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## **Governor Appoints Mullins to Southern Regional Education Board**

Jackson, Miss. - Governor Ronnie Musgrove has appointed Andy Mullins to the Southern Regional Education Board for a five-year term of office commencing July 1, 2001 and ending June 30, 2006. The SREB helps government and education leaders in 16 states work cooperatively to advance education. It also helps states improve the quality of their education, provide greater opportunities for their students and works to raise achievement for all states.

Mullins is Executive Assistant to the Chancellor and Associate Professor of Education at The University of Mississippi. Prior to working for The University of Mississippi, Mullins was the Special Assistant to the State Superintendent of Education and the Director of External Relations in the State Department of Education. He has also served as Special Assistant to Governor William Winter and Governor Bill Allain.

Andy graduated from Noxubee County High School and received a B.A. in History from Millsaps College and his M.Ed. in History from Mississippi College. He attained his Ph.D. in Higher Education from The University of Mississippi.

Mullins is currently a Board Member of the Barksdale Reading Institute, a Board Member of the University of Mississippi Racial Reconciliation Institute, a Vestry Member of St. Peter's Episcopal Church, a member of the Millsaps College Alumni Council and a University of Mississippi Education Order Member. Andy is Co-Director of the Mississippi Teacher Corps, which he helped create.

He has served on the Board of Directors of the Very Special Arts Program in Mississippi, as a statewide advisory to the Mississippi PTA and he was the recipient of the 1994 Outstanding Service to Public Education Award from the Mississippi Administrator Development Network. While working for Governor Winter, Andy was the staff person designated to represent the Governor on the Southern Regional Education Board.

“Andy has a strong education background,” said Governor Musgrove. “His knowledge and experiences in public and private education will be a positive addition to SREB.”

SREB was created in 1948 by Southern states, which include Alabama, Arkansas, Delaware, Florida, Georgia, Kentucky, Louisiana, Maryland, Mississippi, North Carolina, Oklahoma, South Carolina, Tennessee, Texas, Virginia and West Virginia.

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