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As the Director of Consulting Services at Joiner Trade Solutions, Darrell provides Commerce Control List and Munitions List commodity classifications, U.S. export control licensing strategies, general or customized export compliance training, and export license management for clients of Joiner Law Firm PLLC. He has also provided long-term on-site consulting to assist clients in classification and training.

Darrell was formerly a Senior Electronics Engineer and Licensing Officer in the Office of National Security and Technology Transfer Controls of the Bureau of Industry and Security (BIS). In this position, he provided subject matter expertise for dual-use acoustic sensors, navigation, avionics, marine, and propulsion commodities. At BIS, Darrell was the principal federal official responsible for export licenses, commodity classification requests, commodity jurisdiction review for national security commodities, software, and technology for acoustic and marine products. He has an extensive knowledge of the geophysical exploration industry from an export control perspective and has assisted many exporters in developing export control strategies specific to energy sector.

Darrell was a highly requested speaker for export control seminars and training both nationally and internationally. Darrell also provided technical expertise for the update of the Dual Use and Munitions List of the Wassenaar Arrangement as well as outreach consultation to the governments of Jordan, Malaysia, Thailand, Armenia, Azerbaijan, and Pakistan.

Prior to joining BIS in 2004, Darrell served in the Department of the Navy for 20 years primarily as a project engineer for various surface combatant and submarine sonar systems; and unmanned undersea vehicles.

Professional Associations and Memberships

- Member, Institute of Electrical and Electronics Engineers
- Member, International Compliance Professionals Association
- Member, Association for Unmanned Vehicle Systems International

Education

- Tuskegee Institute, B.S. Electrical Engineering (1984)
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