

Brian J. Cavanaugh

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

American Global Strategies LLC (AGS)

Senior Vice President

September 2021 – Present

- Provided internal consulting on a range of operational and government relationship initiatives for Fortune 100 companies, enhancing corporate performance, business capture, and business development.
- Orchestrated and propelled supply chain and critical infrastructure planning for national clients creating strategic advantages over competitors amidst historic supply chain challenges.

The Heritage Foundation

Visiting Fellow for Cybersecurity, Intelligence, and Homeland Security

April 2023 – Present

- Leverages expert advice and perspective based on DHS, White House, and private sector experience in explaining and recommending policies on cybersecurity, Intelligence, and homeland security. These include China, supply chain resilience, and domestic response to incidents.
- Engages with public, media, and Congress on cybersecurity, Intelligence, or homeland security. Participates in media, briefings, and other engagements to educate and advocate for sound policies.
- Plans and participates in bilateral and multilateral cyber and counterintelligence events. Serves as an interlocutor at international engagements involving the Caucus States, Northern Europe/the Arctic, the Quad, Switzerland, and more.

The Department of Homeland Security

Executive Director for Strategic Planning and Integration

March 2021 – September 2021

- Direct oversight of multiple Department-wide programs related to homeland security operations and crisis response including technical hazards response and the Disaster Medical Assistance Teams.
- Led a team of over 30 technical experts on national security matters pertaining to health security and resilience, medical preparedness, and response. Served on group investigating directed energy attacks.

The White House, National Security Council

Special Assistant to the President and Senior Director for Resilience Policy

April 2018 – March 2021

- Provided national leadership across multiple national security priorities, including National Continuity Coordinator, Deputy Policy Coordinator for the Defense Production Act, and served as the lead across all homeland security issues within the Executive Office of the President, including election security, critical emerging technology, and cybersecurity.
- Responsible for the formulation, coordination, and implementation of national security and homeland security policy, including the prioritization of over \$350 billion across national security programs.
- Led the implementation of Federal programs related to critical emerging technologies; coordinating national resilience to cyberattacks, electromagnetic pulses, and directed energy attacks.

The Department of Homeland Security, Federal Emergency Management Agency

Director for External Coordination and Liaison

March 2014 – March 2018

- Served as agency's chief liaison to Congressional Appropriations Committees and the Office of Management and Budget (OMB).
- Drove the formulation of the Agency's annual President's Budget, participating in Passback and integrating Congressional feedback at the program, project, and activity level.

Program Manager

January 2010 – March 2014

- Managed development and delivery of anti-terrorism and emergency management programs to state and local jurisdictions as well as critical infrastructure owners and operators.

The Prince Georges County Fire Department (Volunteer)

Vice President, Volunteer Fire and Rescue Association

September 2016 – September 2018

- Represented and served as a leader for over 1,200 volunteer fire fighters, coordinating the interests of 38 independent Fire and EMS companies throughout Prince George's County Maryland.
- Served as chairman of the Legislative, Budget, and Scholarship committees, monitoring legislative actions impacting the fire rescue service, providing budget formulation and analysis, and evaluated scholarships.

Vice-Chairman, Board of Directors, Laurel Volunteer Fire Department

January 2013 – January 2016

- Planned, developed, executed, and managed all aspects of a fire station and a fleet of fire apparatus with a combined value more than \$22.5M and annual operating budget of over \$5M.

Battalion Chief, Prince George's County Fire Department

January 2009 – January 2014

- Supervised and directed the efforts of seven fire companies comprised of seven direct reports and a combined cadre of one-hundred and sixty career and volunteer firefighting personnel.

Deputy Fire Chief, Laurel Volunteer Fire Department

January 2010 – December 2013

- Supervised and directed the efforts of seven fire companies comprised of seven direct reports and a combined cadre of one-hundred and sixty career and volunteer firefighting personnel.

EDUCATION

University of Maryland University College

May 2015

Master of Science / Management in Homeland Security

University of Maryland

May 2004

Bachelor of Arts / Criminology and Criminal Justice

AWARDS

- NSC – Outstanding Service Award for Leadership During the Nationwide Response to COVID-19 (2020)
- DHS Chief Financial Officer – For Excellence in Financial Management (2015)

Affiliations

- Advisory Member, U.S. Global Leadership Coalition (2023-Present)
- Advisory Board Member, Vandenberg Coalition (2022-Present)

ORGANIZATIONS

- Instructor, University of Maryland Fire Rescue Institute (2014-2017)
- Elected Delegate of the Maryland State Fireman's Association (2015)
- Member, Police Emerald Society of Washington D.C. (2011-2014)
- Member, Prince George's County Fire Chief's Council (2010-2013)
- Member, University of Maryland M-Club (2004-present)
- Head Manager, University of Maryland Men's Basketball Team (2000-2004)
 - 2002 National Championship Team
 - 2004 Atlantic Coast Conference Championship Team