

## **The Honorable Mark Gearan, Vice Chair for National and Public Service**



The Honorable Mark Gearan, Vice Chair for National and Public Service Mr. Gearan's career has included leadership roles in public service and higher education. Mr. Gearan is currently the Director of the Institute of Politics at Harvard University's John F. Kennedy School of Government. Previously, he served as President of Hobart and William Smith Colleges for 18 years. In government he has served as the Director of the Peace Corps, White House Director of Communications, and Deputy Chief of Staff. Mr. Gearan has been engaged in national and international service organizations, including as Chair of the Corporation for National and Community Service and board member for Points of Light, Jesuit Volunteer Corps, and the Leadership Council for the Franklin Project.

In higher education, he has served as Chair of the Annapolis Group, Chair of Campus Compact, and Chair of the Talloires Network, as well as board member of the National Association of Independent Colleges and the New York State Council of Independent Colleges. He earned his bachelor's degree in *cum laude* from Harvard University and his law degree from Georgetown University. He is the recipient of 13 honorary degrees.