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Dr. Terrence "Terry" MacTaggart is an experienced leader and scholar in higher education. His consulting and research work focuses on higher education leadership and policy, strategic planning, board development, issues of shared governance, and leadership evaluation. He has held the Chancellor's position at the Minnesota State University System and on two occasions at the University of Maine System. He has also served as a faculty member and administrator at several public and independent colleges and universities where he has led or participated in multiple institutional turnarounds.

He has served as a consultant and/or facilitator of board retreats for numerous colleges, universities, and systems. His clients include major public research universities, urban and metropolitan universities, distinguished independent institutions, regional comprehensives, international colleges and universities, minority-serving institutions, nontraditional colleges, community colleges, and proprietary schools.

Dr. MacTaggart has served as Chair of the Commission on Institutions of Higher Education (CIHE) of the New England Association of Schools and Colleges (NEASC) and has led multiple visiting teams for several regional accrediting associations. He has served as a Fulbright Scholar to Thailand and to Vietnam as an expert on accreditation and quality assurance.

His research and publications focus on governance, improving relations between institutions and the public, and restoring institutional competitiveness. His most recent book is titled Leading Change: How Boards and Presidents Work Together to Build Exceptional Institutions, published by AGB Press in 2011. He has authored numerous articles on presidential and board evaluation, high performance standards for boards, presidential search and strategies for a highly competitive environment.

Dr. MacTaggart's academic credentials include a doctorate and master's degree in literature from Saint Louis University, an MBA, and two honorary doctorates. He is a member of Phi Beta Kappa.

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