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Dr. Collard has over three decades of experience in economic and industrial development in both the public and private sectors. He is an acknowledged Subject Matter Expert in Foreign Trade Zones. In November 2025, Dr. Collard founded Collard & Associates Trade Consultancy (CATC), an International Trade Consulting Company. In this capacity he assists companies and governmental organizations in strategic planning, site selection and development, establishing and maintaining contact with governmental oversight agencies, ensuring regulatory compliance, and building organizational capacity to engage in the global economy.

Dr. Collard currently serves as a Vice-chair of the International Inter-tribal Trade and Investment Organization and on the Board of Directors for the Forum for International Trade Training. He is a Fellow and served for eight years on the Board of Directors for the International Economic Development Council.