



Shannon Flanagan-Watson

Leadership Arlington Class of 2007
Assistant County Manager, Arlington County

Shannon Flanagan-Watson was named Assistant County Manager in July 2005. She coordinates a variety of special projects and serves as the Business Ombudsman, appointed by the County Manager, working in partnership with the Arlington business community. She also served as Acting Director of the Department of Parks and Recreation from July 2012-January 2013.

Prior to joining the County, Ms. Flanagan-Watson served as the Director of Business Development for the International City/County Management Association (ICMA). She brings over 20 years of combined experience working in and with local governments on a range of professional local government management issues. Previously, she worked for the Metropolitan Washington Council of Governments working on policy and outreach programs in the Metropolitan Washington region.

In January 2012, she earned the designation of an ICMA Credentialed Manager. Ms. Flanagan-Watson holds a master of public administration degree from the Maxwell School of Citizenship and Public Affairs at Syracuse University and a B.A. in Communications from the University at Buffalo, the State University of New York.

Ms. Flanagan-Watson volunteers her time with several organizations in the community and resides in Arlington with her family.

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