

Edward Thomas Jr. McMullen

Director

Mr. McMullen has over 30 years of experience in public policy, politics, and business, specializing in economic development, foreign direct investment (FDI), energy, healthcare, and government relations. His background includes founding McMullen Public Affairs, advising presidential campaigns, and working with Fortune 25 companies in various sectors.

He served as the U.S. Ambassador to Switzerland and Liechtenstein from November 2017 to January 2021, where he engaged with over 300 CEOs and board chairs, fostering relationships that enhanced the economic landscape. Mr. McMullen's efforts strengthened U.S.-Swiss relations and contributed to Switzerland becoming the sixth-largest source of FDI in the U.S.

Mr. McMullen played a pivotal role in President Trump's campaign as chairman in the South Carolina primary and participated in the President-elect's transition team, contributing to both the U.S. and South Carolina inaugurations.

He has held key leadership roles on several boards, including The Heritage Foundation during the Reagan administration, received The Order of the Palmetto and is actively engaged with cultural institutions like the Kennedy Center for the Performing Arts.