

Jane Kenney Austin

Jane worked on the policy staff of Save The Bay for ten years (2004 -2014). In that capacity, she developed policy and served as advocate on issues of water quality and supply, coastal management, climate change, and environmental protection and regulation. She was the chief lobbyist at the RI State House and worked extensively with state agencies and municipalities, elected officials, other environmental organizations and the general public. She also served on the RI Climate Change Commission, the RI Statewide Planning Technical Committee, Warwick Sewer Authority Review Commission, and as Chair of the Narragansett Bay Estuary Program. Jane was awarded a U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Region 1, Lifetime Achievement Award in 2014.

Other positions included Teaching Assistant at Brown University, during various years between 1989 – 2001, for courses in City Politics, Public Policy, Regulatory Agencies, and Children and Public Policy; and Assistant International Officer, Mellon Bank in Pittsburgh and London (1976 – 1980).

Jane has a BA in economics from Princeton, an MBA from Harvard Business School and a MA in Political Science from Brown University.

Her civic and community involvement has included the Warwick Land Trust, Warwick School Committee, Chair; Common Cause of RI, Board Member and President; the Wheeler School, Board member and President of the Parents Association; the Rocky Point Foundation; and the Association of the Cotuit Mosquito Yacht Club, Board member responsible for oversight of the instructional program.

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