



JENNIFER B. LENNON

Jennifer Lennon has 15+ years experience in directing not-for-profit fundraising for visual and performing arts, secondary education and healthcare organizations. Her Development portfolio includes establishing marketing and fundraising partnerships, creating major capital campaigns, initiating donor cultivation programs, running large fundraising special events, grant writing and soliciting support from corporations, foundations and government agencies.

Among her unique accomplishments were: the creation of a special joint fundraising effort with legendary boxing great, Muhammad Ali, and the obtaining of funding support from the prestigious Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation. While living in Louisville, she was appointed to the Kentucky State Arts Commission by the Governor and served on numerous community boards in both the arts and economic development organizations.

Currently, Jennifer is the Vice President Development & Education for the **Congressional Medal of Honor Foundation** where she is responsible for the organization's fundraising activities and educational outreach initiatives. For the past three years, she has directed the creation of an extensive character development curriculum for middle and high schools centered on the six pillars of character identified as core values associated with the Medal of Honor – *courage, commitment, patriotism, integrity, sacrifice and citizenship*. To date, that curricula has been implemented in schools in Pennsylvania, Alabama, South Carolina, Georgia, Colorado and at The Citadel – the Military College of South Carolina.

Jennifer holds a Bachelor of Arts degree in Art History from Manhattanville College. She is married, has one son and enjoys cooking and the arts.