



Ben Nicholson

Vice President of Washington
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Ben Nicholson joined CAE in December of 2020 as Vice President of Washington Operations. He brings a wealth of experience in government and legislative relations as well as public policy. He has an extensive background in government relations and a thorough understanding of national security businesses.

Mr. Nicholson serves as the senior executive for CAE's government relations in Washington, D.C. and is responsible for representing the company with the United States Congress, federal agencies, foreign governments, and industry associations. He provides guidance on U.S. government foreign policy and national priorities related to the Defense and Security, Civil aviation, and Healthcare sectors, including their impact on CAE pursuits and objectives in the U.S. and international markets.

Mr. Nicholson has 21 years of experience in the Washington, D.C. political and corporate environment. He holds extensive expertise in U.S. government operations, programs and contracting, including congressional operations, economic development and the federal appropriations process for national defense, aerospace, security, and intelligence programs.

Prior to joining CAE, he was Vice President of Global Government Relations for Honeywell International. He held a key role in leading government relations efforts in aerospace, defense, and other national security businesses. Prior to his role at Honeywell International, Mr. Nicholson served as Vice President of Government Affairs, at L3 Technologies. He began his career with the U.S. Coast Guard as a Commissioned Officer for nine years before returning to civilian life as a professional staff member for the U.S. House of Representative committee on Appropriations, also supporting the Subcommittee on Homeland Security.

Mr. Nicholson holds a Bachelor in Science in Naval Architecture and Marine Engineering from the U.S. Coast Guard Academy and two Master of Science degrees in Naval Architecture & Marine Engineering and Resource Policy & Behavior from the University of Michigan.