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Karen Kerrigan is president and CEO of Women Entrepreneurs Inc. (WE Inc.) As a well-known small business advocate, she has developed relationships with key individuals in media, government and the private sector that have led to substantive initiatives to help America's entrepreneurial sector.

Kerrigan founded the Small Business Survival Committee (SBSC) in 1994, a prominent and respected small business advocacy organization with more than 70,000 members nationwide (www.sbsc.org). She now serves as the group's Chairman.

As a small business owner, Ms. Kerrigan has a variety of clients in the marketing, communications, and the financial services industry, including WomanTrend, where she serves as managing editor of the firm's newsletter WomenTrends.

Kerrigan testifies before Congress on issues that impact American entrepreneurship. She has appeared before various U.S. Congressional Committees, as well as commissions at the federal and state level. She recently participated in the President's Economic Forum in August of 2002 where she served as guest presenter of the "Small Business-Smart Regulation" working session. Kerrigan helped to spearhead "Women Entrepreneurship in the 21st Century," a groundbreaking summit in March of 2002 where more than 1,500 women business owners gathered in Washington, D.C. to dis-

cuss their key concerns with our nation's leading political figures.

Kerrigan meets regularly with delegations from around the world that wish to learn about public policy recommendations that would foster entrepreneurial activity. She served on the 2001 Bush Transition Advisory Committees for the SBA and the U.S. Department of Treasury.

Fortune Small Business named Kerrigan to its *Power 30* list of key advocates in Washington, D.C. in its September 2000 publication. In 1995, *National Journal* named Kerrigan to its short list of "K Street" activists less than 40 years of age most likely to have an impact on Capitol Hill. She also serves on the board of BIPAC - one of Washington's most powerful bipartisan PACs that works to elect pro-business candidates to Congress.

Her commentary and written work have appeared in *Investor's Business Daily*, *The Wall Street Journal*, *The Washington Times*, *The Houston Chronicle*, *San Jose Mercury News*, *The Union Leader*, *The New York Post*, and scores of other prominent publications throughout the country. Since 1995, she has written a regular column for the *American City Business Journal*. She has also appeared on various television programs and networks such as ABC's *Nightline*, The McLaughlin Group, CNN, CNBC, and Fox News Television.