

Mark Briggs
Vice President
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Mark arrived in the United States in 2000 after serving 16 years in the British Army. He was awarded the British Empire Medal in the Queen's Birthday Honors list in 1986 while serving in Hong Kong. Between 1990 and 1998, Mark managed hundreds of events at London's Wembley complex (the complex included the world renowned stadium, arena, conference center, and exhibition halls). During this time, Mark also successfully built and ran a security company that provided services to many venues throughout England. In 1996, along with others, Mark created a software program that today provides computer-based software solutions for pedestrian management, as well as the design of public gathering spaces. Further information on this program can be viewed at www.legion.biz. In 1998, Mark moved to Australia, under contract with the Sydney Olympics Organizing Committee, and was instrumental in the design and management of public areas throughout the Common Domain area of Sydney Olympic Park during the Olympic and Paralympic Games. As well as planning and managing the actual space, Mark was part of the team who recruited, trained, and managed thousands of paid and volunteer staff who worked throughout what could be described as the best "guest" managed Games of the modern era. Following the completion of the Paralympics, Mark moved to the United States on a H1B professional visa and began working as the Director of Security for the home of the New England Patriots.

Since arriving in the United States, Mark has assisted in the successful transition from Foxboro Stadium to Gillette Stadium, advised the National Football League and Major League Soccer on security processes at sporting and entertainment venues, overseen the transition from pre-9/11 to post-9/11 (extensive operational military and intelligence experiences in the British Army have given insights that were not generally available within the United States immediately following the 2001 terror attacks). Mark has been responsible for security operations that have included hundreds of stadium concerts, MLS and International soccer matches, 10 NFL seasons, six Super Bowls, Patriots training camps, as well as the hundreds of stadium trade shows and conferences that take place at Gillette Stadium. In 2007, Mark became Chief Operating Officer of TeamOps LLC, which provides services at other sports and entertainment venues, as well as colleges and corporate businesses.