

Maureen E. O'Brien is a resident and native of Albany, New York. She is a graduate of the Academy of the Holy Names, University of Notre Dame (B.A.) and New York University (M.A.).

In 2018, following a national search, Maureen was appointed the first female President and Chief Executive Officer of New York State Industries for the Disabled (NYSID). NYSID is the designated facilitator of the Preferred Source Program for individuals with disabilities in New York State. Maureen manages the execution of over 1,000 state and municipal contracts on behalf of 135 rehabilitative services member agencies. Annually, over 6,000 individuals with disabilities are gainfully employed through the program. She is thrilled to combine her private sector experience with her desire to provide opportunities to individuals with disabilities to bring transformational change to the organization.

After serving as the Director of State Operations and Spokesperson to 20th Congressional District Representative and Homeland Security Appropriator John E. Sweeney, Maureen became the Director of Government Affairs for Motorola Solutions Inc. (MSI) in 2007. In this capacity she handled the company's public safety government relations work on large strategic projects in the eastern half of the United States (Ohio, New York, Pennsylvania, Massachusetts, Rhode Island, New Jersey). In 2016 she was elevated to Executive Director managing all aspects of state and local government engagement for the East Region.

Maureen's reputation in the state houses she has called on and among the member agencies of NYSID is that of an honest broker and trusted advisor with a keen understanding of the political process. Those who work closely with her are witness to her sense of humor, deep network of respectful colleagues and persistence in leaving no stone unturned.

Throughout her career Maureen has served on a host of non-profit boards associated with her passion of providing better opportunities to individuals with disabilities. She is deeply involved in the NF Endurance Team (the fundraising arm of the Children's Tumor Foundation). Since 2009, Maureen has served as an executive board member at Double H Ranch – a residential camp with a mission to serve children living with life threatening illnesses. Since 2014 Maureen has been a Trustee at Maria College where she Chairs the Institutional Advancement Committee. In 2017, she oversaw the development of the Frank E. O'Brien Student Support Center. The Center serves disabled Maria College students seeking a career in healthcare. In 2019 Maureen became a trustee at Christian Brother's Academy.

Maureen was a recipient of the Andrew Heiskell Community Service Award and on two occasions the quarterly MSI Foundation Volunteerism Award. In 2012, 2013, and 2016 Maureen was inducted in MSI CEO Circle – recognition of performing in the top 10% of the company. In 2016 she was a recipient of The American Institute for Public Service Foundation Jefferson Award. In 2020 Maureen was recognized by the Capital District Business Review as a Community Connector for Leadership in Diversity, Equity and Inclusion.

Maureen is a member of the Notre Dame Club of North Eastern N.Y. and The Notre Dame Monogram Club. She and her family are communicants of Mater Christi Parish in Albany, New York. Together Maureen and her husband Dr. Paul F. Vogt have four boys Patrick, Andrew, Christopher and Gabriel.