

## Brian P. Brooks



Brian Brooks is Chief Legal Officer of Coinbase, an \$8 billion Silicon Valley startup that is one of the largest digital currency platforms in the world. At Coinbase, Brian is responsible for the company's legal, compliance, internal audit, government relations, and global intelligence groups. Brian is deeply involved in the financial technology sector, serving as a member of the board of directors of Avant Inc., a major marketplace lending and technology platform company; a founding advisor of Spring Labs, a blockchain-enabled digital credit bureau; and a Series A investor in FlyHomes, an Andreessen Horowitz-backed online real estate brokerage.

Brian joined Coinbase in September 2018 from Fannie Mae, where he served as Executive Vice President, General Counsel and Corporate Secretary. Fannie Mae, ranked 20th on the 2017 Fortune 500, is the largest financial institution in the United States as measured by its assets of \$3.2 trillion. He previously served as Vice Chairman of OneWest Bank, where he worked closely with future Treasury Secretary Steven Mnuchin and future Comptroller of the Currency Joseph Otting. He was also a member of the board of directors and the executive committee of the California Bankers Association. Brian began his career as an attorney at O'Melveny & Myers LLP, where he served as chair of the firm's financial services practice group, managing partner of the firm's Washington, D.C. office, and a member of the firm's 12-person board of directors. He received his A.B. *cum laude* from Harvard University and his J.D. with honors from the University of Chicago Law School.