

Susan M. Miller

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Susan M. Miller graduated from Southern Columbia Area High School in 1977. She was Class President, Class Salutatorian, Editor of the yearbook, member of the Honor Society and band member.

She attended Dickinson College and in 1981 she received her Bachelor of Arts degree in English Literature and Art History with a minor in Economics. In 1984, she received her Jures Doctorate degree from Catholic University, Columbus School of Law.

After Law School she was hired by the Wall Street law firm of Weil, Gotshal & Manges. In 1988 our Distinguished Alumnus became General Counsel for ATIS - Alliance for Telecommunications Industry Solutions, and in 1999 she became President and CEO of the company. Under her leadership ATIS has grown to become a major force in driving Telecommunications Industry Standards.

The Alliance for Telecommunications Industry Solutions is a complex organization, but here are easy examples of what ATIS does - People's cell phones work because of technology ATIS has developed. Everyone can dial 911 for emergencies because of the work of ATIS; and the dialing sequence for toll free numbers (888, 877, 866, etc.) exists because of the work her organization did to identify these numbers and make them toll free.

Our Distinguished Alumnus was recognized as the only woman President and CEO among the thirteen most influential U.S. telecommunications associations. In 2010 she was named one of the top 10 women in telecommunications, and in 2011 one of the top 10 most influential people in the telecommunications industry.