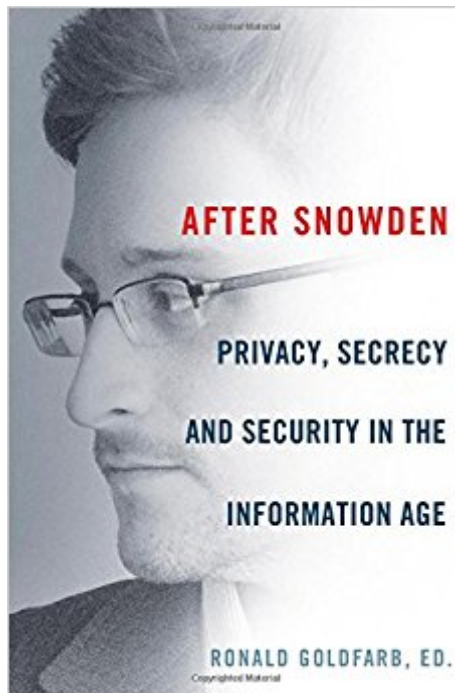




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# **After Snowden: Privacy, Secrecy, And Security In The Information Age**



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Was Edward Snowden a patriot or a traitor? Just how far do American privacy rights extend? And how far is too far when it comes to government secrecy in the name of security? These are just a few of the questions that have dominated American consciousness since Edward Snowden exposed the breath of the NSA's domestic surveillance program. In these seven previously unpublished essays, a group of prominent legal and political experts delve in to life After Snowden, examining the ramifications of the infamous leak from multiple angles: [Washington lawyer and literary agent RONALD GOLDFARB](#) acts as the book's editor and provides an introduction outlining the many debates sparked by the Snowden leaks. [Pulitzer Prize winning journalist BARRY SIEGEL](#) analyses the role of the state secrets provision in the judicial system. [Former Assistant Secretary of State HODDING CARTER](#) explores whether the press is justified in unearthing and publishing classified information. [Ethics expert and dean of the UC Berkley School of Journalism EDWARD WASSERMAN](#) discusses the uneven relationship between journalists and whistleblowers. [Georgetown Law Professor DAVID COLE](#) addresses the motives and complicated legacy of Snowden and other leakers. [Director of the National Security Archive THOMAS BLANTON](#) looks at the impact of the Snowden leaks on the classification of government documents. [Dean of the University of Florida Law School JON MILLS](#) addresses the constitutional right to privacy and the difficulties of applying it in the digital age.

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Excellent articles. Good information on a person who hasn't been covered as well as one would think in the media. Just what we needed for an assigned school research project.

The writing and publication of this seminal book, just at the time when Congress is debating changes to the Patriot Act, political figures are commenting on Snowden's revelations, and the public is outraged over the loss of privacy, shows impeccable timing. Reading it was a civics lesson on the relationships between the branches of our government: legislative, executive, judicial and the importance of the press. It should be required reading in colleges.

I really found this collection of essays fascinating. Each had cogent arguments and well crafted points. I had recently watched the Oscar Winning Documentary which made this even more interesting as I had just that little bit of extra background on the players. I think I would recommend this to several of our book discussion groups, as I certainly wanted to talk about the opinions and facts raised in these essays.\*I received my copy through NetGalley.com in exchange for an honest review.

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