

Contents

List of Tables	ix
List of Figures	xi
Acknowledgments	xv
1 The State of the Parties: Change and Continuity in 2012 <i>Daniel J. Coffey, David B. Cohen, and John C. Green</i>	1
Part I: Polarization and the Electorate	
2 Partisan Nation: The Rise of Affective Partisanship in the American Electorate <i>Alan I. Abramowitz</i>	21
3 Political Identity and Party Polarization in the American Electorate <i>David C. Kimball, Bryce Summary, and Eric C. Vorst</i>	37
4 Why American Political Parties Can't Get Beyond the Left-Right Divide <i>Edward G. Carmines, Michael J. Ensley, and Michael W. Wagner</i>	55
5 A Perfect Storm: Presidential-House Elections, Policy, and Congressional Polarization <i>Jeffrey M. Stonecash</i>	73

Part II: Polarization and Political Elites

- | | | |
|---|---|-----|
| 6 | Partisan, Polarized, Yet Not Dysfunctional?
<i>William F. Connelly Jr.</i> | 89 |
| 7 | Are These Boots Made for Walking? Polarization and Ideological
Change among U.S. House Members
<i>Michael J. Ensley, Michael W. Tofias, and Scott de Marchi</i> | 107 |
| 8 | Party Polarization in America's State Legislatures: An Update
<i>Boris Shor</i> | 121 |
| 9 | Federal Parties and Polarization
<i>Daniel J. Coffey</i> | 137 |

Part III: Tea Party Politics

- | | | |
|----|--|-----|
| 10 | The Tea Party, Republican Factionalism, and the 2012 Election
<i>Ronald B. Rapoport, Meredith Dost, and Walter J. Stone</i> | 157 |
| 11 | The Divided Republicans? Tea Party Supporters, Establishment
Republicans, and Social Networks
<i>Peter L. Francia and Jonathan S. Morris</i> | 175 |
| 12 | Allies and Antagonists: The Tea Party Impact on the
Republican Party
<i>William J. Miller and Michael John Burton</i> | 191 |

Part IV: Super PACs and Partisan Resources

- | | | |
|----|---|-----|
| 13 | Political Party Activity in the 2012 Elections: Sophisticated
Orchestration or Diminished Influence?
<i>Diana Dwyre and Robin Kolodny</i> | 207 |
| 14 | Classifying Super PACs
<i>David B. Magleby</i> | 231 |
| 15 | The Ground Game from the Voter's Perspective: 2012
and Before
<i>Paul A. Beck and Erik Heidemann</i> | 251 |

Part V: Partisan Activities

- | | | |
|----|--|-----|
| 16 | Republicans and Reform: The 2012 Presidential
Nomination Rules
<i>Caitlin E. Jewitt</i> | 273 |
| 17 | Changes in Local Party Structure and Activity, 1980–2008
<i>Douglas D. Roscoe and Shannon Jenkins</i> | 287 |

18	Separated We Stand? The Impact of Ideological Sorting on Local Party Dynamics <i>Daniel M. Shea</i>	303
19	A Report from Mahoning County: Consequences and Causes of Local Party Endorsements <i>William C. Binning, Melanie J. Blumberg, and John C. Green</i>	323
	References	339
	Index	369
	About the Contributors	389