

Ann Marie Buerkle, Commissioner



Hon. Ann Marie Buerkle is a Commissioner at the U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission (CPSC). She was appointed to the agency by President Barack Obama in May of 2013 and was confirmed by the U.S. Senate in June 2013. The term expires in October 2018.

Prior to joining the Consumer Product Safety Commission, Buerkle served the people of Upstate New York's 25<sup>th</sup> Congressional District in the U.S. House of Representatives. During her time in Congress, Buerkle served on the Oversight & Government Reform, Foreign Affairs, and Veterans' Affairs Committees. She served as Chair of the Veterans' Affairs Subcommittee on Health. While in Congress, Buerkle was also appointed by President Obama to serve as a United States Representative to the 66<sup>th</sup> Session of the General Assembly of the United Nations.

While in Congress, Ann Marie strived to work across party lines on policies that would improve the nation's economy, reduce wasteful government spending, provide tax relief to the middle class, and ensure veterans had access to the resources and care that they earned.

Prior to being elected to Congress, Ann Marie worked in a private law firm, and in 1997 was appointed, by then Attorney General Dennis Vacco, as an Assistant New York State Attorney General representing the State of New York on behalf of Upstate Medical University; a role she held for 13 years.

Ann Marie graduated from St. Joseph's Hospital School of Nursing as a Registered Nurse in 1972 and in 1977 she graduated from Le Moyne College with a Bachelor of Science Degree. In 1991, Ann Marie returned to college, this time to earn her law degree. She graduated from Syracuse University College of Law with a Juris Doctorate degree in 1994.

In addition to her professional accomplishments, Ann Marie has six grown children and fifteen grandkids that inspire her in all that she does.