



## Federal Emergency Management Agency

### **Michael Brown: Deputy Director**

Michael Brown was sworn in as FEMA's Deputy Director in September, 2002, after serving as the agency's General Counsel and Acting Deputy Director. As Deputy Director, Mr. Brown serves as Chief Operating Officer for the agency, assisting FEMA's Director, Joe M. Allbaugh in overseeing the activities of the agency.

Mr. Brown has a broad range of legal experience. He served as a bar examiner on ethics and professional responsibility, as a hearing officer for the Colorado and Oklahoma Supreme courts, and as a special prosecutor appointed by the Police Civil Service Commission in internal affairs. In these positions, he conducted labor relations and contract negotiations, and participated in arbitration and criminal jury trials.

Previously, Mr. Brown served for 10 years as commissioner for an international sports and trade federation, where he created ethical programs, enforcement policies and procedures, and conducted investigations and prosecuted fraud and corruption cases.

From 1988 to 1991, Mr. Brown served as in-house general counsel working in energy, insurance, land use and environmental law, as well as drafting legislation and managing campaigns.

Earlier positions included eight years in private practice, two years as an advisor to the Oklahoma State Senate's Finance Committee and three years as public administrator for Edmond, Oklahoma, where he co-founded joint public-private partnerships for economic development.

A native of Oklahoma, Mr. Brown holds a B.A. in Public Administration/Political Science from Central State University, Oklahoma. He received his J.D. from Oklahoma City University's School of Law. He was an adjunct professor of law for the Oklahoma City University, and active in state, local and national politics.

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