Sharon Percy Rockefeller has served the public broadcasting community for more than 35 years. Since 1989, she has been president and CEO of WETA, the flagship public broadcaster in the nation’s capital and the second-largest producing station of new content for public television.

Under her guidance, WETA has been production partners for more than three decades with Ken Burns, America’s premier documentary filmmaker, and consistently brought high-quality programming to national PBS audiences, including “PBS NewsHour,” “Washington Week with Gwen Ifill,” and performance specials from the White House, the U.S. Capitol, and the John F. Kennedy Center for the Performing Arts.

Rockefeller previously served on the Board of Directors for the Corporation for Public Broadcasting (CPB), PBS and the West Virginia Educational Broadcasting Authority.

A graduate of Stanford University, Rockefeller is active in a number of areas including education, fine arts, government and women’s issues. She serves on the boards of PepsiCo, The Museum of Modern Art, Johns Hopkins Medicine, Sibley Memorial Hospital and the Colonial Williamsburg Foundation. She is chairman of the Board of Trustees of the National Gallery of Art, president of the International Council of the Museum of Modern Art, and a fellow of the American Academy of Arts and Sciences.

In October of 1994, Rockefeller was named a recipient of the Charles Frankel Prize by the National Endowment for the Humanities in recognition of her outstanding achievements in promoting the arts and humanities in her public broadcasting career. She has also received the Distinguished Broadcaster Award, the Women of Vision Award from Women in Film and Video, and the CINE Lifetime Achievement Award.

She is married to Sen. John D. “Jay” Rockefeller IV of West Virginia. They have four children and six grandchildren.