

## **Crandall C. Bowles**

**Crandall C. Bowles** is Chairman of Springs Industries, Inc., and its key subsidiary, Springs Window Fashions, a manufacturer of window products for the home. Until August, 2007, she was also Chairman and Chief Executive Officer of Springs Global Participações, a textile home furnishings company based in Brazil. Springs Global was formed by the merger of Coteminas, a Brazilian textile company, and the textile operations of Springs Industries, in January, 2006. Springs Global is the world's largest supplier of textile home furnishings with annual sales of more than \$2 billion, facilities in five countries, and 18,000 employees worldwide. Crandall retired from Springs Global in August, 2007.

Crandall joined Springs Industries as an executive vice president in 1992, held several assignments, was appointed president and chief operating officer in 1997 and then chairman and CEO in 1998. From 1978 to 1992, Crandall was an officer and subsequently president of The Springs Company, a privately held management company responsible for her family's non-textile operations and investments. She is currently also Chairman of The Springs Company.

She earned a BA in Economics from Wellesley College in 1969, worked at Morgan Stanley & Co., in New York and earned an MBA from Columbia University in 1973.

Crandall serves as a director of Deere & Company, JPMorgan Chase & Company, and the Sara Lee Corporation. She serves on the boards of the Carolina Thread Trail, Maya Angelou Research Center on Minority Health, the Packard Center at Johns Hopkins, and the University of North Carolina Press. She is a member of The Springs Close Foundation, Leroy Springs and Company, The Business Council, the Economic Club of New York, and the Wilderness Society.

Crandall and her husband Erskine have three grown children and seven grandchildren and live in Charlotte, NC. Her personal interests include hiking, running and travel.