

1. Record Nr.	UNINA9910781535203321
Autore	Kabaservice Geoffrey M
Titolo	Rule and ruin [[electronic resource] ] : the downfall of moderation and the destruction of the Republican Party, from Eisenhower to the Tea Party // Geoffrey Kabaservice
Pubbl/distr/stampa	Oxford ; ; New York, : Oxford University Press, 2012
ISBN	0-19-991290-4 1-283-42808-3 9786613428080 0-19-992113-X
Descrizione fisica	1 online resource (505 p.)
Collana	Studies in postwar American political development
Disciplina	324.2734
Soggetti	United States Politics and government 1945-1989 United States Politics and government 1989-
Lingua di pubblicazione	Inglese
Formato	Materiale a stampa
Livello bibliografico	Monografia
Note generali	Description based upon print version of record.
Nota di bibliografia	Includes bibliographical references and index.
Nota di contenuto	Cover; Contents; Acknowledgments; Preface; 1. THE WIDENING GYRE: The Republican Party at the 1960 Convention; 2. THINGS FALL APART: Advance Magazine and the Decay of the Moderate Establishment, 1961-63; 3. THE CENTER CANNOT HOLD: The Republican Primaries of 1964; 4. THE BLOOD-DIMMED TIDE IS LOOSED: The GOP and the Goldwater Campaign, 1964; 5. THE CEREMONY OF INNOCENCE IS DROWNED: Moderates Attempt to Regain Control of the GOP, 1965; 6. FULL OF PASSIONATE INTENSITY: From Rat Finks to Reagan, 1966; 7. THE BEST LACK ALL CONVICTION: Moderation's Zenith and George Romney's Rise and Fall, 1967 8. MERE ANARCHY: Moderate Half-Victories and the Agonies of 19689. SOME REVELATION IS AT HAND: Richard Nixon's First Year in Office, 1969; 10. THE ROUGH BEAST: Nixon and the Breakup of the Moderate Republican Movement, 1970; 11. DARKNESS DROPS: Moderate Republican Decline from Nixon to Ford to Reagan, 1971-80; 12. SLOUCHING TOWARD BETHLEHEM: The Collapse of the Moderate Republicans, 1980-2010; Conclusion; Notes; Select Bibliography; Index; A; B; C; D; E; F; G; H; I; J; K; L; M; N; O; P; Q; R; S; T; U; V; W; Y; Z

## Sommario/riassunto

As the 2012 elections approach, the Republican Party is rocketing rightward away from the center of public opinion. Republicans in Congress threaten to shut down the government and force a U.S. debt default. Tea Party activists mount primary challenges against Republican officeholders who appear to exhibit too much pragmatism or independence. Moderation and compromise are dirty words in the Republican presidential debates. The GOP, it seems, has suddenly become a party of ideological purity. Except this development is not new at all. In *Rule and Ruin*, Geoffrey Kabaservice reveals that the mode

---