

MICHAEL D NESS

Global Business Risk & Security Executive
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GLOBAL ENTERPRISE RISK & OPERATIONAL SECURITY EXECUTIVE

Board-level Enterprise Risk & Operational Security Executive with 30+ years of domestic and international leadership across healthcare, critical infrastructure, pharmaceutical manufacturing, energy, defense, technology, and multinational organizations spanning 13 industries.

- Interim Executive Leadership for organizations undergoing transformation, mergers, leadership transitions, and crisis response.
- Executive Consultant and Trusted Advisor to CEOs, Boards, and senior leadership teams.
- Enterprise Risk Management (ERM), Corporate Security, Physical Security, Healthcare Security, Crisis Management, and Business Continuity.
- Recognized for transforming underperforming security organizations into strategic enterprise functions aligned with business objectives.
- Experienced leading enterprise modernization initiatives, AI data center planning, critical infrastructure security, and organizational resilience.

CORE EXECUTIVE COMPETENCIES

Enterprise Risk Management (ERM) • Enterprise Security • Operational Security • Corporate Security • Physical Security • Healthcare Security • Interim Executive Leadership • Executive Consulting • Crisis Management • Emergency Management • Business Continuity • Organizational Resilience • Corporate Investigations • Executive Protection • Workplace Violence Prevention • Threat Assessment • Regulatory Compliance • Joint Commission • CMS • Critical Infrastructure • AI & Data Center Security • Governance • Board Reporting

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Managing Director | Executive Consultant | Interim Executive Leader, Michael D Ness, Business Risk Consulting

United States 2005 – Present

- Founder and executive advisor delivering enterprise risk transformation and resilience strategy across healthcare systems, multinational corporations, and critical infrastructure initiatives. **Concurrent executive consulting and advisory engagements conducted between corporate leadership assignments and on a project basis.**

SELECTED ENGAGEMENTS

- **Leading development and advisory engagement** activities for a proposed **200 MW AI and advanced Computing Data Center Campus. (2025-2026).**
- **Healthcare Enterprise Risk Transformation (2012–2024)** – Advised healthcare organizations on enterprise security modernization, workplace violence prevention, emergency preparedness, and governance integration.

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- **Tier IV Data Center & Critical Infrastructure Advisory (2005–2017)** – Led enterprise risk modeling and security architecture planning for a 60,000 sq. ft. underground Tier IV data center and integrated security operations center.
- **Global Investigations & Financial Recovery (2008–2018)** – Directed multinational investigations involving counterfeit pharmaceuticals, diversion, fraud, and money laundering, generating seven-figure financial recoveries.
- **Healthcare K9 Workforce Protection Program (2017–2019)** – Designed and implemented one of healthcare's earliest operational K9 workforce protection programs, contributing to a 30% reduction in employee assault incidents.

Systems Director Security (Interim Executive), Bronson Healthcare – Level I Trauma Center | Michigan
January 2024 – September 2024

- Conducted enterprise security assessment and operational restructuring initiative. Elevated security into a service-aligned, mission-integrated enterprise function while improving executive transparency into system-wide risk exposure.
- Conducted comprehensive enterprise security assessment identifying operational, governance, and workforce safety improvement opportunities.
- Developed strategic roadmap for organizational modernization and security program enhancement.
- Strengthened executive visibility into enterprise security risks and operational performance.

Director Security and Emergency Preparedness, MultiCare Health Systems – Level II Trauma Center | Washington 2017–2019

- Directed enterprise security, investigations, and Comprehensive Emergency Management Plan (CEMP)
- Unified preparedness and security governance across hospital network. Launched one of Washington State's first operational healthcare K9 programs, achieving 30% reduction in workplace assaults. Reengineered security and emergency governance across multi-hospital systems and integrated siloed departments into unified enterprise resilience frameworks aligned with executive and board oversight.

Director Business Continuity, Virginia Mason, Seattle, Washington 2012–2016

- Designed enterprise-wide resilience strategy ensuring uninterrupted clinical operations. Integrated business continuity and emergency management under unified governance. Strengthened regulatory alignment and executive reporting.
- Established enterprise-wide business continuity and resilience framework supporting uninterrupted clinical operations and regulatory readiness.

Director Corporate Security, Risk Management, Safety, Giftcertificates.com | Seattle, Washington 2002–2005

- Reduced fraud losses by 15% through control redesign. Reduced staffing costs by 50% while increasing investigative efficiency. Implemented enterprise business continuity framework.

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Director Loss Prevention, Risk Management, Safety, Coinstar Inc. Bellevue, Washington 1999–2002

- Directed enterprise risk strategy across 10,000+ automated retail kiosks. Led investigations involving fraud, counterfeiting, and money laundering.

Principal Consultant, MDN Consulting Group *United States & International* | 1997–1999

- Conducted international risk assessments, executive travel security planning, and country threat profiling.
- Developed executive protection protocols for multinational executives operating in elevated-risk environments.
- Advised organizations on international travel risk management, crisis preparedness, and executive safety strategies.

Director Corporate Security & Executive Protection, Searle Pharmaceuticals (Domestic & International)
1990–1997

- Led the development of domestic and international security program initiatives and intelligence coordination. Established global executive protection program. Security lead on pharmaceutical manufacturing expansion into Russia.

Additional experience includes defense contracting, oil & gas security operations, and precious metals mining security. **Military Veteran + Leadership.**

ENTERPRISE IMPACT

- 30+ years of executive leadership across 13 industries
- Seven-figure financial recoveries through multinational investigations
- 30% reduction in healthcare workplace assaults
- 15% fraud loss reduction and 50% staffing efficiency improvement
- Joint Commission and CMS regulatory readiness
- Public company and healthcare system leadership experience

EDUCATION & PROFESSIONAL CREDENTIALS

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- Bachelor of Science, Administration of Justice – University of Maryland, UC
- U.S. Secret Service Academy, Executive Protection Service
- Business Continuity Certification
- Defense Industry Security Program (DISP) Certified
- FBI DECA Program Trained
- Former Licensed Private Investigator/Security Consultant Texas Department of Public Safety Private Security Bureau

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