

DANIEL P. BEARD has more than three decades of experience as a leader in policy affairs and management issues working in the private sector and government.

On February 15, 2007, Dan Beard was sworn in as the third Chief Administrative Officer of the U.S. House of Representatives. In that position, he is responsible for overseeing all the non-legislative functions of the House. This includes management of a workforce of 1500 employees who provide finance, accounting, payroll, retail, logistical and information services to all Members of Congress, their staffs, and the various House offices.

From 2002 to 2006, he served as a senior advisor with the consulting firm of Booz Allen Hamilton, Inc. providing assistance on management-related issues to a diverse set of clients, including federal agencies, non-profits organizations, and private sector firms.

For the seven years prior to joining Booz Allen, Mr. Beard was with the National Audubon Society serving as the Chief Operating Officer in New York City, and Senior Vice President for Public Policy in Washington, D.C.

From 1993 to 1995, Mr. Beard served as President Clinton's Commissioner of the Bureau of Reclamation in the Department of the Interior. During his tenure, he instituted a wide array of management improvements that led former Vice President Gore to recognize the agency with a Golden Hammer Award, and the Ford Foundation and Harvard University to select Reclamation as a winner of a \$100,000 "Innovations in American Government Award." In addition to his management reform efforts, Mr. Beard instituted a variety of changes designed to make the agency more environmentally responsible and to promote resource conservation.

Mr. Beard began his career with the Library of Congress in 1970 where he worked for the Congressional Research Service. Between 1974 and 1976, he worked for former Congressman Sidney R. Yates, who was Chairman of the Interior Appropriations Subcommittee. In 1977, he served as an Assistant Director on President Carter's Domestic Policy Staff in the White House.

Between 1978 and 1981, he was the Deputy Assistant Secretary in the Interior Department. Following this, he served two years as the Chief of Staff for Montana Senator Max Baucus. In 1985, he began eight years of service with Congressman George Miller on the House Committee on Natural Resources where Mr. Beard initially served as the Staff Director for the Water and Power Subcommittee, before becoming Staff Director of the full committee in 1991.

A native of Bellingham, Washington, Mr. Beard earned a B.A. degree from Western Washington University (1965) and both his M.A. (1969) and Ph.D. (1973) from the University of Washington.

He and his wife of 43 years, Dana C. Beard, have three grown children, Allison, Nicholas, and Peter, as well as two grandchildren. They have resided in Columbia since 1974.