

## **Brad T. Shields**

Brad Shields has nearly 20 years' experience working in Texas politics. He began his career as a staffer in the Texas House of Representatives and the Texas Senate while attending the University of Texas at Austin. After graduation in 2000, Brad worked on policy measures for several house members before moving on in 2004 to lobby for the Texas Retailers Association. There he worked with some of the largest employers in Texas, advocating for them before the Texas Legislature.

In 2008 Brad partnered with his father at what is now Texas Legislative Associates, a growing lobby firm with a broad variety of clients. Along with other government relations roles, Brad acts as Executive Director of the Texas Association of Freestanding Emergency Centers (TAFEC), a client of the firm. He was a lead lobbyist in the successful effort to pass legislation creating the freestanding emergency center licensing act.