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With over 30 years of experience in leadership and public service at the national level, William Canary provides the strategic insight needed to help organizations succeed. As a consultant he leverages his vast knowledge of public policy, leadership coaching, crisis management and government to provide solutions that allow organizations to meet their strategic objectives.

Canary began his professional career in New York, where he made an early name for himself in the political arena, winning several elected positions in the Long Island area. Recognized for his integrity, ability to solve complex problems, and collaborative leadership style, he soon gained the attention of top political leaders in Washington, which led to key appointments as a Special Assistant to President George H. W. Bush and Chief of Staff for the Republic National Committee.

Over his career, he has been an advocate for businesses and champion of economic growth, holding roles as CEO of the Business Council of Alabama and President and CEO of the American Trucking Association. Currently, he is as a Senior Fellow for the United States Chamber of Commerce, where he serves as a thought leader on matters related to business, the Federation and the economy.

Canary founded Canary & Company Consulting to lend his expertise to organizations in need of specialized support. His strong knowledge of business, economics, and politics make him an asset to executives and organizational leaders seeking professional and trustworthy advisory to solve complex challenges.

He was a member of the U.S. Chamber of Commerce's Committee of 100 and served on the Executive Committee of the National Association of Manufacturer's State Associations Group. Canary also served on the Alabama School Readiness Alliance's Pre-K Task Force and continues to serve on the Advisory Board of ReadyNation.

He is also a contributor and co-author of **The Next New Start** (2015), **Unfinished Business** (2016), **Time And Again** (2017) and the author of: *Leadership Carpe Diem* (publication date January 2020).

Canary is a graduate of State University New York at Oneonta and holds a juris doctor from the Jacob D. Fuchsberg Law Center at Touro College in New York.