

Bio
Alan Ehrenhalt

Alan Ehrenhalt has served as executive editor of GOVERNING since 1991. He started at GOVERNING in 1988 as political editor and served as deputy editor before taking on his current role. Prior to joining GOVERNING, Ehrenhalt's professional career included stints with Associated Press, The Washington Star, and Congressional Quarterly.

Ehrenhalt is also a contributor to the New York Times Book Review and op-ed page, the Washington Post Book World, and the Wall Street Journal. He is the author of three books: The United States of Ambition, published in 1991, The Lost City, published in 1995, and Democracy in the Mirror, published in 1999. He was the creator and editor of the first four editions of Politics in America, a biennial reference book profiling all 535 members of Congress.

Ehrenhalt is a 1968 graduate of Brandeis University and holds an MS in journalism from Columbia. He was a Nieman Fellow at Harvard from 1977-1978; a Visiting Scholar at the University of California, Berkeley, in 1987-1988; a Regents' Lecturer at UCLA in 2006; and is an adjunct faculty member at the Jepson School of Leadership Studies, at the University of Richmond. In 2000, he was the winner of the American Political Science Association's McWilliams award for distinguished contributions to the field of political science by a journalist. In 2007 he received the Donald Stone award from the American Society for Public Administration, for contributions to the field of intergovernmental management.

He is married, has two daughters, and lives in Arlington Va.