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Brandon Wales is Vice President for Cybersecurity Strategy at SentinelOne, where he leads its strategic advisory work helping companies tackle some of the hardest cybersecurity challenges and spearheading efforts to translate complex technical concepts into actionable business insights for diverse audiences, including boards of directors and congressional committees. Brandon brings 20+ years of experience advancing the U.S. national security interests at the highest level of the federal government.

Brandon joined SentinelOne from the U.S. Cybersecurity and Infrastructure Security Agency (CISA), where he served as the first Executive Director, helping manage an annual budget of $3B and a staff of 3,500. He led the development of CISA's Roadmap for Artificial Intelligence and also championed efforts to counter compromises of U.S. critical infrastructure by the People's Republic of China. Brandon also oversaw the integration of threat intelligence into CISA's cybersecurity operations. He is regularly sought after to convey the most complex and high-stakes cybersecurity issues to Congress, the media, and corporate leadership.

From November 2020 to July 2021, Brandon served as CISA's Acting Director where he led the government's response to the SolarWinds hack, the Microsoft Hafnium global crisis, and the Colonial Pipeline ransomware attack. In February 2022, he was appointed to lead the US Government's resilience efforts in response to the Russian invasion of Ukraine.

Brandon has also served as Senior Counselor for Cybersecurity to the Secretary of Homeland Security, Acting Chief of Staff for the Department of Homeland Security, and Director of the Office of Cyber and Infrastructure Analysis. He is a recipient of the Presidential Rank Award and was a finalist for the Samuel J. Heyman Service to America Medal.

Brandon holds a bachelor's degree from the George Washington University and a master's degree from the Johns Hopkins University Paul Nitze School of International Studies.