# Dr. Rod Taylor

#### **Cybersecurity Practitioner and Leader**

A leader with a hands-on background, with over 15 years of expertise in IT security, compliance, and leading security programs / initiatives in the private and government sectors.

**A leader who can develop others,** successfully built teams in the Army, Fortune 500, and small and medium-sized organizations alike.

**Client focused,** with the ability to speak to internal and external customers to gain support and buy-in. Fluent in cybersecurity, risk management, project management, and analysis.

## **PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE**

Team Lead - CISA/DHS, Seattle, WA 2/2023 – Present SVP - Citibank, Jacksonville, FL 3/2020 - 10/2022 Professor/Facilitator - Multiple Universities, 7/2017 - 2/2020 Project Manager - Keller Group, Miami, FL, 2016 - 6/2017

Led program management and consulting engagements with other leaders, cross functional, and sales teams. Performed executive-level cyber tabletop exercises, vulnerability management, status tracking, auditing, and management of an organization-wide information security program for a **Fortune 500 company.** 

- Saved 3 Mil in infrastructure costs to an organization.
- Technical lead for the Risk & Controls line of business.
- Developed 10 peers and associates to achieve security certs.

#### Governance, Risk & Compliance Senior Manager

US Army, 2008 - 2016

Served as an enterprise system security manager, compliance engineer, and risk and governance lead for the **United States Department of Defense**.

- Researched, assessed, and analyzed risk, issues, and trends: controlled the security posture of classified computing systems.
- **Turned around underperforming staff** to win four out of four commendable inspection ratings.
- Implemented individual NIST controls hundreds of times.
- Assisted with completing full lifecycle project management, e.g., conception, planning, development, testing, evaluation, production, operations, maintenance and/or distribution.

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### SKILLS

Documented successes in leading Hands on IT Security experience Compliance frameworks (ISO, NIST, PCI) Integrating the business and INFOSEC Public speaking in front of large groups Project management & teaching expertise

# HIGHLIGHTS

**Led** an organization of 300 people while in the US Army. Individually accountable for everything the company did or failed to do.

**CISSP, CISM, CISA, CRISC** and seven other sought after certifications. Interested in gaining additional technical certifications.

**Strong experience** in tabletop exercises, vulnerability management, network security, auditing, risk, and compliance.

Unapologetically developed partnerships with stakeholders to reach objectives while using NIST, CISA, PMI, other best practices.

## EDUCATION

**Master of Science**, **Cybersecurity** Grand Canyon University, Phoenix, AZ

**Doctor of Business Administration** CIU, Irvine, CA

Master of Science, Admin of Justice University of Phoenix, Phoenix, AZ

Undergraduate degrees in **computer information systems, education** 

Summa cum laude, and US Army Strategic Studies Fellow