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### **Professional Summary**

I am a seasoned C-level executive with a passion for people, process, and technology. I have over 25-years of experience leading innovative change in the government and private sector space. I am a detailed, knowledgeable, and capable executive, committed to innovation and driving lasting change in the IT and Cybersecurity space.

### **Skills**

- Effective teacher, speaker, and writer practiced at large public presentations and interpersonal communications.
- Deep understanding of federal government procurement and contracting processes.
- Strong senior-level executive with experience leading large, federated teams with a focus on meeting strategic and operational goals collaboratively.
- Expert at budgetary analysis, capital planning, and budget execution.
- Skilled problem solver and innovative thinker.

### **Work Experience:**

## **Department of the Interior**

1849 C St. NW Washington DC, DC 20240 United States

## 11/2016 – Present Deputy Chief Information Officer Duties, Accomplishments and Related Skills:

I provide executive oversight and leadership for the Department of the Interior (Department, Interior) Information Technology (IT) programs. I provide executive oversight and direction for Interiors \$1.9 Billion in IT investments and lead the development and execution of the Departments Information Resource Management strategic plan. I lead the Department's Zero Trust Architecture (ZTA) initiative completely revamping IT cybersecurity and IT operations. I direct enterprise architecture, data center and public Cloud activities, IT capital planning and investment control and technology business management, portfolio management, program development, IT policy management, IT project management certification, knowledge management, and IT performance management. I ensure an enterprise approach is taken in defining strategies, programs, and architectures to enable the organization to become more agile, innovative, and responsive to business needs. I prepare and present briefings to decision makers on complex and controversial issues and provide expert advice and assistance on a broad range of strategic, innovation, technical and business initiatives. I am the first line supervisor for eight GS-15 employees, and the second- or third-line supervisor for many other employees.

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**U.S. Geological Survey Earth Resources Observation Systems Data Center** 47914 252nd St

Sioux Falls, SD 57198 United States

### 03/2014 - 11/2016

### **Center Information Officer**

### **Duties, Accomplishments and Related Skills:**

I was responsible for the USGS Earth Resources Observation Systems (EROS) Data Center (EDC) Information Technology (IT) resources and infrastructure to include Center-wide Enterprise Architecture, Network Services, End User Services, IT Security, Privacy, Data Center Consolidation, Audit and Compliance Management, Service Level Agreements, and the IT budget. I provided supervision and leadership for the overall direction of Center IT through strategic planning, portfolio management, evaluation, and implementation. I supervised government personnel and provided direction and oversight to the supporting contract staff. I directed and oversaw technology programs, policies, and concepts, and formulate strategy to forecast technology/methodology and identify strategic partnerships. I developed data strategies designed to integrate structured and unstructured data through the merging of metadata standards; the integrated standard allowed the overlay of data types in a machine-readable format meeting the transparency requirements of the Digital Accountability and Transparency Act (DATA). I identified and evaluated emerging technologies to see how they would fit into Center objectives. I built and executed Center Enterprise program management processes. I directed the inventory of IT policy and worked cross-organization to identify and close gaps within current policies and Standard Operating Procedures (SOP). I led IT Project Management standard practices and provided portfolio management for the EROS IT investments. I oversaw IT audit follow-up actions ensuring compliance with the Federal Information Security Management Act, Office of Management and Budget and Department of Homeland Security directives, and National Institute of Standards and Technology guidance. I was a member of the DOI CIO Cyber Security Advisory Council and co-chaired the DOI Data Center consolidation initiative. I was also an advisor to the University of South Dakota Computer Science program.

### **United States Army Europe**

CMR 419 Box 7757 Heidelberg, Baden-Wurttemberg Germany **09/2009 - 03/2014** 

### **Chief Data Officer**

### **Duties, Accomplishments and Related Skills:**

I served as the Chief Data Officer for the United States Army Europe (USAREUR) Intelligence division and had responsibility for the allocation and management of all resources (personnel, financial, and material) associated with intelligence data production, knowledge management, and information collaboration for a three-star command. I set the strategic direction for enterprise data management and knowledge management strategies ensuring an enterprise approach was taken in defining data architecture, governance, and strategy. I developed and established the data management, knowledge management, and information management vision, strategy,

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infrastructure, and architecture. I fostered a culture where data and knowledge were managed as an asset that empowered analysis, decision making, research and operational support. I coordinated with key leaders to capture requirements and worked collaboratively to close strategic gaps ensuring best practices and correct data feeds were leveraged to empower data driven decision-making. I identified, documented, and proposed best strategies for closing knowledge gaps inside and outside of the organization, and proposed methodologies and technologies to streamline and integrate explicit and tacit knowledge sharing. I engaged in longrange strategies and new trends in technology and provided solutions to ensure accurate and timely support to operations at all levels of the organization. I collaborated with senior leadership, program managers, communications leadership, and other key leaders to promote synergy between the analytical community and operational experts. I evaluated tools, systems, information, and data, and identified areas and processes that could be used to expand their applicability/use. I focused the aggregation of data/information into a highly rich metadata knowledge-based structured environment and implemented content management best practices. I provided oversight and guidance to a highly creative and forward-thinking staff. I created and integrated Measures of Effectiveness (MOE) and Measures of Performance (MOP) into the Strategic Campaign Plan and led the cybersecurity accreditation requirements for USAREUR Army Intelligence systems.

## **General Dynamics**

CMR 467 Box 7757
Darmstadt, Hessen Germany
09/2006 - 09/2009

# Senior Data and Knowledge Management Advisor Duties, Accomplishments and Related Skills:

I served as the Senior Data and Knowledge Management Advisor and made recommendations to executive leadership for the allocation and management of all resources associated with data and knowledge management related tasks. I develop and establish the knowledge management vision, strategy, infrastructure, and architecture, and proposed best strategies for closing data and knowledge gaps within the organization. I proposed methodologies and technologies to integrate data sharing and the distribution of knowledge to the customer. I recognized opportunities for improvement through business processes analysis, and reviewed existing tools, systems, information, and data and identified areas and processes that could be improved.

## **Science Applications International Corporation (SAIC)**

CMR 419 Box 158 Schwetzingen, Baden-Wurttemberg Germany 11/2002 - 09/2006

## Senior IT Architect Program Manager Duties, Accomplishments and Related Skills:

I managed and directed 3 subordinate team leaders and 22 IT engineers in the analysis, engineering architectural design, execution, and migration/consolidation of a 65,000-user

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enterprise information technology infrastructure that was geographically located throughout several European countries. I planned and directed the development and implementation of IT systems, guided initiatives for new policies and procedures related to enterprise services to include information assurance, cybersecurity, systems procurement and logistics, maintenance and support, and enterprise configuration. Furthermore, I performed cost analysis to determine annual expenses and return on investment estimates, all while working with government agencies to balance cost initiatives. I worked closely with senior Army leadership to develop broad plans to support overall strategies, decision-making processes, and IT system controls. I supervised the preparation and update of written policies, regulations, and Service Level Agreements. I worked closely with high-level customers and briefed senior leaders and visitors on all activities associated with IT architecture engineering, consolidation, and systems procurement. I offered excellent team building, supervisory and managerial skills guiding team leaders on staff development, training fundamentals, and team motivation techniques. I also provided guidance to team leaders and subordinates on programs and policies.

### **Management Technology**

CMR 419 Box 158 Friedrichsfeld, Baden-Wurttemberg Germany 10/2001 - 11/2002

## **Chief information Security Officer Duties, Accomplishments and Related Skills:**

I was the Chief Information Security Officer and project configuration manager for classified networks in Europe. I planned and designed the infrastructure to protect and transmit US SECRET classified data. I fully met the compliance requirements of National Security Agency directives. I researched and wrote complex technical documentation detailing integration and network performance, capacity planning, testing, and validation.

### **United States Air Force**

CMR 419 Box 788 Sembach, Baden-Wurttemberg Germany 01/1998 - 10/2001

# Chief Information Officer/Chief information Security Officer Duties, Accomplishments and Related Skills:

I served as the Chief Information Officer and Chief Information Security Officer for joint weather operations in Europe. I was responsible for the direction, planning, implementation, organization, budget, and management for all activities associate with Information Technology (IT) and telecommunications.

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## **Education:**

## **American Intercontinental University**

Business Administration (MBA) emphasis in Global Tech

Honors: Magna Cum Laude

Bachelor's Information Technology

Honors: Summa Cum Laude

Community College of the Air Force Associates in Applied Meteorology

### **Certifications:**

Master Certified Knowledge Management Professional

Six Sigma Green Belt

Information Technology Infrastructure Library Foundations

## **Additional Information:**

FAC COR II Certified

Top Secret/SCI Clearance