

## **Virginia B. Clark**

### **Assistant Secretary for Advancement**

Virginia B. Clark is the Smithsonian's Assistant Secretary for Advancement, overseeing the Office of Advancement, which is involved in building non appropriated financial support for the Smithsonian. She joined the Smithsonian in summer 2002.

Clark directs Smithsonian-wide development activities and shares supervisory responsibility with the directors of the museum and research centers for fund raising staff and programs.

Clark is a veteran of professional development work at the University of Pennsylvania, where she served as associate dean for external affairs at the Wharton School before becoming vice president for development and alumni relations. Under her leadership, the university received the 2003 Case Award for Overall Performance.

Clark currently serves on the board of the Council for Advancement and Support of Education (CASE) and as a trustee for the Salem International University in West Virginia. She was a trustee of Southern Ohio Colleges, and served on the boards of the Morris Arboretum, the Philadelphia Education Fund, and The Haverford Trust Company of Philadelphia.

Clark is a graduate of Boston University (1971).

