

BRIAN CALLEY- 2019 BIOGRAPHY

Brian Calley is a collaborative leader who combines the skills from an accomplished private sector career with a heart for public service and a record of getting things done. He is passionate about making the world work better for all people and uses an inclusive problem-solving approach to make a difference.

As President of the Small Business Association of Michigan, Brian is able to put his passion for Michigan's small businesses front and center.

Calley had the honor of serving as Michigan's 63rd Lieutenant Governor from 2011-2018. During that time, he played an integral role in Michigan's comeback in partnership with Governor Rick Snyder. He is often referenced as redefining the role of Lt. Governor, taking on issues that were critical and important to the success of our state. Calley was the driving force behind two historic tax reforms that were the catalyst for significant private-sector job growth in Michigan. During his tenure, more than 555,000 jobs were created and Michigan saw the lowest unemployment rate in 18 years. As Michigan's lieutenant governor, he also spearheaded regulatory reform, infrastructure improvement and employee engagement efforts.

Much of Brian's public policy work centered around inclusion for all Michiganders, regardless of the challenges they face because he believes everyone deserves to live a self-determined independent life. Calley led the charge to increase access to autism services in our state while also championing efforts on mental health, combatting the opioid addiction epidemic, jail diversion, special education reform, disability hiring and eliminating child lead poisoning.

Prior to serving as lieutenant governor, Calley served two terms in the Michigan House of Representative, two terms as an Ionia County commissioner and worked for over a decade in community banking. He holds degrees from Michigan State University, Grand Valley State University and the John F. Kennedy School of Government at Harvard University.

Calley has been honored as one of Crain's Detroit Business' 40 under 40 and has received recognition for his leadership by organizations across the state, including the Small Business Association of Michigan, Special Olympics of Michigan, the Michigan Manufacturers Association and the Mental Health Association. He also has received national recognition from Autism Speaks and the US Junior Chamber, which named him one of the Ten Outstanding Young Americans.

Brian and his wife Julie live in Portland with their three children: Collin, Reagan and Karagan.