

Scott Nathan

Special Representative for Commercial and Business Affairs

BUREAU OF ECONOMIC AND BUSINESS AFFAIRS

Term of Appointment: 03/10/2014 to present

Scott Nathan serves as the U.S. State Department's Special Representative for Commercial and Business Affairs.

Mr. Nathan joins the State Department after nearly 20 years working in the investment business. As a partner and Chief Risk Officer of The Baupost Group, a private investment partnership based in Boston, he gained extensive experience investing across asset classes and global markets. In addition, he chaired Baupost's portfolio risk committee, co-chaired its best practices and business risk committee, and served as a member of the firm's management committee.

Outside of his professional career, Mr. Nathan was a member of the Massachusetts Governor's Council of Economic Advisors. He has had extensive involvement with non-profit and educational organizations and is passionate about environmental issues and energy policy. He chaired the board of the League of Conservation Voters and its Education Fund and was also a long-term board member of the Wilderness Society. Additionally, Mr. Nathan served on numerous other boards and committees, including the Center for American Progress; the Trustees of Reservations; the Boston Museum of Fine Arts; and the Park School in Brookline, Massachusetts.

Mr. Nathan graduated summa cum laude from Harvard College and was the Lionel de Jersey Harvard Scholar at Emmanuel College, Cambridge University in England. He also holds a J.D. and an MBA, both from Harvard University, and remains deeply involved with the school, serving on numerous committees.