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sudden devastation. This book will provide a different view of the FDIC and other bank regulators. Readers will see: How an agency that had become almost invisible would emerge as a major and highly independent force impacting U.S. financial markets. How nine FDIC Chairmen, each with different strengths and weaknesses, helped shape the FDIC and the U.S. financial regulatory system. How conflicts between the FDIC and other financial regulatory agencies unfolded amid the pressures and challenges associated with bank failures and financial crises. This book dives into the chaos surrounding bank failures to show firsthand what happens to those individuals and businesses caught in the storm"--
