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## Richard K. Miller, Ph.D.



### *President*

Dr. Miller was appointed founding President of the Franklin W. Olin College of Engineering on February 1, 1999. He also holds an appointment as a Professor of Mechanical Engineering.

Before joining Olin College, he served as Dean of the College of Engineering at the University of Iowa from 1992-99. At Iowa he initiated a comprehensive curriculum revision, a major facilities expansion and modernization project, the first major private capital campaign for the College of Engineering, an innovative Technological Entrepreneurship Certificate program, and an increase in external research funding by more than 50 percent.

He spent the previous 17 years on the engineering faculties at the University of Southern California (where he held the position of Associate Dean for Academic Affairs) and the University of California, Santa Barbara. With research interests in earthquake engineering and aerospace structural design, he has served as a consultant to many aerospace companies and directed research programs funded by NSF, NASA, and industry.

Dr. Miller has published extensively in the field of applied mechanics, and has won five major awards for teaching excellence. He earned a B.S. in Aerospace Engineering from the University of California, Davis in 1971, and is the recipient of the 2002 Distinguished Engineering Alumni Award from that institution. He received an S.M. in Mechanical Engineering from MIT in 1972, and a Ph.D. in Applied Mechanics from Caltech in 1976. He is a member of the Board of Trustees of Babson College, the Board of Directors of The Stanley Group, and serves on several advisory boards for non-profit organizations and universities. He is also a member of AIAA, ASCE, ASEE, and ASME.