



Patrick McClenahan

Patrick McClenahan is President and Chief Executive Officer of the 2015 Special Olympics World Games. He accepted the position after serving as the Chairman of the LA Bid Committee that recently won the international competition to bring the 2015 Special Olympics World Summer Games to Los Angeles. The World Games will showcase 7,000 athletes from 170 countries competing in 22 events and supported by 40,000 volunteers.

During the past 25 years, Patrick McClenahan has established a reputation as a strategic, results-oriented leader serving in senior level media executive positions at Prime Ticket, Fox Sports, KCAL, and CBS.

As President and General Manager of the two CBS-owned television stations in Los Angeles, CBS2 and KCAL9, McClenahan led the largest local broadcast operation in the country. He managed a staff of over 400 employees, a senior leadership team of 15 executives, and five trade unions in producing 11 hours of live news per day and over 100 live local sporting events per year.

McClenahan was promoted to President and General Manager after serving as Senior Vice President and Station Manager since the stations became the largest duopoly in the nation in 2002. In that position, he was responsible for managing the day-to-day operations and several major projects, including the merger of CBS2 and KCAL9's operations, the planning and construction of CBS's new state-of-the-art HD broadcast center in Studio City, the development of multi-platform digital distribution of content, and the negotiation of KCAL9's long-term broadcast rights agreements with the Los Angeles Lakers and the Los Angeles Dodgers.

Prior to being promoted to Senior Vice President and Station Manager, McClenahan was Vice President and Executive Producer of KCAL 9 Sports and KCAL9.com. Under his leadership, KCAL became the largest local broadcaster of sports in the country as he negotiated and managed sports broadcast rights with most of the sports teams in the market.

McClenahan's career in television production and programming began with the creation of his own company. It was during this time when McClenahan established his reputation as an innovative producer and developer of sports programming including live sporting events, magazine shows and specials for Prime Ticket Network.

After six successful years, McClenahan joined Prime Ticket as Executive Producer. He was soon promoted to Vice President of Programming and Production. When Prime Ticket merged with Fox Sports, he took on the role of Sr. Vice President of Production for Fox Sports Net, overseeing the sports production operations of 12 regional sports networks.

McClenahan has been honored with six Emmy's for his work in sports television. He is also active in providing leadership in the community, serving as Chairman of the Board of Directors for Special Olympics Southern California for the past 11 years. McClenahan also serves in leadership roles on the boards of the Los Angeles Sports Council, LA 84 Foundation, and the Ukleja Center for Ethical Leadership.

A native of Los Angeles, McClenahan is a University of Southern California alumnus. He and his wife, Karren, are the proud parents of their son, Eric (27), and their special needs daughter, Kelly (24).