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Isaiah “Ike” Rivers Appointed to Spokesperson for Top Security Board in Industry

ALEXANDRIA, VA (December 2023) – Isaiah “Ike” Rivers, chief security officer for IDA, was named industry spokesperson for the [National Industrial Security Program Policy Advisory Committee \(NISPPAC\)](#).

The organization recommends changes in industrial security policy to the president, the secretary of defense and other executive branch officials. On October 1, 2022, Rivers began his four-year term as a NISPPAC board member.

On October 1, 2023, Rivers was selected as industry spokesperson from among the eight current NISPPAC non-government members. In this role, he engages with various facets of the defense industrial base (DIB), including the governing boards of professional, trade and other organizations with members who work with classified contracts, licenses or grants.

According to the [NISPPAC bylaws](#), the spokesperson serves as the representative to the NISPPAC on behalf of the DIB, coordinating the views of non-government NISPPAC members on national security policy regulations. Rivers is responsible for representing these members at each meeting, advising the chairman to add or remove NISPPAC working groups, assigning industry leads to working groups, and recommending subject matter expertise to working groups. He is also expected to be flexible in attending impromptu government meetings that need industry representation.

“I am extremely honored for this opportunity to represent and bring together perspectives from an organization similar to IDA that will help inform national security policy regulations,” said Rivers. “I look forward to working with the NISPPAC members on this impactful effort.”

Rivers also serves as an executive board member of the Federally Funded Research and Development Center Security Council and is a member of the Industrial Security Working Group, the National Classification Management Society Insider Threat Working Group, and the National Defense Industrial Association. On these and several other security related associations, he serves on numerous working groups that focus on insider threats, physical security, security policy, personnel security, information systems security, and professional mentorship.

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