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# Factom Authority Node Proposal

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# Meet the Team

**Collin Lahay** - Founder of [Gambit](#) | [Dragonchain](#), [Viberate](#), and [OpenToken](#)

Advisor - *Discord: GAMiX - CollinCrypto*



Collin graduated from the University of Wisconsin with a degree in Business & Marketing. Collin first entered the cryptocurrency space with his innovative utility token, Gambit, which has been very successful and trades on many exchanges including Bittrex. Collin also founded the Gambit Trading Group that hosts hundreds of well-known cryptocurrency traders, investors, funds, and developers. Collin serves as an advisor for a plethora of blockchain projects including Dragonchain, Viberate, OpenToken, and the Atari Movie (and affiliated tokens). Collin is also the [#1 escrow facilitator on bitrated.com](#).

**Jeremy Quinn** - Marketing Executive | Server and Network Administrator -

*Discord: GAMiX-Jeremy*



Jeremy graduated from Coleman College with a B.S. in Computer Applications & Networking while serving in the U.S. Navy as a Network Engineer/Server Administrator. Jeremy held high-level server and networking administration positions for the Department of Homeland Security and the Mayor's Office of San Diego. Jeremy is currently an equity partner and marketing executive at [iXsystems](#) and [FreeNAS.org](#).

**Joshua Smith** - Open Source Community Administrator and Technology Specialist - *Discord: GAMiX-Josh*



Joshua Smith is the owner and operator of computer and server administration company, SCR, Inc and the Head Administrator for the [FreeNAS community](#). FreeNAS is the #1 Open Source Storage OS with over 10,000,000 downloads to date. The FreeNAS Forums boast traffic exceeding 250,000 monthly visitors and Josh is an expert at managing the politics that comes with a community of this size. Joshua started mining Bitcoin and Litecoin in 2012 using the FreeBSD operating system, and is an expert with many Open Source operating systems including FreeBSD, OpenSuse, Ubuntu, TrueOS, and FreeNAS.

**Václav Navrátil** - Blockchain / Hosting Technology Specialist - *Discord: GAMiX-VACLAV*



Václav Navrátil graduated from Czech Technical University and majored in Computer Science. Václav serves as the system administrator for iXsystems and MODUS Real Estate for over five years and has extensive experience using containerization systems like Docker and Jails. Václav has been mining cryptocurrency since 2011, and is an expert with many types of software and hardware miners.

# Introduction

GAMiX LLC. is a newly established blockchain company headquartered in the U.S. with three teams that span the U.S., Czech Republic, and the Philippines. Most recently, our team has been researching Factom and is excited by the history and technology of this company and open source project. Our diverse group has over 50 years of collective experience building, configuring, and administering servers. We got our start managing Windows NT and Novell Netware 4.11 servers in 1998, and presently support servers running Linux, FreeBSD, TrueOS, and FreeNAS. Our companies have built and managed thousands of servers for companies and institutions like the U.S. Department of Defense, Box.com, Dropbox, Evernote, and Yelp. GAMiX intends to harness this expertise and buying power to provide and maintain up to 2 high-availability Factom M3 Authority Nodes, distributed across the world.

## Our Commitments



- Offer 24/7/364 supervision and technical support for these Authority Nodes.
- 35% of all earned Factoids will be donated to the the Factom Grant Pool.
- First six months are a HODL Period (minimum) on earned factoids to protect price.
- Attend Factom related events and help advocate for adoption by utilizing our diverse backgrounds and connections.
- Contribute to a better decentralized information network by encouraging adoption of applications built on the Factom Protocol within the Gambit Community.
- We currently run the [FreeNAS Forums](https://factomize.com/forums/), we will use our Xenforo/Open Source Forum Community knowledge to help grow <https://factomize.com/forums/>.
- Maintain 4 North American-based Testnet Nodes (Google Compute Engine) regardless of selection to demonstrate our commitment to the Factom project.
- Provide up to 2 Factom M3 Authority Nodes distributed across different geographic areas. We are happy to let the community help determine placement.

## Why GAMiX?

The GAMiX leadership team consists of four individuals with different backgrounds and expertise in different fields and disciplines. Members of our leadership team have served as high-level marketing consultants for Silicon Valley companies, lecturers and advocates of open source operating systems, and experts in different open source technical fields including Linux and Unix-like server management. Not to mention, the founder of the successful and freely traded Gambit (GAM) cryptocurrency, Collin Lahay. By combining forces, GAMiX has created a company that will not only contribute to Factom by hosting Authority and Test Nodes, but will also take the Factom message global with our diverse business experience and backgrounds.

## Hosting and Technology Management Plan

Current Live TestNet Nodes	
United States	Canada
35.184.120.119 - Iowa 35.185.1.181 - South Carolina 35.185.219.153 - Oregon	35.203.4.185 - Montréal

The GAMiX team currently hosts 4 TestNet servers using the Google Cloud infrastructure and has the resources and capability to quickly scale and manage 2 authority servers immediately. GAMiX would prefer to use bare metal, high-availability in-house servers should we be selected, instead of cloud-based platforms to increase the diversity of the Factom authority node network. Harnessing our team's extensive experience managing open source servers, we will be able to ensure the best security and uptime. GAMiX is a close-knit group of IT and blockchain professionals that has been working together for over 10 years and has a U.S. team, Czech Republic team, and a Philippines team. This enables us to have 24/7 server support 365 days a year, allowing us to resolve any issues that may arise in a timely fashion.

Jeremy Quinn currently serves as an equity partner and Digital Marketing Director at [iXsystems](#), a Silicon Valley company specializing in high-end open source servers. As Factom adoption grows and the need for network diversity and more powerful hardware becomes evident, Jeremy will be able to re-invest some of the Factoids earned into purchasing the same high-end iXsystems servers that are used daily for government institutions and Fortune 500 companies alike, to help GAMiX and Factom scale with demand.

## Forecasting and Expenses

We've allocated capital in the amount of \$10,000 to be used to cover initial start-up and operating expenses including hardware acquisition. 35% of Factoids earned will be given back to Factom to help complete Factom-related projects. GAMiX is planning to set aside tax liabilities any time there is a dispersal of funds. This will help us avoid the volatility surrounding the cryptocurrency market by planning our approach ahead of time.

## Our Influence

[Collin Lahay](#) - is the founder of Gambit and is the number one rated escrow facilitator on [bitrated.com](#). Gambit is one of the oldest and most trusted cryptocurrency groups in the world and hosts hundreds of influential and well-known investors in the cryptocurrency space that pay using the Gambit ([\\$GAM](#)) utility token. These influential members have massive Twitter followings and some host popular crypto podcasts and YouTube channels. Collin also serves on the [Dragonchain](#) leadership team.

[Jeremy Quinn](#) - Equity partner and an Executive Marketing Director for iXsystems, which builds enterprise servers for 1000s of companies around the world, including the Department of Defense, NASA, Symantec, Groupon, and Yelp. During his time in Silicon Valley, Jeremy has built an extensive network of high-level executives, and IT professionals specializing in open source and cryptocurrency alike.

## Our Dedication to Factom

GAMiX was born from the idea that innovative blockchain solutions and technologies can help shape the world during the Digital Age. We believe that Factom is the solution that will bridge the technology gap between businesses and blockchain technology by providing easy to use solutions that will integrate with different types of businesses. In essence, Factom has solved a problem that **needed** to be solved, and as such, is poised for broad adoption. Our experience driving open source and cryptocurrency-related projects has taught us that collaboration is key when working to drive adoption.

We believe that with our technical expertise, that GAMiX is the perfect candidate to work with the Factom team to operate Authority Nodes, but we're not interested in being only a technical partner. Instead, we want to help carry the message to people all over the world, and help drive world-wide adoption of the Factom protocol. Thank you very much for your consideration, and we look forward to your response. - *The GAMiX Team*