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Review

“Povich’s memoir of the tortuous, landmark battle that paved the way for a generation of female writers and editors is illuminating in its details [and] casts valuable perspective on a trail-blazing case that shouldn’t be forgotten.”

American Journalism Review

“[Povich] strikes a fair tone, neither naïve nor sanctimonious.... Among her achievements is a complex portrait of Newsweek Editor Osborn Elliott and his path from defensive adversary to understanding ally.”

Liesl Schillinger, New York Times

“Women still have a long way to go, the journalist Lynn Povich rousingly reminds readers in *The Good Girls Revolt*, her fascinating (and long overdue) history of the class-action lawsuit undertaken by four dozen female researchers and underlings at *Newsweek* magazine four decades ago.... If ever a book could remind women to keep their white gloves off and to keep fighting the good fight, this is the one.”

Washingtonian

“Crisp, revealing.... [A] taut, firsthand account of how a group of razor-sharp, courageous women successfully fought back against institutional sexism at one of the country’s most esteemed publications.”

Gloria Steinem

"*The Good Girls Revolt* is as compelling as any novel, and also an accurate, intimate history of new women journalists invading the male journalistic world of the 1970s. Lynn Povich turns this epic revolt into a lesson on why and how we've just begun."

Jeannette Walls

“A meticulously reported and highly readable account of a pivotal time in the women’s movement.”

Kirkus

“Povich’s in-depth research, narrative skills and eyewitness observations provide an entertaining and edifying look at a pivotal event in women’s history.”

New York Times

“The personal and the political are deftly interwoven in the fast-moving narrative.... *The Good Girls Revolt* has many timely lessons for working women who are concerned about discrimination today....But this sparkling, informative book may help move these goals a tiny bit closer.”

Boston Globe

“Solidly researched and should interest readers who care about feminist history and how gender issues play out in the culture.”

Macleans

About the Author

Lynn Povich began her career at *Newsweek* as a secretary. In 1975 she became the first woman senior editor in the magazine's history. Since leaving *Newsweek* in 1991, Povich has been editor-in-chief of *Working Woman* magazine and managing editor/senior executive producer for MSNBC.Com. Winner of the prestigious Matrix Award, Povich edited a book of columns by her father, famed *Washington Post* sports journalist Shirley Povich. She is married to Stephen Shepard, former editor-in-chief of *Business Week* and founding dean of the CUNY Graduate School of Journalism. They have two children.

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