Civility Lost
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Civility Lost: the Media, Politics & Education is the title of the upcoming book (Rowman and Littlefield, 2/2019) by educator, leadership expert and author George Goens. Goens states: The U.S. is undergoing serious splintering that threatens, not only relationships, but also politics and society. Divisions are emphasized. Disagreements turn into name-calling and castigating. Issues are sharply painted in right or wrong, ethical and unethical, intelligent or unenlightened colors.

Civility Lost explores principles and expectations for a democratic society, and how differences can be approached civilly to explore and define solutions. Citizens must engage in respectful conversations to build greater understanding. Differences are inevitable in a democratic republic by its very nature. Civility is essential for citizens to engage in self-government.

A few topics that are specifically addressed in Civility Lost:

• The Bedrock of Democracy: Public Education
• Reason & Truth
• Media & Political Parties
• Thinking & Civil Dialogue

Goens begins with how America has become disunited and concludes with what is needed for the foundation of a civil society.

George A. Goens, Ph.D. is a prominent author, dynamic leader, recognized educator, and featured speaker. George has worked with public and private sector organizations on leadership selection, development, and assessment. Because of his experience and perspective, he has presented seminars and workshops on leadership and educational reform for regional, state, and national organizations and for school districts across the country.

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