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## Top Skills

Risk Management

Public Speaking

Employee Training

## Certifications

Certified Protection Professional

Certified Protection Professional  
(CPP) ASIS International

Loss Prevention Professional (LPP)

# Keith Aubele CPP, LPP

Walmart & The Home Depot Senior Executive \* Retail Innovator  
\* Profit Builder \* Solution Navigator \* Business Developer \* Asset  
Protection & Operations Leader \* Motivational Speaker \*US Air  
Force Veteran

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## Summary

Keith Aubele is an innovative thought leader, industry subject matter expert, results-driven business strategist with senior executive leadership positions in retail operations, chief security officer, loss prevention, asset protection, shrink management, product movement, risk management, safety, people development, retail growth, organizational management, and training & development.

As founder of Nav1gate, he provides guidance, leadership and business strategy at the C-Suite & ownership level as well as supporting global retailers, manufactures and solution providers.

Some of Nav1gate's distinguished partnerships include Sheetz Corporation, Telaid, Salient Systems, Dri-Mark and others.

His expertise in business execution and guided performance drives bottom line profitability for his clients.

He is the former Global VP of Loss Prevention/Asset Protection & Risk (SVP level) for The Home Depot, and had a tenured career as the Director of Loss Prevention & Retail Operations for Walmart. After leaving The Home Depot, he has led the Nav1gate Group as CEO.

Keith has the unique distinction of being personally mentored by Walmart founder Mr. Sam Walton and The Home Depot founder Bernie Marcus.

At Nav1gate, his team partners with major retailers, product developers, solution providers, and start-ups looking to gain and keep traction in this competitive and margin sensitive industry.

At The Home Depot his team took shrink to the lowest in history & added \$600+ million to the bottom line via critical process change. He oversaw a team of 1000+ management and 1500+ associates and a 100 million dollar annual budget. His team was also responsible for significant safety implementation to stem high risk challenges. He was designated a high succession officer candidate by the CEO.

With 18+ years at Walmart, he was the Director of Loss Prevention responsible for the Supercenter Division and spent time in operations as well. He was one of 3 executives tasked with developing the Neighborhood Market concept for Walmart.

At Walmart he was promoted directly by founder Sam Walton into store operations.

He is the former chairperson for the ASIS Asset Protection Council. He founded the ASIS Northwest Arkansas Chapter. He holds CPP & LPP Certifications.

Keith has a degree in Criminology from Missouri Southern and a Masters Degree in Business from Troy University in Alabama.

Keith is a United States Air Force & Law Enforcement Veteran.

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## Experience

### Salient Systems

Chief Security Officer

September 2021 - Present (4 months)

Austin, Texas

Senior Executive- Retail Veteran - Industry Innovator

### Nav1gate Group Inc.

Founder

March 2002 - Present (19 years 10 months)

Niantic, Connecticut

The Nav1gate Group provides executive level guidance in the area of business operations, retail operations, retail loss prevention and asset protection, risk management, product development and deployment among other business

support offerings. We are focused on improving bottom line profitability, increasing productivity, building strong business cores and delivering proven results.

Along with project work ongoing both nationally and internationally, Nav1gate's founder, Keith Aubele works with top corporations in the retail vertical in the following capacities:

Salient Systems, Austin Texas - Chief Security Officer  
Telaid Corporation, Niantic Connecticut - Senior Advisor  
Sheetz Corporation, Altoona Pennsylvania - Senior Advisor

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The Home Depot  
Global Vice President of Loss Prevention  
January 2000 - March 2003 (3 years 3 months)  
Atlanta, Georgia

Global Vice President of Loss Prevention, Asset Protection, & Chief Security Officer, a Senior Vice President position.

Walmart  
Director of Loss Prevention  
1982 - 2000 (18 years)  
Bentonville Arkansas

Divisional Director of Loss Prevention.  
Director of Loss Prevention Supercenter Division  
Regional Director  
Training Supervisor  
Store Operations, Co-Manager  
District Supervisor LP  
Law Enforcement Officer-WM Security (Springfield Police Department)

Missouri Southern State University  
Adjunct Professor  
September 1997 - January 1999 (1 year 5 months)

Instructed an upper division level courses entitled "Security Management".  
This class was open to Juniors and Seniors at the University.

Springfield Missouri Police Department  
Corporal  
1981 - 1986 (5 years)  
Police Officer - Patrol Division

United States Air Force  
Active Duty  
1975 - 1981 (6 years)  
Active Duty-Honorable Discharge  
Giant Talk ATC (Top Secret-SSI Clearance)  
Combat Crew Communications  
Duty Stations:  
Basic Training-Lackland AFB, TX (Squad Leader)  
Tech School-Keesler AFB, MS (Rope)  
Westover AFB, MA  
Anderson AFB, Guam  
Grand Forks AFB, ND

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## Education

Troy University  
Masters Degree, Business

University of Arkansas  
Retail Leadership, Sam M Walton Business - Retail

Missouri Southern State University  
Bachelor of Science, Criminology

Community College of the Air Force  
NCO - Non Commissioned Officer Training, Military and Strategic Leadership

Federal Bureau of Investigations  
Certificate, Citizens Academy