

Hon. Frank R. Fannon

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The Honorable Frank Fannon currently leads Fannon Global Advisors, a premier strategic consultancy helping business leaders and investors to develop energy and critical minerals opportunities amidst growing geopolitical challenges.

Frank was unanimously confirmed by the United States Senate to serve as the inaugural Assistant Secretary of State for Energy Resources in the first Trump administration. As "America's Energy Diplomat," he led whole-of-government initiatives to open global markets and build resilient supply chains. Frank elevated global awareness that critical minerals and metals are foundational for America's economic competitiveness and national security. He spearheaded bilateral and multilateral efforts to help countries responsibly develop their mining sector and fostered more transparent metals markets.

Frank's diplomatic achievements were informed by extensive private sector experience, including as Managing Director at BHP, where he established and led U.S. Corporate Affairs, expanding the company's American presence and shaping its climate strategy. Previously, as head of Government Affairs at Murphy Oil Corporation, he guided international market entry and managed complex stakeholder relationships across multiple jurisdictions.

Frank helped to shape American energy policy while serving in senior positions on Capitol Hill. As counsel to the U.S. Senate Committee on Environment & Public Works, Fannon helped craft the historic Energy Policy Act of 2005, including the hydraulic fracturing provisions that enabled America's shale revolution. He also served as counsel to Senators Ben Nighthorse Campbell (R-CO) and Pete V. Domenici (R-NM).

Fannon is a frequent public speaker and commentator on the geopolitics of energy and has served on multiple mining, energy technology, and financial industry advisory boards. Frank is a nonresident Senior Fellow at the [Atlantic Council](#), a non-resident Senior Advisor at the [Center for Strategic & International Studies](#), and serves on the [Vandenberg Coalition](#) and [Krach Institute for Tech Diplomacy](#) Advisory Boards.