

Preside or Lead?

The Attributes and Actions of Effective Regulators

8. Respectful



The effective regulator establishes a public interest polestar, a centrifugal force that draws private interests toward the common good. The alternatives are divisiveness, provincialism, and zerosumsmanship.

In this effort, what is the role of respect? . . . What are the benefits of this respect, what do we lose by its absence, and how can a regulator encourage and sustain it?

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