

## Ann M. Harkins Biography

In September of 2009, Ann M. Harkins, Esq. became the President and Chief Executive Officer of the non-profit National Crime Prevention Council (NCPC). NCPC symbolized by McGruff The Crime Dog<sup>®</sup> and his signature “Take A Bite Out Of Crime<sup>®</sup>” slogan, conducts public education training, technical assistance and manages public service advertising to help people keep themselves, their families' and their communities safe from crime.

Prior to this role, Ms. Harkins served as the Vice President and Chief Operating Officer overseeing the day-to-day operations of the National Crime Prevention Council. Before joining NCPC, she was executive director of CASA of the Eastern Panhandle and coordinated West Virginia Summits on Homeland Security in 2003 and 2006. From 2001 to 2003, she served as Deputy Sergeant at Arms of the U.S. Senate where she was chief operating officer of the 800-person administrative office and Sergeant-at-Arms Al Lenhardt's senior advisor after the 2001 terrorist and anthrax attacks. Before that, she held many public policy positions, including chief of staff for Attorney General Janet Reno, U.S. Department of Justice, and chief counsel, Senate Judiciary Subcommittee on Technology and the Law. Ms. Harkins has a J.D. from Georgetown University Law Center and an M.A. in Latin American History and a B.A. in History from The Catholic University of America.