

# Bureaucratic Politics

## Searching Techniques:

When you are searching for information on your topics, one possible search strategy: combine keywords with agency name or a specific issue with agency name (e.g., lobbyists and usda)

Possible Keywords:

- Unions
- Interest groups
- Lobbyists
- President
- Politics
- Pressure
- Regulations or regulatory

The more specific the better; once you know that a certain industry group or association is lobbying heavily on an issue, use that specific information in your searching (e.g., AARP and FDA).

## Research Guides:

Two Research Guides that may help you are on the library's webpage. Go to the library's homepage, click on *Government Documents*, then *Research Guides*. There you'll find guides for **Special Interest Groups** and **Politics in the News**.

## Books:

*Ignacio* has holding for USF  
*Link+* for 30 more libraries  
*Melvyl* for the entire UC system

## Databases:

- a. ProQuest (*has many trade publications*)
- b. Congressional Quarterly Weekly Report (*not a government publication; writes about government issues and agencies*)
- c. PAIS (*a public affairs database*)
- d. LexisNexis Congressional (*good for getting congressional hearings*)
- e. LexisNexis Academic (*in addition to general news sources, has a file for searching transcripts of news programs*)
- f. National Journal (*can be searched in ProQuest Research Library; often seen as an insiders publication*)