

## David F. Smith Receives Corning Award for Excellence



David F. Smith is Chairman of the Board of National Fuel Gas Company. He previously served as Executive Chairman, President and CEO. Smith has also served on the Board of Directors of The Business Council since 2007 and as Chairman and Co-Chairman of the Board of Directors since 2011.

The Corning Award for Excellence, the most prestigious award presented by The Business Council of New York State, Inc., is a magnificent piece of original Steuben Glass, handcrafted by masters in Corning, N.Y., and given each year to a New Yorker who has demonstrated an outstanding level of accomplishment and a deep and sustaining commitment to the people of New York state.

Smith is a 1974 graduate of the State University of New York at Fredonia with a Bachelor of Arts in Political Science. He also received a Juris Doctor degree in 1978 from the State University of New York at Buffalo School of Law.

He is a Board member of Gas Technology Institute (Executive Committee and Audit Committee), the Business Council of New York State (Vice Chair and member of the Executive Committee) and the State University of New York at Buffalo Law School Dean's Advisory Council, and a former director of the American Gas Association (AGA).