

As a small business owner, Brian knows how to bring people together to achieve results. He founded Brooktree Capital Management, an investment advisory firm that helps individuals and families oversee their personal financial portfolios. Brian has been involved in the financial services industry for the past 17 years. Prior to that, Brian worked in the food processing business as President and owner of a Grand Rapids, Michigan area food processor employing more than 200 individuals. Brian, a lifetime resident of West Michigan and the 3rd District, has three daughters with wife of 24 years, JoAnn.

Brian, through his strong business background, is acutely aware of the issues confronting Michigan’s 3rd district. He knows how critical it is to support, through smart legislation and limited regulation, small and big businesses alike, which will lead to job creation and a thriving economy. Brian is best described as a fiscal and social conservative Republican who embraces traditional values, limited government, and strong national security.

**Community Involvement**

Brian believes in serving his community and has done so in a variety of ways:

* [**East Grand Rapids Public Schools**](http://www.linkedin.com/search?search=&company=East+Grand+Rapids+Public+Schools&sortCriteria=R&keepFacets=true&trk=prof-exp-company-name)**.** 
  + Board Trustee: 1998 – Present (15 years) East Grand Rapids, Michigan

Served as longest running board president for 8 1/2 years, treasurer for another year and currently serving as vice president.

* [**Kent Intermediate Association of School Boards**](http://www.linkedin.com/search?search=&company=Kent+Intermediate+Association+of+School+Boards&sortCriteria=R&keepFacets=true&trk=prof-exp-company-name)
  + President: July 2013 – Present (2 months) Greater Grand Rapids Area
  + Vice President: June 2012 – June 2013 (1 year 1 month) Greater Grand Rapids Area
* [**D.A. Blodgett - St. John's**](http://www.linkedin.com/company/1261781?trk=prof-exp-company-name)
  + Board Member: 2002 – 2008 (6 years) Greater Grand Rapids, Michigan Area
* [**Michigan Strategic Fund (fka Technology Tri-Corridor Steering Committee)**](http://www.linkedin.com/search?search=&company=Michigan+Strategic+Fund+%28formerly+Technology+Tri-Corridor+Steering+Committee+%29&sortCriteria=R&keepFacets=true&trk=prof-exp-company-name)
  + Committee Member: 2003 – 2006 (3 years) Lansing, Michigan Area

**Education**

Brian’s unique educational background gives him the expertise to bring solutions to Michigan’s financial obstacles.

* University of Michigan: Master’s of Business Administration with a concentration in Finance (1984)
* University of Notre Dame: Bachelor’s of Business Administration with a concentration in Accountancy (1982)