

## **Bob Blancato**

Bob Blancato is the National Coordinator of the bipartisan 3000-member Elder Justice Coalition. He is the President of Matz, Blancato and Associates, located in Washington, D.C. He also serves as the Executive Director of the National Association of Nutrition and Aging Services Programs.

Bob has more than 20 years of service in the Congressional and Executive branches, including the senior staff of the U.S. House Select Committee on Aging and an appointment by President Clinton to be Executive Director of the 1995 White House Conference on Aging, one of four Conferences he has participated in.

Bob's volunteer leadership includes currently serving on the National Board of AARP. In September 2015, Bob was appointed to the Advisory Panel on Outreach and Education of the Centers for Medicaid and Medicare Services.

Bob has also served as the Chair of the Board of the American Society on Aging, volunteer State President of AARP Virginia, and as president of the National Committee for the Prevention of Elder Abuse.

Bob is a contributing blogger to Next Avenue, writing on aging issues.

He holds a BA from Georgetown University and an MPA from American University. Bob has won numerous awards for advocacy. In 2011, he was knighted by the Italian Republic.