

Jim Tidwell is a Code Consultant with a long history in fire prevention. He currently provides consulting service to companies with an interest in ICC and NFPA codes and standards.

Jim began his fire service career with the Fort Worth, Texas Fire Department, where he served for 30 years. He served in every rank in the department, including a stint as interim Fire Chief, and spent about ten years in fire prevention as an inspector, supervisor, and fire marshal. After leaving the fire department, Jim worked for the International Code Council (ICC), where he led the Government Relations staff serving state and local governments, including the fire service.

During his career, Jim has served on the Uniform Fire Code Development Committee, ICBO's Fire Risk Assessment Committee, ICC's International Fire Code Drafting Committee, the ICBO board of directors and the ICC board of directors.

Jim continues to be active in a number of fire service organizations, including the International Association of Fire Chiefs, the National Fallen Firefighters' Foundation, and the Congressional Fire Services Institute. His long and distinguished career has been focused on creating a safe environment for both the public and for firefighters through fire prevention, enhanced communication, and technological advances across a wide spectrum of fire service needs.