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Senator Charles S. Robb, Board of Regents Member

Charles S. Robb served as Virginia's 64th Governor (1982 to 1986), following a term as Lieutenant Governor (1978 to 1982). He later served as a United States Senator (1989 to 2001), before joining the faculty of George Mason University (GMU) as a Distinguished Professor of Law and Public Policy. Currently he serves as Special Counsel for and Former Chairman of the Board of Trustees of the MITRE Corporation.

While in the Senate Mr. Robb became the first member ever to serve simultaneously on all three national security committees (Intelligence, Armed Services, and Foreign Relations). He also served on the Finance, Commerce, and Budget Committees.

Before becoming a member of Congress Mr. Robb chaired: the Southern Governors' Association, the Democratic Governors' Association, the Education Commission of the States, the Democratic Leadership Council, Jobs for America's Graduates, the National Conference of Lieutenant Governors and the Virginia Forum on Education. He also served as president of the Council of State Governments.

During the 1960's he served on active duty with the U.S. Marine Corps, retiring from the Marine Corps Reserve in 1991. He began as the Class Honor Graduate from Marine Officers Basic School in 1961 and ended up as head of the principal recruiting program for Marine officers in 1970. In between, he served in both the 1st and 2nd Marine Divisions and his assignments included duty as a military social aide at the White House and command of an infantry company in combat in Vietnam.

He received his law degree from the University of Virginia (U.Va.) in 1973, clerked for Judge John D. Butzner, Jr. on the U.S. Court of Appeals, and practiced law with Williams and Connolly prior to his election to state office. Between his state and federal service he was a partner at Hunton and Williams.

Since leaving the Senate in 2001 he has served as chairman of the Board of Visitors at the United States Naval Academy, co-chairman (with Sr. Judge Laurence Silberman of the U.S. Court of Appeals) of the President's Commission on Intelligence Capabilities of the United States Regarding Weapons of Mass Destruction (WMD); and co-chairman (with former Virginia Governor Linwood Holton) of a major landowner's alliance formed to help finance the extension of Metrorail to Tyson's Corner and Dulles Airport. He has also been a member of the President's Intelligence Advisory Board, the Secretary of State's International Security Advisory Board (chairman, WMD-Terrorism Task Force); the FBI Director's Advisory Board; the Iraq Study Group; the Critical Incident Analysis Group, and the Afghanistan Study Group. He was a Fellow at the Institute of Politics at Harvard University and at the Marshall Wythe School of Law at William & Mary. He also served on the Council on Foreign Relations Independent Task Force on Pakistan and Afghanistan and the boards of: the Space Foundation; the Thomas Jefferson Program in Public Policy; the Bipartisan Policy Center; and the National Committee on U.S.-China Relations.

He also served as a co-chairman of the Aspen Institute/Rockefeller Commission to Reform the Presidential Appointments Process and a member of the Center for Infrastructure Protection Advisory Board; the Center for the Study of the Presidency and Congress Advisory Board; the Robertson Foundation Advisory Board; the Batten School of Leadership and Public Policy Advisory Board at U.Va.; and the Homeland Security Policy Institute Advisory Board at George Washington University. In addition he served as co-chairman of the Iranian Nuclear Development Task force at the Bipartisan Policy Center and on the Boards of the Concord Coalition; the Pew/Peterson Foundation's Committee for a Responsible Federal Budget; the Research Strategies Network; the National Museum for Americans in Wartime; Strategic Partnerships LLP; GMU's Critical Infrastructure Protection Program; and works on occasional advisory projects with the Center for Strategic and International Studies.

He is married to Lynda Johnson Robb and they have three daughters and four grandchildren.