



Mary Munson Biography

Mary Munson currently serves as Executive Director of the Coastal States Organization, representing the Governors of the nation's thirty-five coastal states, commonwealths and territories on issues affecting coastal, Great Lakes and ocean resources. Prior to this, Ms. Munson has spent over 20 years as a professional in the fields of environmental law, conservation advocacy and higher education, most recently as Executive Director of the Florida Conservation Alliance, Executive Director of the LL.M. Degree Program in Environmental Sustainability at St. Thomas University School of Law, and Deputy General Counsel at the National Parks Conservation Association. In addition to serving as the national chair of the Everglades Coalition for three terms, Mary has served on several local, state and federal advisory commissions on oceans, climate and water resources issues. Ms. Munson has earned a B.S. from the Massachusetts Institute of Technology, J.D. from the College of William and Mary, LL.M. (Master of Laws) from the University of London and Master's Degrees in Environmental Science and Planning from the University of Virginia. She was a recipient of a Dean John A. Knauss Marine Policy Fellowship through the National Sea Grant Fellows Program and a Drapers Guild Scholarship in International Law.