

Brian D. Siegal

Brian D. Siegal serves as the director of AJC's Miami and Broward Regional Office where he is responsible for developing ties and working on policy issues with international leaders as well as ethnic and religious, government officials and other community leaders. He runs a board of 50 people and a staff of five in conducting AJC's business in Miami.



In 2011 Brian was named by the Miami Herald as a “20 Under 40” top emerging business leaders in Miami, and in 2010 he was selected by the Florida Jewish Journal as one of eight leaders in the Miami's Jewish Community who are exceling in their industry, making significant impact on the South community and beyond and motivating others to follow their visions. .

Previously, Brian served as AJC's assistant director of Intergroup Affairs, as the coordinator of AJC's Hurricane Katrina Relief Fund helping to allocate over \$1 million to churches and synagogues on the Gulf Coast, and worked with religious leaders around the world including helping to plan a conference in South Africa with the Vatican on HIV/AIDS.

Brian also worked in the British legal system as a Pegasus Trust Fellow through the American Inns of Court Foundation where he assisted British barristers, solicitors and judges and lived in Israel from 2001-2002 and clerked for the Chief Justice of the Israeli Supreme Court and worked at the Israel Democracy Institute.

Brian holds a B.A. in humanities with high honors and a J.D. with honors from the University of Texas at Austin where he focused his coursework on inter-ethnic relations in the United States. He graduated with high honors and was presented the President's Leadership Award. He also holds a two Masters Degrees from New York University.

Brian is involved in many local, national and international organizations working on international affairs and diplomacy including serving as a term member in the Council on Foreign Relations, a Florida Advisory Board Member of the US Global Leadership Coalition and co-chair of the Florida delegation to the USGLC national conference.

In the past few years, Brian was selected as a participant to visit EU institutions in 2014 through the European Union Visitors Program which invites young, promising leaders from countries outside the European Union to visit Europe to gain a first-hand appreciation of the EU's goals, policies and peoples and to increase mutual understanding between professionals from non-EU countries and their EU counterparts. Brian will also be a featured panelist at the Forum 2000 conference in Prague, Czech Republic in October 2014.

Brian has helped build coalitions with other ethnic and religious groups to address critical domestic and international issues including energy security, immigration reform, human rights and civil rights.

In recognition of this work, Brian was appointed by the Miami Dade County Commission as a member of the County Community Relations Board. In 2013, he was the inaugural recipient of Camp Anytown Alumni Award of the National Conference of Christians and Jews, a high school leadership program designed to foster cross-cultural relations in his hometown of Birmingham, Alabama.

Born and raised in Birmingham, Alabama, Brian is married to Rabbi Judith Siegal of Temple Judea in Coral Gables and they have two sons and a daughter.