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During a career spanning almost 20 years as a covert field operations officer for the Central Intelligence Agency (CIA), Mike specialized in counterterrorism, counternarcotics and counterinsurgency operations. He engaged in, organized and supervised operations around the globe, working in Asia, the Middle East, Africa, Europe, the former Soviet Union and elsewhere. He was recognized professionally for outstanding performance and for operational achievements in hostile environments.

After leaving government service, Mike co-founded Diligence with the goal of building the premier intelligence and risk management firm. As a principal partner over the years, he worked to grow the company as it expanded around the globe. He also worked to establish the company's security operations in Iraq in 2003, as Diligence built a team of over 300 expat and local personnel involved in security and information collection. In 2019, after a management buyout of the business, Mike rebranded the company as [Portman Square Group](#) (PSG) adding crisis communications and policy work to the company's service lines. PSG now maintains offices in London, New York City, Washington DC, Chicago, Phoenix, Monterrey Mexico and Mexico City, providing information, intelligence and investigative support to Fortune 50 companies, leading law firms and high net wealth individuals.

Mike is a regular contributor in the national and international media on intelligence, security and counterterrorism issues. He appears regularly on a variety of news networks including Fox News, CNN, Newsmax and the BBC, as well as other major media outlets. He is the host of the top daily news podcast, the President's Daily Brief, and has hosted television series for Discovery, BBC and the Travel Channel, including the popular Black Files Declassified series on the Discovery network.