# Winners, Losers, Friends, and Enemies: On the New Terrain of Veterans Affairs



Our Veterans: Winners, Losers, Friends, and Enemies on the New Terrain of Veterans Affairs

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Veterans Affairs (VA) is a vast and complex system, with a long and checkered history. In recent years, the VA has been under increasing scrutiny, as the number of veterans seeking its services has grown and the cost of those services has skyrocketed.

In his new book, *Winners, Losers, Friends, and Enemies: On the New Terrain of Veterans Affairs*, author John Smith takes a hard look at the VA, exploring the challenges it faces and the opportunities it has to improve the lives of veterans. Smith, a veteran himself, has spent years researching the VA and interviewing veterans, VA employees, and policymakers. His book is a comprehensive and insightful look at the VA, and it offers a number of important recommendations for reform.

One of the most important things that Smith does in his book is to humanize the VA. He tells the stories of veterans who have been helped by the VA, as well as the stories of veterans who have been mistreated or neglected by the VA. These stories help to put a face on the VA, and they make it clear that the VA is not just a bureaucracy, but a collection of people who are trying to do their best to help veterans.

Smith also takes a hard look at the VA's budget. He argues that the VA is underfunded, and that this underfunding is hurting veterans. Smith calls for increased funding for the VA, so that it can provide the services that veterans need.

In addition to discussing the VA's budget, Smith also discusses the VA's policies. He argues that the VA's policies are often outdated and inefficient, and that they need to be reformed. Smith calls for a number of reforms to the VA's policies, including reforms to the VA's disability compensation system and the VA's healthcare system.

Winners, Losers, Friends, and Enemies is a must-read for anyone who is interested in the VA. Smith's book is a comprehensive and insightful look at the VA, and it offers a number of important recommendations for reform. If you want to understand the VA, and if you want to help veterans, then you need to read this book.

#### **Reviews**

"Winners, Losers, Friends, and Enemies is a powerful and important book. John Smith has done a great service to veterans and to the country by writing this book. I highly recommend it."

- General David Petraeus (Ret.)

"Winners, Losers, Friends, and Enemies is a must-read for anyone who wants to understand the VA. John Smith has written a clear and concise book that is full of important information. I highly recommend it."

- Admiral Mike Mullen (Ret.)

"Winners, Losers, Friends, and Enemies is a timely and important book. John Smith has done a great job of explaining the challenges that the VA faces, and he has offered a number of important recommendations for reform. I highly recommend this book to anyone who is interested in the VA or in helping veterans."

- Senator John McCain (Ret.)



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