

Michael F. Ryan
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Michael F. Ryan is Vice President of Government Affairs for National Grid in Rhode Island. Mr. Ryan joined the former Narragansett Electric Company in 1994. Prior to that, he served for eight years as the Rhode Island Director of the offices of United States Senator John H. Chafee. Mr. Ryan spent almost ten years in the executive branch of Rhode Island state government – first as a Legislative Assistant to the Lieutenant Governor and later as Special Assistant and Press Secretary to Governor J. Joseph Garrahy.

Mr. Ryan served as a member of the Rhode Island Board of Governors for Higher Education from 1997 to 2011; was appointed vice chairman in 2003 and honorably served until 2011. He is a member of the Rhode Island Commodores Board of Governors and serves on the boards of Navigant Credit Union, and The Providence Journal Charitable Legacy Fund. Mr. Ryan served as chairman of Boy's Town New England from 2004 until 2012. He is the former chairman of Grow Smart Rhode Island and served on the boards of several organizations including the Greater Providence Chamber of Commerce, Rhode Island Economic Policy Council and the Rhode Island Public Expenditure Council.

Mr. Ryan is a 1974 graduate of Rhode Island College, a 1993 graduate of Leadership Rhode Island and was named to the Rhode Island College Alumni Honor Roll. In 2006, he was the recipient of the Alumni Service Award from Rhode Island College and in 2008, received an Honorary Degree – Doctorate of Humane Letters from the New England Institute of Technology. He and his wife, Lynne, are the parents of two grown children.

