



Richard E. Wainerdi and the Texas Medical Center (Kenneth E. Montague Series in Oil and Business History)

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Texas A&M University Press. Hardcover. Condition: New. 256 pages. In 2012, Richard E. Wainerdi retired as president and chief executive officer of the Texas Medical Center after almost three decades at the helm. During his tenure, Wainerdi oversaw the expansion of the center into the worlds largest medical complex, hosting more than fifty separate institutions. I wasnt playing any of the instruments, but its been a privilege being the conductor, he once said to a newspaper reporter. William Henry Kellar traces Wainerdis remarkable life story from a bookish childhood in the Bronx to a bold move west to study petroleum engineering at the University of Oklahoma. Wainerdi went on to earn a masters degree and a PhD from Penn State University where he immersed himself in nuclear engineering. By the late 1950s, Texas A and M University recruited Wainerdi to found the Nuclear Science Center, where he also served as professor and later associate vice president for academic affairs. In the 1980s, Wainerdi took charge of the Texas Medical Center, embarking on a second career that ultimately expanded the center from thirty-one institutions to fifty-three and increased its size threefold. Wainerdi pushed for and ensured a culture of collaboration and...



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