The Politics of Privatization

Wealth and Power in Postcommunist Europe

John A. Gould
## Contents

**Acknowledgments** vii

1 Introduction 1

2 The Command Economy and Its Legacies 11

3 Postcommunist Privatization and Politics 29


5 The Politics of Privatization in the Czech Republic 81

6 The Politics of Privatization in Slovakia 103

7 Postprivatization Entrepreneurs and the Political Economy of Ukraine 133

8 The Political Economy of Regime Change in Serbia, Georgia, and Azerbaijan 165

9 Beyond Creating Owners 183

*List of Acronyms* 189

*Endnotes* 191

*Bibliography* 209

*Index* 229

*About the Book* 247