Charles Camillo

Executive Vice President Midwest Flood Control Association

Charles Camillo is the Executive Vice-President for the Midwest Flood Control Association, providing advice and direction to the Board of Directors.

Mr. Camillo brings over three decades of distinguished service and expertise in engineering policy, federal programs, and strategic public engagement. Most recently, he served as the Executive Director and Legislative Liaison for the Mississippi River Commission and Executive Assistant to the Commanding General, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, Mississippi Valley Division. Mr. Camillo also served as Special Assistant to the Honorable R.D. James, Assistant Secretary of the Army for Civil Works.

During his career, he has provided critical guidance during the major Mississippi River flood events of 2011, 2018 and 2019, the debilitating low-water events of 2012, 2023 and 2024, as well as the Hurricane Katrina recovery effort.

His numerous achievements include:

- Department of the Army Meritorious Civilian Service Medal (twice awarded)
- Department of the Army Superior Civilian Service Medal (twice awarded)
- Department of the Army Commander Award for Civilian Service (3-time recipient)
- Ernest P. Blankenship Professional of the Year (2011)
- Recipient of the prestigious De Fleury Medal (Bronze in 2023 and Silver in 2025), honoring exceptional contributions to Army Engineer excellence.
- Author of Divine Providence: The 2011 Flood in the Mississippi River and Tributaries Project, 2012
- Author of Upon Their Shoulders: The History of the Mississippi River Commission, 2004.

Mr. Camillo is a native of the St. Louis, Missouri, metropolitan area. He received a Bachelor of Arts Degree (History) from Millikin University in 1991 and a Master of Science Degree (History) from Illinois State University in 1992. After leaving federal service, he returned to the Midwest and currently resides in Illinois.