

## **CHRIS ALSUP**

### **KATHRYN ROSE ALPACA FARM**



Chris Alsup is the co-owner of Kathryn Rose Alpaca Farm along with his wife Julie. To spend more time with their growing children, they decided it was time for Chris to take a step back from the fast-paced corporate world and founded their farm in 2021. He still does some government affairs consulting and serves as Executive Director of a federal IT contractor focused trade association, but spends most of his time learning about and caring for their twenty alpacas.

As a government affairs consultant, Chris leverages his twenty years of government and corporate experience to assist clients with developing and executing strategies to achieve their federal government objectives. As the Executive Director of GovEvolve, Chris assists federal IT Value Added Resellers (ITVARs) with streamlining the government acquisition process.

Chris previously led the North America Government Affairs Team at Dell Technologies in endeavors to promote company priorities among key policymakers. Chris's team successfully collaborated with executive leaders and internal stakeholders to develop and achieve objectives underlying advocacy efforts.

Prior to rejoining Dell in 2016, Chris Alsup served as Chief of Staff for Congressman Michael McCaul (TX-10), now Chairman of the House Foreign Affairs Committee. Chris joined Chairman McCaul's staff after working four years as a Senior Manager in Dell's DC Government Affairs office. Chris previously served eight years with Congressman John Carter (TX-31), the current Chairman of the House Military Construction Appropriations Subcommittee.

Chris graduated from the University of Texas at Austin in 2000 with a Bachelor's in Government Affairs. Later, Chris earned his Certificate in Strategic Security Studies from the National Defense University.

After high school, Chris served as a Logistics Specialist in the 1/508<sup>th</sup> Airborne Infantry in Fort Kolby, Panama. He also served at Fort Cavazos (then Fort Hood), Texas in the 1<sup>st</sup> Cavalry Division. He deployed to Kuwait in 1995 and was honorably discharged as an E-5 in 1996.