

Biography of Joan Mooney Principal Deputy Assistant Secretary Policy, Management and Budget

Joan M. Mooney serves Principal Deputy Assistant Secretary for Policy, Management and Budget (PMB) exercising delegated authorities of Assistant Secretary PMB. As President & CEO of The Faith & Politics Institute from 2015-2022, Mooney worked closely with lawmakers, federal officials and Board Chair Emeritus Congressman John Lewis at the intersection of their values and public service to advance constructive collaboration. In 2020, Mooney established the Institute's John Robert Lewis Scholars & Fellows Program in his memory.

From 2009-2014, she served as Assistant Secretary of Veterans Affairs for Congressional and Legislative Affairs, leading Congressional efforts to secure significant increases in agency funding for veterans and execution of programming. Mooney also served as a Congressional Chief of Staff, including for an Oregon member of Congress from 1997-2009.

She earned a BA in Government & Politics from George Mason University and Master of Applied Positive Psychology from the University of Pennsylvania.