McMichael Biography

     Marlene S. McMichael is a native Texan and has spent much of her career working in and around the Texas Legislature. She has held senior positions with five members of the Texas House of Representatives and a state senator. For nearly seven years, she was also executive director of the largest bipartisan caucus in the Texas Legislature, then widely recognized as the most influential group within the Texas House. During a sojourn from state government, McMichael worked for several private entities and eventually opened her own consulting firm, specializing in governmental affairs and community relations.

     McMichael is currently Associate Vice Chancellor for Government Affairs at Texas State Technical College (TSTC) and was a recipient of the Chancellor's Excellence Award in 2014. She handles government relations at both the state and federal levels for the ten-campus, two-year technical college system. Marlene is also the author of a coffee table book commemorating TSTC's 50 years as a Texas teaching institution. Titled *TEXAS STATE TECHNICAL COLLEGE: The Vision, The Leaders, The Heart*, the book was released in March 2015.

     McMichael is a summa cum laude graduate of Texas State University and the William P. Hobby Center for Public Service. McMichael holds a national certification as a Certified Public Manager®.

     McMichael asserts that her greatest accomplishment is and always will be her daughter, Chara Anne McMichael. Together, they share a love for public service. The younger McMichael lives in Washington, D.C., and serves as chief of staff for a Texas Congressman. McMichael lives in Georgetown, Texas, where she remains active in her community and has served on a number of non-profit boards in Austin, Georgetown, and Killeen – to include a tenure as 2012 Chairman of the Board for the Georgetown Chamber of Commerce and, for the last two years, the President of the Board for the Williamson County Children's Advocacy Center.

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