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Information Security & IT Leadership Executive

CISSP-certified cybersecurity and IT leader with 20+ years of experience protecting enterprise systems, implementing security frameworks, and managing risk across multiple industries. Proven track record in developing forward-looking security strategies, driving regulatory compliance (SOX, GDPR, HIPAA), and leading high-performing cross-functional teams. Skilled at aligning security initiatives with business objectives to mitigate threats, strengthen operational resilience, and support innovation.

Core Competencies

- Cybersecurity Strategy & Governance
 - Risk Management & Threat Mitigation
 - Regulatory Compliance (SOX, GDPR, HIPAA)
 - Incident Response & Disaster Recovery
 - Vulnerability Management (Qualys, SIEM)
 - Cloud Security (AWS, Azure, O365)
 - Data Governance & Loss Prevention
 - Security Awareness & Training
 - Change Management & Policy Development
 - IT Leadership & Cross-Functional Team Management
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Professional Experience

Director of Information Technology | Gibsons Pressure Grouting Services, Atlanta, GA

April 2025 – Present

Lead enterprise IT and cybersecurity strategy to protect critical assets and enable business growth.

- Designed and executed comprehensive IT and cybersecurity programs aligned with business objectives and regulatory requirements.
- Developed policies for data governance, access management, and incident response, fostering a culture of security and compliance.
- Oversaw vulnerability management, threat detection, and remediation with cloud-native security platforms
- Implemented and managed Microsoft 365, Intune, and Defender services to enhance productivity and security posture.
- Evaluated emerging technologies and threat landscapes to proactively adapt security strategies.

Business Information Security Advisor / Cybersecurity Analysis Manager | Cox Automotive, Atlanta, GA

August 2015 – March 2025

Directed enterprise cybersecurity and risk management for Autotrader, KBB, and Dealer.com.

- Led cross-functional teams to implement secure DevOps for cloud-native applications.
- Reduced security incidents by 35% through proactive monitoring, threat mitigation, and SIEM integration with 24x7 SOC.
- Oversaw cloud security, identity and access management, application security, and incident response programs.
- Deployed Web Application Firewalls (WAF) and DDoS protection, improving uptime and reducing service disruptions by 90%.
- Conducted CIS Top 18 control assessments, improving compliance maturity.
- Championed a security-first culture, mentoring team leads and aligning product delivery with enterprise risk objectives.

Senior Systems Engineer II | Bank of America, Atlanta, GA

2005 – 2015

Managed systems and platform optimization, enhancing security, uptime, and regulatory compliance.

- Led teams supporting critical check imaging systems with 400+ UNIX/Linux servers.
- Implemented PCI-compliant security protocols and infrastructure hardening strategies.
- Mentored application support teams to ensure timely issue resolution and operational continuity.

Information Systems Team Lead | Colonial Pipeline, Atlanta, GA

2002 – 2005

Directed IT team to design, implement, and manage enterprise-level IT solutions.

- Established redundant communications to ensure 24/7 operations.
- Migrated 30,000 Windows 2000 hosts to centralized Active Directory management, improving security posture and support efficiency.
- Implemented incident response ticketing system for emergency operations.

Education & Certifications

- **MS, Information Technology** – Kaplan University, GPA 3.8
 - **BS, Information Technology** – Strayer University, GPA 3.7
 - **CISSP** – Certified Information Systems Security Professional (ID: 519158)
 - **MSCE** – Microsoft Certified Systems Engineer (ID: 2452046)
 - **CCNA** – Cisco Certified Network Associate (ID: CSCO10217232)
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