

NICOLE DEAL Chief of Security & Athlete Services U.S. Olympic & Paralympic Committee

Nicole Deal is an accomplished leader and expert in safety and security operations, currently serving as the Chief of Security and Athlete Services for the United States Olympic & Paralympic Committee (USOPC). In this critical role, she is responsible for overseeing security operations, safeguarding athlete welfare, and enhancing resources for Team USA athletes beyond their athletic pursuits.

Before joining the USOPC, Nicole had an impressive career as a Special Agent in the U.S. Department of State Bureau of Diplomatic Security spanning from 1999 to 2017. She served in critical roles as Regional Security Officer and principal security attaché, providing counsel to U.S. Ambassadors at embassies in Algeria, Kosovo, and Venezuela. Her strategic and tactical expertise was also used as the Assistant Special Agent-in-Charge for Secretary of State Hillary Clinton's protection detail.

Nicole's adeptness in security coordination was further demonstrated at major international sporting events. She served as the security coordinator at the Toronto 2015 Pan American Games and played pivotal roles at the Athens and Salt Lake Games.

Throughout her career, Nicole's outstanding contributions have been recognized with several accolades, including the Superior Honor Award and multiple Meritorious Honor Awards from the Department of State.

Nicole is academically grounded with a bachelor's degree in criminal justice/Sociology and Spanish from Dillard University. She also holds a master's degree in planning and Strategy from the Joint Forces Staff College. Nicole's comprehensive background blends field experience with academic insight, making her a vital asset to the USOPC and the safety of its athletes.