

Brandon Fried has more than 38 years of experience in the airfreight forwarding industry and is from Washington, D.C.

While still a forwarder, Brandon joined the Airforwarders Association and was soon elected Chairperson in 2001. He served two consecutive terms as Chair and remained an active member of the Board of Directors.

In November of 2005, Brandon was appointed to serve as the new executive director of the Airforwarders Association. As executive director, Brandon represents the Association on all security matters and serves several Federal Advisory Committees including:

- The TSA Aviation Security Advisory Committee
- The U.S. Department of Commerce Committee on Supply Chain Competitiveness
- CBP Commercial Operations Advisory Committee

He also now chairs and represents forwarder interests on the advisory Board of Cargo Network Services, an IATA company.

He advocates for the industry in the halls of Congress, the Department of Homeland Security and is the public face of the Airforwarders Association.

Brandon is a recognized expert on the air cargo industry and regularly comments for major trade publications such as *The Journal of Commerce and Air Cargo World*. He also continues to educate and advocate for forwarders in national publications, including the *Washington Post*, the *Wall Street Journal*, the *Chicago Tribune*, the *Los Angeles Times*, *The Miami Herald* and *USA Today*. He has also appeared on National Public Radio, CNN News and C-SPAN's *Washington Journal* television shows.

A graduate of Syracuse University, Brandon holds a master's degree in business administration and lives in Chevy Chase, Md. with his wife Kim and two children, Evan and Jordan.