

## Commissioner Mark Phillips Biography



Mark Phillips was appointed commissioner of Iron Range Resources and Rehabilitation Board (IRRRB) by Governor Mark Dayton in January 2015. He previously had served as the agency's director of economic development from 1983 to 1988. Phillips has more than 25 years of leadership in development and finance, including launching new and creative programs for community and economic development, real estate development and business financing.

He most recently served as director of business development at Kraus-Anderson Construction Company. Prior to that, he served as commissioner of the Minnesota Department of Employment and Economic Development (DEED), as vice president of Northeast Ventures Corporation and as director of development for Minnesota Power.

Phillips is a graduate of the Minnesota Executive Program within the Carlson School of Management at the University of Minnesota and has a bachelor's degree in business administration from the University of Minnesota Duluth. He also is a recipient of the Economic Development Association of Minnesota's Career Achievement Award.

He and his wife Patricia have two grown children and two grandchildren.