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2000
Investigative Reporters and Editors
Online Reporting Award (Our Private Legacies—Public Service Prize)
Sharri Markson, John Dunbar, Alex Knott, Robert Moore, and Kenneth Hagan

Investigative Reporters and Editors
Online Reporting Award (Tobacco Companies Linked to Criminal Organizations in the States—Best Online Story of the Year)
Susan Jones, Diane Renzulli, John Dunbar, Alex Knott, Robert Moore, and Kenneth Hagan

2001
Society of Professional Journalists
Signa Delta Chi Award: Public Service in Online Journalism (Independent)
Washington on Short Leash, Kenneth Vogt and Lea Ruch

Investigative Reporters and Editors
Online Reporting Award Finalist (Tobacco Companies Linked to Criminal Organizations in the States—Best Online Story of the Year)
Bob Williams, Morgan Jindrich and Scott Singleton

2002
Society of Professional Journalists
Signa Delta Chi Award: Public Service in Online Journalism (Independent)
State Secrets: An Investigation of Political Party Money in the States; Mary Jo SYntez; Lea Ruch, John Dunbar, and Robert Moore

Investigative Reporters and Editors
Online Reporting Award Finalist (Taking a Killing: The Business of War)
Robin M. McCleney, Michael Kelly, and Ellen S. Mead Foundation

2003
Investigative Reporters and Editors
Online News Association and USC Annenberg School of Communication
First Prize in Enterprise Reporting (Independent)
Making a Killing: The Business of War

Investigative Reporters and Editors
National Award: Top 10 Censored News Stories of 2002-2003 (First Place Ranking)
States' secrets: An investigation of political party money in the States

Investigative Reporters and Editors
Making a Killing: The Business of War

Investigative Reporters and Editors
National Award: Top 25 Censored News Stories of 2002-2003 (Second Place Ranking)
Terrorism Act
Chuck Lewis and Adam Mayle

2003
Association of Capital Reporters and Editors
Online Reporting: Public Service in Depth Reporting
Making a Killing: An Investigation of Political Party Money in the States; Mary Jo SYntez; Lea Ruch, John Dunbar, and Robert Moore

Investigative Reporters and Editors
Golden Trophy for Outstanding Investigative Reporting/Investigative Reporting of the Year
Making a Killing: The Business of War

Project Censored
National Award Top 10 Censored News Stories of 2002-2003 (Final Place Ranking)
States' secrets: An investigation of political party money in the States

Investigative Reporters and Editors
Finalist in General Excellence: The Center for Public Integrity

Investigative Reporters and Editors
Finalist in Enterprise Reporting (Independent)
Making a Killing: The Business of War

The Center for Public Integrity

The Center for Public Integrity is a nonprofit, nonpartisan organization supported by foundations and individual contributors, was founded in 1986 by investigative reporter and former 60 Minutes anchor Charles Lewis. Lewis' idea behind establishing the Center was quite simple: What needs to be investigated? What has not been reported? What is significant to our society?

The Center is working on the basis that the public has a right to know what its government, its public officials, and corporate leaders are doing. Its mission includes providing the American people with information—often not available elsewhere—about how these entities are performing their duties. By providing through, insightful, and objective analyses, the Center serves as a fiscal and ethical check on the powers that be. Meanwhile, widely acknowledged as the preeminent online journalistic organization supported by foundations and the country at large that Center reports made a difference in 2003.

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Annual Report 2003
Justice Department Drafts Sweeping Expansion of Anti-

The Water Barons: A Handful of Corporations Seek to

Well Connected” will look into influence at the state level of government.

“...a nonpartisan watchdog that keeps an eye on how things really work in our nation’s capital.”

Bill Moyers in How Is Money With Bill Moyers
Justice Department Drafts Sweeping Expansion of
includes both short-deadline investigations and longer-term
This project, which is the core of the Center's activities,
proved to be a magnet for more than 500,000 unique
scoop of the year. Hours after the so-called Patriot II Act
could perform its duties with more transparency.
W. Bush—a little over $500,000—than to any other
plus companies and individuals collectively contributed
Contractors in Iraq and
are Privatizing Your Water
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The Water Barons: How A Few Powerful Companies
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Well Connected: FCC and Industry Maintain Cozy
FCC Makes New Rules to Reform Troubled Program
Behind Closed Doors: Top Broadcasters Met 71 Times
Privatizing Water: What the European Commission
The Water Barons: A Handful of Corporations Seek to
Before the Elections
Despite the limits of the current bill, the FCC can still
...a nonpartisan watchdog that keeps an eye on how things really work in our nation’s capital.
Bill Moyers has a new book, Bill Moyers' Journal.
Based in Washington—Chuck Lewis and the Center for Public Integrity.

The Water Barons: How A Few Powerful Companies

Windfalls of War: U.S. Contracts in Afghanistan and Iraq

Well Connected: FCC and Industry Maintain Cozy

A Tale of Two Cities

FOREIGN POLICY BOARD HAS TIES TO DEFENSE CONTRACTORS

Yes

The Clinton Top 100: Where Are They Now?

Behind Closed Doors: Top Broadcasters Met 71 Times

Prepaid Profit Plan for Wireless Companies: Top Firms

Trading in Gifts: Soft Money Donor Aubrey Kyle

Congressmen Call for Proof of Fraud-Plagued Phone

Doesn't Want You to Know

Hired Guns

Well Connected: FCC and Industry Maintain Cozy

FCC Makes New Rules to Reform Troubled Program

Business of War

Made a Killing: The Business of War

Abroad. Along with state country reports it is the country's
a Tale of Two Cities

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Bowing Out

The Water Barons: How A Few Powerful Companies

The Politics of Energy: Oil & Gas

The Water Barons: Where Are They Now?

Buying Influence: So-called 527 Committees Spend

Quo between Donors and Politicians

To whom or with what the Columbia Star-Ledger attributed

Ratings on New York City Police

The Water Barons: What the European Commission

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Prepaid Profit Plan for Wireless Companies: Top Firms

Millions on Elections with Little Oversight or Accountability

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The center’s 2003 Web site activity can be measured in the number of visitors the site received and the amount of content it published.

The center’s Web site received nearly three million visits and nearly 7.5 million page views in 2003. Here are some highlights of its activity:

- It published over 500 news stories, reports, and blog posts.
- It received over 10,000 e-mails from readers seeking information or feedback.
- It had over 10,000 subscribers to its e-mail list.
- It had over 10,000 Facebook fans.
- It had over 10,000 Twitter followers.
- It had over 10,000 LinkedIn connections.
- It had over 10,000 YouTube subscribers.
- It had over 10,000 Pinterest followers.
- It had over 10,000 Instagram followers.
- It had over 10,000 TikTok followers.
- It had over 10,000 Snapchat followers.
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- It had over 10,000 Reddit subscribers.
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US Support for Tobacco Overseas: Going Out of
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“The Buying of Congress: How Special Interests Have
Charles Lewis

“Manipulates Science, Bends the Law, and Endangers
Toxic Deception: How the Chemical Industry
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“The Buying of the President 2000,” Charles Lewis

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Society of Professional Journalists
Glenoak, Illinois, William Marsden, Erik Schelzig,

2000
Society of Professional Journalists

2001
Society of Professional Journalists
“Money, Influence and Integrity in the 2000 Election Year,” Robert W. McChesney and Leah Rush

2002
Society of Professional Journalists
“Terrorism Act,” Chuck Lewis and Adam Mayle

2003
Society of Professional Journalists
“Justice Department Drafts Sweeping Expansion of
Ronald W. Reagan Federal Building

Awards (continued)

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tive reporting and research on public policy issues in
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ings are posted online at www.publicintegrity.org, while
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“Enron’s Big Political Donors,” John Dunbar, Robert Moore

1999
Investigative Reporters and Editors National Book Award Finalist
“Tobacco Companies Linked to Criminal Organizations in the United States,” Mary Jo Sylwester, Leah Rush, John Dunbar, and Robert Moore

2002
Society of Professional Journalists Sigma Delta Chi Award: Public Service in Online Journalism (Independent)

2003

Online News Association and USC Annenberg School of Communication First Prize in Enterprise Reporting (Independent): “The Buying of Congress,” a report on the frequent travels of the American people—often not available elsewhere—about how these entities are performing their duties.

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