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# Summary of Qualifications

* Master’s degree with over 25 years of expertise in information security, including developing, implementing, auditing, consulting, and sales of secure technology solutions.
* Authored 13 books on topics covering information security, compliance, forensics, and auditing.
* Hold multiple certifications: CISSP, AWS CCP, CISA (exp 2015), CCNP (exp. 2014), CCISO (exp 2018), PCI-ISA, ITIL-F.
* Extensive knowledge of security frameworks: NIST SP 800-53, FedRAMP, SP 800-171, CSF, HIPAA, CJIS, PCI DSS, ISO 270xx, CMMC, GDPR, SOC2, CIS, and others.
* Experience managing security relationships across ecosystem partners.
* Excellent problem-solving and critical-thinking abilities.
* Strong communicator with proven public speaking and instructional experience.

# Experience

## VMware Jan 2021 – Present

### Principal Engineer, Security, Compliance, Privacy Engineering (SCOPE), Office of the CTO Dallas, TX

* Optimized cybersecurity product development through the consolidation of product and system security requirements, enabling engineer compliance with a manageable set of requirements. Baseline requirements met FedRAMP HIGH, PCI DSSv4, CMMCv2, SP 800-171r2 (CUI), and others.
* Collaborated to consolidate service development review activities by synthesizing security, compliance, and privacy inputs from more than a dozen stakeholders into a unified questionnaire, significantly reducing business impact during development.
* Improved the efficiency of customer onboarding by reviewing existing business and technical processes to identify roadblocks and opportunities for improvement across development, sales, delivery, and operations.
* Advanced our standing as a leader in technology and cybersecurity by leading engagements with international standards organizations.

## Caveonix Nov 2018 – Oct 2020

### Chief Cloud Cybersecurity & Compliance Architect; Product Management Dallas, TX

* Partnered with cybersecurity architects, product managers, and compliance experts to design advanced cybersecurity risk models as well as customized solutions to drive sales.
* Spearheaded the successful integration of 23 global cybersecurity frameworks and NIST alignment, allowing the company to seamlessly adapt to changing cybersecurity requirements.
* Fostered strong working relationships with government and enterprise customers requiring cloud security and compliance solutions, as well as value-added resellers.

## Oracle Cloud Nov 2017 – Nov 2018

### Cloud Security Strategies & Technical Solutions Architect Dallas, TX

* Provided actionable recommendations for improvements in security tooling, operations, threat management, incident management, and vulnerability management.
* Evaluated the current state and recommended enhancements for Security Tooling, Security Operations, Threat Management, Incident Management, and Vulnerability Management.
* Contributed to a comprehensive security review of the organization's security functions, including Cloud Security for OCIC and OCC.

## Amazon Web Services Nov 2016 – Nov 2017

### Cloud Security Architect; Risk Management & Assurance Senior Consultant Dallas, TX

* Delivered comprehensive training sessions to AWS customers, covering essential best practices in cloud security and compliance covering Concepts such as the Cloud Adoption Framework, Shared Responsibility Model, least privilege, security by design, defense in depth, and IAM best practices.
* Executed security assessments, including for a high-profile client post-breach; and identified vulnerabilities and gaps while ensuring alignment with regulations and best practices.

## VMware (Dell/EMC) Jul 2015 – Nov 2016

### Senior Manager, Global Strategist, Compliance and Cybersecurity Solutions Dallas, TX

* Addressed the security needs of high-profile customers across multiple verticals including global financial services, healthcare, technology, public sector, manufacturing, consulting, etc.
* Utilized subject matter expertise in security and compliance to facilitate the implementation of federal compliance and security initiatives as a trusted business partner.
* Secured $10M in funds to lead the strategic planning, design, and implementation of a FedRAMP Moderate compliant infrastructure within NIST’s NCCoE. Design included Intel, VMware, Cisco, EMC, Coalfire, HyTrust, and McAfee solutions.

## VCE (Dell/EMC) Jan 2011 – Jul 2015

### Senior Manager, Security & Compliance; Product Management Dallas, TX

* Led executive and sales briefings as the customer-facing evangelist for Cloud Security and Compliance.
* Collaborated on initiatives that resulted in over $700 million in tracked revenue, demonstrating the ability to effectively engage and influence key stakeholders.
* Played a pivotal role in ensuring that security considerations were integrated into the product development lifecycle, enhancing the overall security posture.

## Critical Start, LLC Oct 2008 – Dec 2010

### Founder, Principal Consultant Dallas, TX

* Led digital forensics investigations, PCI-DSS compliance assessments, and security training, and participated in industry-specialized groups to advance security standards.
* Managed the assessment and remediation efforts for a global food chain's PCI-DSS compromise, executing under an accelerated timeline to prevent potentially substantial fines for the client.
* Created a cutting-edge Modular Security Training Platform designed to deliver comprehensive security awareness training to address a spectrum of Regulatory compliance concerns.
* Worked within the inaugural Virtualization Special Interest Group in the PCI Security Standards Council, contributing to the validation of virtual firewalls for payment card applications.

## Accudata Systems, Inc. Oct 2009 – Nov 2010

### Compliance and Assessments Solutions Architect Dallas, TX

* Identified and delivered SOWs for various opportunities encompassing PCI, HIPAA, NERC, and FISMA assessments, vulnerability assessments, Disaster Recovery, etc.
* Created a dynamic Rapid Prototyping Pricing Instrument, revolutionizing the customer engagement process.
* Integrated partner technologies (RSA Archer, RSA enVision, RSA DLP, Vormetric, Websense, and NetIQ) to empower enterprises.

## ForeScout Technologies Apr 2006 – Oct 2008

### Technical Presales Engineer and Professional Services Manager Dallas, TX

* Supervised and coordinated a flex team of permanent support engineers and sales engineers
* Responsible for all technical components of the sales cycle
* Solid understanding of sales cycle from initial contact to closing the deal

## Texas Instruments Jul 2001 – Apr 2006

### Senior IT Auditor Dallas, TX

* Led and conducted audits across core business functions including SOx, network devices, financial data warehouse, entity level controls, mobile devices, data centers, and joint customer design extranets.

### Security Architect

* Responsible for architectural security checkpoint reviews for new projects and forensic investigations.
* Tiger team member for several new projects including policy development and global security solutions.

### Wireless Security Architect and Wireless Security Product Manager

* Developed and marketed world's first hardware-based application security model on a mobile processor.
* Created and managed Mobile Security ISV partner ecosystem.
* Drove definition, development, marketing, and business development world-wide.

## United States Navy Nuclear Power Program - Submarines Nov 1991 – Aug 1999

### Nuclear Propulsion Plant Operator Kings Bay, GA

* Special Projects Submarine NR-1 and the USS Nebraska, SSBN 739B.

# Education

* MBA in Information Security, University of Texas at Austin – McCombs School of Business (May 2001)
* BSc in Nuclear Engineering Technologies, Thomas Edison State College (Jul 1999)
* AS in Nuclear Science Technology, Georgia Military College (Nov 1997)

# Certifications

* CISSP - Certified Information Systems Security Professional #10998
* CISA - Certified Information Systems Auditor
* CCISO - Certified Chief Information Security Officer [exp. 2016]
* CCNP - Certified Cisco Network Professional [exp. 2014]
* PCI-ISA - Payment Card Industry – Internal Security Assessor
* ITIL-F - Information Technology Infrastructure Library Foundations
* CCSK - Certificate of Cloud Security Knowledge

# Publications

## Primary Author

Amazon Author Page: [www.itauditbook.com](http://www.itauditbook.com)

* *IT Auditing: Using Controls to Protect Information Assets, 3rd Ed.* (McGraw-Hill/Osborne, 2019)
* *IT Auditing: Using Controls to Protect Information Assets, 2nd Ed.* (McGraw-Hill/Osborne, 2011)
* *Hacking Exposed: Computer Forensics, 2nd Ed.* (McGraw-Hill/Osborne, 2009)
* *IT Auditing: Using Controls to Protect Information Assets* (McGraw-Hill/Osborne, 2007)
* *Anti-Hacker Tool Kit, 3rd Ed*. (McGraw-Hill/Osborne, 2006)
* *Hacking Exposed: Computer Forensics* (McGraw-Hill/Osborne, 2005)

## Contributing Author

* *Hacking Exposed: Computer Forensics, 3rd Ed.* (McGraw-Hill/Osborne, 2014)
* *Computer Security Handbook, 5th Ed.* (John Wiley & Sons Inc, 2009)
* *Digital Crime and Forensic Science in Cyberspace* (IDEA Publishing, 2006)
* *Anti-Hacker Tool Kit, 2nd Ed*. (McGraw-Hill/Osborne, 2003)
* *SANS Securing Windows 2000 Step-by-Step* (SANS, 2001)

# Training and Speaking Opportunities

* Bloomberg TV
* CIO Dive
* VMworld (San Francisco)
* AFS Cybersecurity Summit (Dallas)
* VMworld PEX (Las Vegas)
* RSA Security Conference EMEA
* Security World Expo Dallas
* Security World Expo Scottsdale
* Cloud Security Alliance (Dallas)
* InnoTech Conference (Dallas)
* SpiceWorld (Austin)
* BlackHat (Las Vegas)
* CISA (Austin)
* ConSecWest (Austin)
* CEIC (Las Vegas)
* SANS Fire (Washington DC)
* ISACA Dallas
* ISACA Austin
* ISACA Fort Worth
* ISACA New Orleans
* ISACA Richmond
* SMU Lyle School of Engineering
* University of Texas at Dallas
* McCombs School of Business