

Daniel P. Hannaher

Regional Administrator
Region VIII
Denver, Colorado



Daniel Hannaher was appointed by President Obama as SBA's Region VIII Administrator, taking his oath of office on August 31, 2009. The SBA regional office is located in the U.S. Custom House, 721 19th Street, Suite 400, Denver, CO 80202.

A native of Fargo, North Dakota, Hannaher worked in a small business for the past 33 years, serving as President of Hannaher's Inc. an office furniture dealership purveying products and services to eastern North Dakota and western Minnesota. As an active community leader Hannaher has served on numerous boards and foundations throughout the city of Fargo and regional area, including; the MeritCare Foundation, Minnesota Public Radio Board of Directors, Fargo Public Library Board of Trustees, Minnesota State University Alumni Foundation, The Village Family Service Center Board of Directors, and the North Dakota Governor's Employment and Training Forum.

Politically engaged for many years, in 2007 Hannaher was named a Senior Adviser to the *Obama for America* presidential campaign, and chaired the campaign's steering committee in North Dakota. He also led state efforts in the presidential campaigns of U.S. Senator John Kerry, President Bill Clinton, and U.S. Senator Gary Hart. From 1995-1997 Hannaher was chairman of the North Dakota Democratic-NPL Party and has been a member of the Democratic National Committee.

Raised and educated in the Fargo, ND – Moorhead, MN community, Hannaher received a BA degree in American Studies in 1976 from Minnesota State University Moorhead (MSUM). He married Loral Iverson Hannaher in 1979. His wife is currently an adjunct instructor at MSUM. They have a daughter Lily, born in 1996, who is a student in the Fargo Public School's system. He enjoys spending time with his family, bicycling, and reading history and current events.

Region VIII, which includes Colorado, Montana, North Dakota, South Dakota, Utah, and Wyoming, is the most rural region in the nation with 27 separate tribal nations, and over 582,000 square miles of territory within its boundaries. The SBA Region VIII office, headquartered in Denver, Colorado, has 66 permanent employees in seven offices, with a loan portfolio of over 4,000 loans valued at nearly one \$1.0 billion. Management counseling and training for the region's small businesses are provided by 25 chapters of SCORE – Counselors to America's Small Businesses -- a volunteer organization that provides free business education, seven Women's Business Centers, and 61 Small Business Development Centers.

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