



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

Joan M. Mooney serves as the Principal Deputy Assistant Secretary for Policy, Management and Budget (PMB) exercising delegated authorities of Assistant Secretary PMB. In this role, she is responsible for overseeing a variety of cross-cutting management and operational offices, including budget and finance, public safety and emergency management, human capital, and administrative services. She served as the Secretary's designee to the Wildland Fire Mitigation and Management Commission, which developed a set of recommendations to Congress to strengthen the Nation's response to the wildland fire crisis.

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.