



David Westerling
President and CEO

Dave Westerling's work in both the private and public sectors has enhanced the quality of life for citizens. He has served as the Chief Engineer in the Massachusetts Office of the Inspector General, which provides oversight of state city and town governments for the prevention of waste, fraud and abuse. After Hurricane Katrina, he helped to establish a new Inspector General Office in the City of New Orleans where he was a Supervisory Forensic Engineer in the Contract Monitoring Office and was Interim Inspector General for the City of New Orleans.

Westerling was selected as a National Congressional Fellow and served in the U.S. Senate in the Office of Senator Kent Conrad (D-ND) who was then Chair of the Senate Finance Committee. As a staff member specializing in water resources and environmental issues he worked on federal legislation and national agency budgets providing advice on technical aspects of pending legislation and financial support.

After returning from Washington, he helped to establish a successful State Legislative Fellows program at the State House. He served two terms with the Joint Committee on Transportation, where he supported the establishment of the Rose Kennedy Greenway and the reconstruction of the MBTA Greenbush commuter rail line.

Dr. Westerling had a distinguished teaching career at Merrimack College as a faculty member in the Department of Civil and Mechanical Engineering. He taught a variety of classes including environmental engineering, soil mechanics, fluid mechanics and construction management. He served as Department Chair and was President of the Faculty Senate.

He is a Past President of the Boston Society of Civil Engineers. And he was elected Town Moderator in Harvard, Massachusetts where he also served on the Conservation Commission, Finance Committee and as an Elected Tax Assessor. Later he was a Board Member for the Harvard Conservation Trust. He is a former member of the Board of Directors of the national Association of Inspectors General.

"I have always called New England my home and have grown accustomed to the way we govern ourselves here; truly amazed that we participate and put down deep roots in this special place."

Westerling has a Bachelor of Science in civil engineering from the University of Massachusetts, Amherst, He earned a Master of Science Degree and Doctor of Philosophy Degree in civil engineering from Worcester Polytechnic Institute.