



## **Mike Plant**

### **Executive Vice President, Business Operations**

### **Atlanta Braves**

Mike Plant was named the Braves' Executive Vice President of Business Operations in November of 2003. His responsibilities include overseeing all stadium operations, security, finance, personnel and special events, as well as the operations of the minor league clubs.

As part of the Braves executive leadership team, Plant was instrumental in the Braves' efforts to secure SunTrust Park and its mixed-use development, and continues to manage the planning and execution of the construction projects, which are scheduled to open in Cobb County in 2017.

Plant joined the Braves after having served as Executive Vice President of Turner Sports since February 2002. In that position, he was in charge of the day-to-day operations of the division, a \$500-million acquisition, promotion and production company that broadcast approximately 1,200 hours of sports programming on various Turner networks.

Before becoming Executive Vice President of Turner Sports, Plant was President of The Goodwill Games and Vice President of Events for Turner Sports. He was responsible for the overall direction and management of The Goodwill Games, as well as all sports properties acquired by Turner Sports.

Prior to joining Turner Sports, Plant was President of Medalist Sports, a full-service sports marketing company he founded in 1988. Medalist Sports created and operated premier professional cycling events in the United States and China. In addition, Plant was the Associate Executive Director of the U.S. Cycling Federation in Colorado Springs, Colo., from 1986 to 1988 and the Executive Director of the Canoe and Kayak Team from 1985-1986.

Plant was a member of the 1980 U.S. Olympic Speed Skating team in Lake Placid, NY, and a six-time member of the U.S. World Championship speed skating teams. Since 1980, he has been appointed to numerous committees for the U.S. Olympic Committee (USOC), the U.S. International Speed skating Association and USA Cycling. In January 1989, after having served two, four-year terms as the U.S. Speed Skating Athlete Representative on the USOC's Athlete's Advisory Council, he was elected to a four-year term as Chairman. Plant served on the Atlanta Committee for the 1996 Olympic Games (ACOG) Board of Directors and the Board of Trustees for the Salt Lake City Olympic Bid Committee for the 2002 Winter Games.

Plant served two eight-year terms on the USOC's Board of Directors and Executive Committee (1984-1992 and 2003-2011) and as Chairman of the Athlete Performance Group (1992-1996). Plant was President of USA Cycling, the National Governing Body for Olympic cycling, from 1995 to 2002, and is the current President of US Speedskating.

Internationally, Plant is currently serving his second term on the International Cycling Federation's (UCI) Executive Committee. He first served on this committee from 1997 to 2004, and was the Chairman of the Television and Marketing Commission.

In 2004, Plant was elected to a eight-year term (2004-2012) on the Board of Directors of the restructured U.S. Olympic Committee. He was one of only 11 Americans to hold this seat. In 2009, Plant was elected U.S. Olympic Chef de Mission for the 2010 Vancouver Olympic Games.

He and his wife Mary have two daughters, Erika and Maddie, and a son, Drew.