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SENATOR JOE MANCHIN'S MEMOIR
DEAD CENTER: IN DEFENSE OF COMMON SENSE
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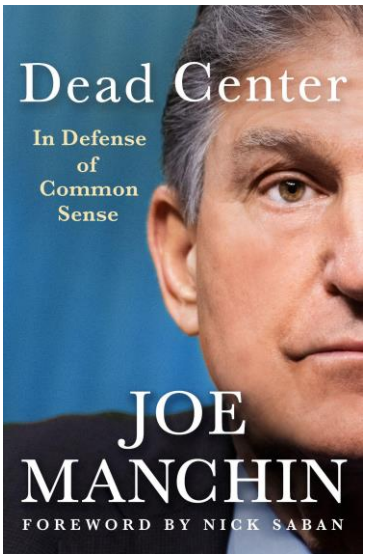
Featuring a Foreword by Coach Nick Saban, Manchin's Lifelong Friend



(New York, NY – April 8, 2025) – It was announced today that Senator Joe Manchin III will publish **DEAD CENTER: In Defense of Common Sense**, with St. Martin's Press on **September 16, 2025**. St. Martin's Publishing Group SVP, Editor in Chief George Witte acquired North American publishing rights from David Larabell at CAA. The book will be available in hardcover, ebook, and audio formats.

DEAD CENTER is memoir--and a manifesto--like no other, by a true maverick in American politics. It features a foreword by Coach Nick Saban, Manchin's childhood and lifelong friend.

From the coal fields of Farmington, West Virginia, to the U.S. Senate, Joe Manchin has never wavered from his belief in fiscal responsibility, being socially compassionate, and putting country before party. Manchin reflects on the pivotal moments, tough decisions, and core values that have shaped him as a person and a public servant.

In this revealing and entertaining memoir, Senator Manchin combines eyebrow-raising, never-before-told stories from inside the Senate and the White House with insights into how

government does—or doesn't —work. Manchin offers a path forward from our polarized political gridlock to governance based on what our American founders practiced: Common Sense.

DEAD CENTER is built around Manchin's **Rules of the Road**—a personal code forged through hard-earned lessons in life, business, and government and rooted in the simple truth that we are all a product of our environment: where we were raised, how we were raised, and who raised us.

Joe Manchin stated, "This is my declaration of independence from the extremes on both sides, but it is more than that. I believe successful leadership in any arena is about understanding the art and science of collaboration and compromise, civility and respect, negotiations and solutions. Leaders should be positive change agents and bring people and organizations together rather than drive them apart."

George Witte adds, "Joe Manchin is a storyteller like no other, and DEAD CENTER brings you up close and personal with candor, wit, emotion, and insight."

Senator Joseph Manchin served as a United States senator from West Virginia from 2010 to 2025. Born in Farmington, West Virginia, Manchin entered politics in 1982 as a member of his state's House of Delegates. After working his way up in state politics, he was elected as the governor of West Virginia in 2004 and 2008. Since retiring from the Senate, he is now focused on elevating commonsense leadership and promoting better political literacy across the country.

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