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Jessica Mathews' career has included posts in the executive and legislative branches of government, in management and research in the non-profit arena, and in journalism.

Mathews served as president of the Carnegie Endowment for International Peace from 1997-2015. Under her leadership the one-hundred year-old think tank more than tripled in size and transformed from an American institution headquartered in Washington D.C., to a unique global one with locally staffed offices in Moscow, Beijing, Brussels, Beirut and New Delhi.

From 1977-79, she was director of the Office of Global Issues on the National Security Council in the White House covering nuclear proliferation, conventional arms sales, and human rights. In 1993 she returned to government as Deputy to the Undersecretary of State for Global Affairs.

She served on the Editorial Board of the *Washington Post* (1980-82), covering energy, environment, science, technology, arms control and other international issues. Later, she wrote a weekly column for the Post which appeared nationwide and in the International *Herald Tribune*.

From 1982-93, she was founding vice president and director of research of the World Resources Institute, an internationally known center for policy research on environmental and natural resource management issues, and then senior fellow and director of the Washington office of the Council on Foreign Relations (1994-97).

Dr. Mathews was a Congressional Science Fellow of the American Association for the Advancement of Science (AAAS), 1973, and continued in Congress as a staff member of the Energy and Environment subcommittee of the House Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs. In 1975-76 she served as National Issues Director in Congressman Morris Udall's presidential campaign, the highest-ranking woman in any presidential campaign in either party at that time.

Mathews has served as a director of the biotech firm, SomaLogic and of HanesBrands Inc., and as a trustee of more than twenty national and international nonprofits including the Union of Concerned Scientists, the Nuclear Threat Initiative, the International Crisis Group, the Brookings Institution, and the Inter-American Dialogue. She served on the boards of Radcliffe College and as a member of the Harvard Corporation. She has been a trustee of four foundations (Rockefeller Foundation, Rockefeller Brothers Fund, the Century Foundation and the Joyce Foundation). She serves on the boards of the Quincy Institute and the Stockholm International Peace Research Institute (SIPRI) and chairs the Piedmont Journalism Foundation, nonprofit owner of two local newspapers.

Mathews is an elected fellow of the American Philosophical Society. She holds honorary degrees including from Claremont College, Georgetown University and University of Virginia which awarded her the Jefferson Medal in Citizen Leadership. She has appeared regularly on radio and television and was the subject of one of the most heavily watched of Bill Moyers' *World of Ideas* series.

She has written for the *New York Times*, *Foreign Affairs*, *Foreign Policy* and regularly for the *New York Review of Books*. Her 1989 *Foreign Affairs* article "Redefining Security" played a major role in launching the study of environment as a security issue. Her 1997 article "Power Shift" was chosen by the editors as one of the most influential in the journal's first 75 years. She has co-edited and co-authored several studies and three books.

Mathews graduated magna cum laude from Radcliffe College (1967) and received her Ph.D. degree in molecular biology from the California Institute of Technology (1973). She has two sons and was married to USAF General Charles G. Boyd (d. 2022).