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Six ABC-CLIO Titles Chosen by Reference Experts for RUSA Annual Outstanding Reference Sources List

ABC-CLIO is the only publisher honored with multiple titles
selected to Outstanding Reference Sources List

Santa Barbara, Calif. (January 26, 2017) – Six recent ABC-CLIO reference publications—spanning subject areas as diverse as gun politics, youth culture, voting behavior, fashion, miracles, and geography and world culture—have been recognized by The Reference & User Services Association (RUSA), a division of the American Library Association (ALA), on its annual Outstanding Reference Sources List.

ABC-CLIO's representation on the 2017 Outstanding Reference Sources List—which RUSA defines as “the most outstanding reference publications published the previous year for small and medium-sized public and academic libraries”—is truly remarkable. Of the 11 titles honored, six are ABC-CLIO publications, and ABC-CLIO is the only publisher to appear on the list multiple times.

“We take great pride in our role as leaders in the reference and history fields,” said Becky Snyder, ABC-CLIO President, following the award announcements at RUSA's annual Book & Media Awards Ceremony at ALA's Midwinter Meeting in Atlanta, GA. “Each and every award serves as a reminder to us of the value of our work and a testament to the caliber of research content that we're contributing to library collections.”

The 2017 Outstanding Reference Sources List marks more than a decade of annual honors for ABC-CLIO from RUSA. In addition to its recognized excellence in reference publishing, ABC-CLIO has garnered a host of respected industry awards for its online history research and curriculum suite, [ABC-CLIO Solutions](#), and is expanding its role in the education community with the upcoming release of History Hub, an open-source support site for social studies teachers and teacher-librarians.

The new RUSA award-winning titles, available for direct purchase at abc-clio.com or through any major distributor, are as follows:

The 21st-Century Voter: Who Votes, How They Vote, and Why They Vote

Guido H. Stempel III and Thomas K. Hargrove, Editors (ABC-CLIO)

Gun Politics in America: Historical and Modern Documents in Context

Harry L. Wilson (ABC-CLIO)

Youth Cultures in America

Simon J. Bronner and Cindy Dell Clark, Editors (Greenwood)

Miracles: An Encyclopedia of People, Places, and Supernatural Events from Antiquity to the Present

Patrick J. Hayes, Editor (ABC-CLIO)

Clothing and Fashion: American Fashion from Head to Toe

José Blanco F., Mary D. Doering, Patricia Hunt-Hurst, and Heather Vaughan Lee, Editors (ABC-CLIO)

Africa: An Encyclopedia of Culture and Society

Toyin Falola and Daniel Jean-Jacques, Editors (ABC-CLIO)

In addition, ABC-CLIO's *The Persian Empire: A Historical Encyclopedia* was named on RUSA's Annual list of Best Historical Materials selected by history experts.

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