John Petote Bio

John Petote is an Angel Investor who has invested in over 90 start-up and early stage companies as well as various VC funds and real estate partnerships. His private company investments include organizations from the following industries: Information Technology; Internet Marketing; Shared Economy; Biotech; Medical Devices; Consumer Goods; and Financial Institutions.

John is the Founder of CIO Solutions and currently serves as the company’s Chairman. CIO Solutions designs and implements customized cloud-based IT solutions and also provides IT management services to both SMB and Enterprise organizations.

John has held sales and technical-related positions in a variety of industries. He currently serves on the Board of Directors for: Pattern Computer; ParentSquare; FutureInReview.com; UCSB Economic Forecast Project; Central Coast MIT Forum; and the United Boys & Girls Clubs of Santa Barbara County; as well as the Scholarship Foundation Steering Committee. John was the recipient of the 2017 South Coast Business & Technology Awards: 'Pioneer of the Year' award.

John's primary skills include assessing startup organizations, mentoring, strategic planning, business development, and creative problem solving. Graduated with honors from the ICM School of Business in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania.