reading for each of the chapters (on p. 374).

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A.A.R.P.	American Association of Retired Persons
A.B.C.	American Broadcasting Corporation
A.C.I.R.	Advisory Commission on Intergovernmental Relations
A.F.D.C.	Aid to Families with Dependent Children
A.F.L.-C.I.O.	American Federation of Labor—Congress of Industrial Organizations
A.H.P.	Accountable Health Partnership
A.M.A.	American Medical Association
A.P.A.	Administrative Procedures Act
Ark.	Arkansas
bn.	Billion
C.B.S.	Columbia Broadcasting System
C.D.B.G.	Community Development Block Grant
C.E.T.A.	Comprehensive Employment and Training Act
D.	Democrat
D.C.	District of Columbia
D.C.C.C.	Democratic Congressional Campaign Committee
D.N.C.	Democratic National Committee
D.S.C.C.	Democratic Senatorial Campaign Committee
D.O.D.	Department of Defense
D.O.J.	Department of Justice
D.R.G.s	Diagnostic Related Groups
E.E.A.	Economic Equity Act
E.I.S.	Environmental Impact Statement
EMILY	Early Money Increases Like Yeast
E.P.A.	Environmental Protection Agency
E.R.A.	Equal Rights Amendment
F.B.I.	Federal Bureau of Investigation
F.D.A.	Food and Drug Administration
F.D.R.	Franklin Delano Roosevelt
F.E.C.A.	Federal Election Campaign Act
F.Y.	Fiscal Year
G.A.O.	General Accounting Office

G.O.P.	Grand Old Party (Republican Party)
G.R.S.	General Revenue Sharing
G.S.	General Schedule
H.I.A.A.	Health Insurance Association of America
H.I.P.C.	Health Insurance Purchasing Cooperative
H.M.O.s	Health Maintenance Organizations
H.U.D.	Housing and Urban Development
I.G.	Inspector General
Ill.	Illinois
I.N.S.	Immigration and Naturalization Service
L.A.	Los Angeles
Miss.	Mississippi
M.T.V.	Multiple Transferable Vote
N.A.F.T.A.	North American Free Trade Agreement
N.A.S.A.	National American Space Agency
N.B.C.	National Broadcasting Corporation
N.C.P.S.	National Commission on the Public Service
N.E.P.A.	National Environmental Policy Act
N.E.S.	National Election Survey
N.I.H.	National Institutes of Health
N.O.W.	National Organization of Women
N.W.P.C.	National Women's Political Caucus
O.E.C.D.	Organization for Economic Cooperation and Development
P.A.C.	Political Action Committee
P.A.S.	Presidential Appointment [with] Senate Confirmation
P.P.I.	Progressive Policy Institute
P.R.	Proportional Representation
R.	Republican
R.N.C.	Republican National Committee
S.E.S.	Senior Executive Service
S.M.S.P.	Single Member Simple Plurality (First Past the Post)
T.C.O.s	Transnational Criminal Organizations
T.Q.M.	Total Quality Management
U.D.A.G.	Urban Development Action Grant

The United States of America: states and main cities

(excluding Alaska and Hawaii)