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Summary

Over 25 years of experience rapidly exploiting Information Technology (IT) to solve critical public sector challenges. Full spectrum of technical, program management, and IT leadership positions within the Air Force and DoD, with significant depth in Disruptive Technology exploitation, Service Oriented Architecture (SOA), logistics systems, software process improvement, and embedded real-time systems. A highly effective, frequently published writer and speaker with a record of excellent leadership outcomes.

Work Experience

01/2007 to present Independent Consultant to US Air Force, Accenture, AVAST, HP, Kaspersky, Symantec, Northrup Grumman, RoundArch, Enterprise Strategies, OneNetwork, US Marine Corps, and FBI and President of the Armed Forces Communications and Electronics Association (AFCEA), Montgomery, AL. Advise companies and government on large software/IT systems and the insertion and exploitation of disruptive technologies. Also work with Security companies to monitor and measure the performance of their IT operations and eCommerce platforms.

10/2002 to 01/2007 System Program Director, Global Combat Support System, Hanscom AFB, MA

Responsible for the cost, schedule, and operational performance of the Global Combat Support System - Air Force (GCSS-AF), a \$1.2B ACAT 1AC program to provide a modernized, n-tier, web-based SOA to host Combat Support Systems. Successfully overcame DoD bureaucracy to introduce several important Disruptive Technologies to increase performance, delivery velocity (time-to-market), and reduce cost: edge caching technology, AJAX principles applied to Portal and Business Intelligence capabilities, SOA, and Webmail. Worked intimately with Industry leading IT companies, AF, Office of Secretary of Defense's, and Joint IT leaders. GCSS-AF was the only program to successfully graduate from the OSD's Rapid Improvement Team (RIT), the DoD's initiative to reinvent acquisition and oversight of IT programs.

02/2002 to 10/2002 Deputy System Program Director, Global Combat Support System – Air Force (GCSS-AF), Hanscom AFB, MA

06/2001 to 02/2002 Director, Combat Support Systems, Program Executive Officer (PEO) for Command & Control and Combat Support, Pentagon, Washington, DC

04/1999 to 06/2001 Branch Chief, Logistics Systems Modernization, Pentagon

10/1995 to 04/1999 Supply Modernization Program Manager and then Executive Officer to the Executive Director, Standard Systems Group, Montgomery, AL

08/1992 to 10/1995 Ph.D. Student, Carnegie Mellon University (CMU), Pittsburgh, PA

09/1990 to 10/1995 Program Manager, Process Initiatives, Software Engineering Institute, CMU

05/1989 to 09/1990 Joint STARS Software Division Chief, Hanscom AFB, MA

02/1986 to 05/1989 Knowledge-Based System Program Manager, Hanscom AFB, MA

Education

Ph.D., Public Policy Analysis and Management, Carnegie Mellon University

M.S., Electrical and Computer Engineering, Louisiana State University, Baton Rouge, LA

B.S., Petroleum Engineering, Louisiana State University, Baton Rouge, LA

Recent Individual & Program Awards

Computerworld Laureate and Finalist, Government Category, 2006; Federal Computer Week's "Top 100", 2005; Association for Enterprise Integration's Outstanding Large Program, 2005; MIT/Accenture "Federal Innovation" award for Major Programs, 2005; O'Neill Acquisition Award finalist, 2003; Organizational Field Grade Officer of the Year, 2002 & 2003; Pentagon Staff (Logistics), Action Officer of the Year, 2001; Defense Systems Management College/OSD Acquisition Research/Communication Award, 1999