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Dollar Democracy: With Liberty And Justice For Some: How To Reclaim The American Dream For All



Synopsis

Big Corporations and their super wealthy owners have bought many American politicians through campaign contributions and lobbying. These politicians have voted to benefit their donors, not the American public. Many American political leaders have made decisions that led to: outsourcing good middle class manufacturing and high tech jobs, dismantling our public education system kindergarten through college and university, deteriorating health care that leaves Americans in danger, sick and broke, destruction and endangering of our environment and lives, polluting of our food supplies through deregulation of Big Agribusiness, pesticide use and the proliferation of Genetically Modified (GMO) foods, the crash of Wall Street and the Great Recession, from which the bottom 99% of Americans have not yet recovered, while the super wealthy top 1% are doing just fine. The Corporate dominated policies of these sponsored politicians have resulted in the greatest gap between the American rich and poor since the Great Depression, and a disappearing middle class. Professor Peter Mathews not only critiques this "Dollar Democracy" which brings Liberty and Justice for Some, but he also provides solutions that will bring Liberty and Justice for All, and will help the bottom 99% of Americans Reclaim the American Dream and make it a Reality once again! These solutions include Clean Money Elections and amending the U.S. Constitution to remove Corporate Personhood and to declare that money is not political speech according to the First Amendment. The Second Edition (2015) contains explosive new material on the Military-Industrial-Congressional Complex and on TPP and TTIP.

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Customer Reviews

Peter Mathews has spent 30 years as a College and University Professor educating people. Born into a family of educators, his father was a university professor and clinical psychologist, and his mother, a teacher. At an early age, Mathews learned the value of human dignity and to cherish education. This has molded his beliefs about the role of government in the world today. Peter Mathews is a professor of Political Science at Cypress College, has taught at California State University, Fullerton, is currently a guest host on KPFK radio 90.7 FM and Political Analyst on KFI radio AM 640 Sunday Morning News. He has served as a Political Analyst on KNBC-TV, KCBS-TV, KTLA-TV, CNN radio, KTLK radio, KPFA and KPFK radio, and as a commentator on KNX News Radio and other venues. His columns have been published in the Long Beach area Press Telegram, online Orange County Register, and Random Lengths News. Having lived, traveled, taught and conducted research in 27 countries such as Britain, France, Denmark, Germany, Canada, Nicaragua, Costa Rica, India and elsewhere, Mathews has first-hand knowledge of public policy issues such as healthcare, education, economic development, and international relations, and environmental sustainability in these and other societies. Peter Mathews was the Democratic Party Nominee for the U.S. Congress in 1998 and ran a close race in the Long Beach based district. Peter Mathews moved to Los Angeles County in 1979 and has been a resident and homeowner in Long Beach for 21 years, where he lives with his wife Toya Baker-Mathews and daughter Page.

I use this book every semester in my English composition courses. Students love the style in which the book is written ("it's like someone is just talking to you about the issues") and they appreciate the information Mathews presents in each chapter. Students relate in some way to each chapter of the book and often choose one or more to "jump start" their research for that ever famous ten-page paper.

Peter Matthews wrote the must read book about how corporate money is destroying democracy. He is active on Facebook with amazing interviews that illustrate what his authoritative book explains. It is basic. Politicians are bought by donors. The politician listens carefully to his or her corporate sponsor and pretty much ignores the people who elect him. It has gotten worse since the Citizen's United Decision by the Supreme Court. There is another aspect to it. Both parties are sought by the big banks, drug companies, oil companies and media empires. For many corporations lobbying is just a small cost of doing business. If you have not read Matthews' book yet, you are missing the key to the problem and the sure solution. This is especially vital in our volatile political times.

Peter Mathews is a straightforward No Holds Barred.... factual author a professor of political science who cares deeply about the current political world we live in! this book is definitely worth your time.... buy it and be informed on what's Happening in our political system and why.

A very clear description of the current situation wherein the corporate plutocracy has taken complete control of the political process as well as some excellent ideas about what can be done to start to reverse this disastrous situation.

Awesome book. Very insightful. Answers a lot of question presented in society today with hard facts hard to refute

I purchased book for my father. He said it was an eye opener. Lots of good information.

Very relevant, practical.

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