**Jason Gropper, PMP, CISSP, ICAgile**

**Active Top-Secret Clearance**

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**Summary of Overall Qualifications:**

Industry cyber market lead, business transformation specialist, program manager, and systems engineer with over 23 years of experience leading large DoD, Federal Public Sector, and individual task orders for over 15 Government Agencies**.** As program manager, **managed over thirty IT and cybersecurity contracts including Departments of Energy, DoD, NIH, EPA, HUD, SBA, and Homeland Security**. Programs included IT, engineering, cyber integration, administration, and strategic management contracts. Manage cyber portfolio activities as a PMO manager at NPPD and CISA. Project Manager for DEFEND E, a $668M cybersecurity task order. Managed geographically diverse TOs across the US and overseas. Engineering Leadership on $1B DEFEND D, the largest CDM program (Continuous Diagnostics and Mitigation), providing DHS engineering leadership to both large federated and smaller important Federal Civilian agencies including the GSA, SSA, Treasury, and HHS.

Domain **expertise in enterprise cyber and IT lifecycle management**, strategic risk management, and quality control. Conduct oversight, tracking, and technical direction to multiple program teams deployed across the public sector on behalf of the Federal Government. Supported DHS implementation of its’ System Engineering Life Cycle (SELC). Worked as a functional and managerial lead for all phases of the hardware and software systems development lifecycles. I have received multiple commendations and awards for customer satisfaction and exemplary performance. Maintained and built hardware labs, designed Security Operations Center guidance and operations, and provided CIO’s with forward leaning direction for systems planning.

Key Skills:

* Manage strategic business capture, proposal activities, and customer engagement across disparate stakeholder sets
* Perform enterprise architecture review for IT and cyber modernization programs
* Multi-disciplinary delivery management approach for cross functional systems alignment to drive efficiency and meet developing capabilities

Hold a **Master’s in Systems Engineering** specializing in systems of systems, software and hardware integration for mission critical systems.

Hold a **Master’s in Public Policy** specializing in management, communications, and leadership of the public sector strategic business process.

**Chronology of Professional Experience**

**Title: Chief Technologist; Health Market and Engineering Lead (SIM)**

**Employer: Booz Allen Hamilton**

**Dates of Employment: 05/06/19 to Current**

**Cyber Health Market Lead**, building cybersecurity account leadership for a diverse $70M portfolio of life science, IT, and cyber programs with a focus on the NIH. Developing strategic capture and growth strategies to improve Government's return on investment and protection against cyber threats. Program focus includes CDM, Risk Management Framework, Security Assessment & Authorization, and developing enterprise cyber capabilities across markets.

**Engineering Lead for DEFEND Delta**, a CDM effort working across 5 large Federal Agencies to improve overall cyber posture and reduce enterprise risk. As Engineering Lead and System Integration Manager to DEFEND Group D, provided oversight and management of all applied engineering efforts applied to CDM Solution delivery for a $1 Billion+ scope 6-year program. Lead application of over 250 resources, refinement of delivery approach, and process improvement across the organization. Developed frameworks to streamline delivery including DevSecOps and ITIL/ITSM based delivery models. Main point of contact for stakeholders within the Group D agencies and the DHS CDM PMO. Collaborated with other Booz Allen stakeholders across the organization as necessary to leverage upcoming required CDM capabilities to provide customer with increased efficiency, better potential solutions, and a clear roadmap for COTS product integration. Provided organizational leadership of all main groups supporting cyber security tool delivery including architecture, integration, operations, and process improvement.

**Title: Senior Cybersecurity Program Manager**

**Employer: ManTech International, Inc.**

**Dates of Employment: 11/30/15 to 03/29/19**

**DEFEND E CDM Program Management**, a $687M enterprise civilian sector deployment of cyber security COTS tools and services across nine Federal Agencies (ED, EPA, FDIC, HUD, HUD-OIG, NRC, NSF, SBA, and SEC). Lead and supervise a multi-disciplinary team of 150 cybersecurity specialists and engineers on CDM across 19 subcontract partners, including: architecture and Agile design teams, operations staff, deployment management, customer service advocacy, testing, incident response, and governance personnel.

Provide system engineering and system engineering lifecycle support as needed. Manage technical and programmatic execution of new system and technology instantiation. Track and manage cost controls, interface with customer needs, and track risks. Provide direction to subcontractor teams from multiple domains. Provide support to IDIQ level needs as requested.

Provide technical advice to customers on potential technical and programmatic impacts to integration activities that could prevent successful completion of program objectives. Reviewed and authorized task execution for ITSM strategies for to ensure goals. Executed reports and planned and delivered services in accordance with client requirements and expectations, best practices, quality standards, and budget constraints. Developed schedules, resourcing, and performance management planning that ensured customer satisfaction.

Managed individually tailored COTS deployments of Hardware and Software Asset, Configuration Settings, and Vulnerability Management capabilities for CDM cybersecurity integration projects, including meeting all DHS SELC milestones and operations for Tier II and Tier III help desk. Provided program insight to divisional CDM PRIV, TO2A, and TO2F contract deployments, including standardization of deployment approaches across large heterogeneous environments. Lead technical direction on asset and identity tool application and delivery into five large federated federal civilian agencies.

**Title: Principal and Program Manager**

**Employer: Strategic Alliance Business Group, LLC (SABG) / FEDNOVA, Inc.**

**Dates of Employment: 04/01/14 to 11/30/15**

Owned and operated a consulting firm that provided services to over 13 clients in web development, content management, cybersecurity analytics, and professional services. For SABG, manage SMEs on the TSA National Policy and Plans Branch support contract. Assist in the development of all Strategic Plans for both the Transportation Systems Sector and the OSPIE planning branch. Stood up multiple cross functional teams, working groups, and public and private collaborative meetings. Enhanced the professionalism, graphic design, use of IT tools, and IT collaborative meetings for the program. Instilled ISO 9001:2008 quality practice. Established configuration management process for contract operations and deliverable products. Manage the cyber security mission and preparedness discussion in context to critical infrastructure protection.

**Title: Vice President; Homeland and Cyber Security Operations**

**PACTS I Program Manager**

**Employer: Kingfisher Systems, Inc.**

**Dates of Employment: 06/26/2006 to 03/30/2014**

In the role as Vice President for Public Sector Security, responsible for the success of Kingfisher’s portfolio of cyber and Homeland Security operations. Manage and provide direction and guidance to multiple project teams working concurrently under contracts to support DHS agencies (National Counterintelligence Executive (NCIX), Transportation Security Administration (TSA), U.S. Coast Guard (USCG), Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms, and Explosives (ATF)), the Department of Energy (DOE), the Department of Labor (DOL), and the Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC). Stood up and maintained a Cyber Center of Excellence (CoE) for investigating new solutions and best practices for government customers. Manage the application of successful program management solutions and processes including ISO 9001, Capability Maturity Model Integrated (CMMI), Earned Value Management (EVM), Six Sigma, and Information Technology Infrastructure Library (ITIL) for customer use.

For the **Office of Critical Infrastructure and Cyber Preparedness at the Transportation Security Administration (TSA)***,* led the successful efforts of over 500 employees and 12 teams todevelop Transportation Systems Sector-Specific protection strategies under the National Infrastructure Protection Plan (NIPP). In this role, developed risk management methodologies that map to existing Enterprise security frameworks such as SABSA. Under these strategies teams implemented strategic and tactical plans and built cyber security working groups and committees to support public/private partnership.

For the **National Protection and Programs Directorate (NPPD)**, successfully managed Integrated Project Teams (IPT) and IT leaders to streamline project guidance throughout the system development lifecycle and track multiple programs.

**Title: Program and Project Manager**

**Employer: Northrop Grumman/TASC**

**Dates of Employment: 01/02/2001 to 05/15/2006**

Served as the Project Manager for mission-critical systems integration projects in the Intelligence Community. In addition to the typical Project Manager focus on schedule, cost, and resource allocation management, successfully provided systems engineering support, defined requirements, and contributed to core system architecture, security, design, and performance specifications.

**Education:**

M.S., Public Administration, 2017

 University of Arizona/Ashford, Chandler, AZ

M.S., Systems Engineering, 2004

 Old Dominion University, Norfolk, VA

B.S., Management Information Systems, 2000

 George Mason University: Business School, Fairfax, VA

**Certifications:**

ICAgile Certified - 2020

Project Management Professional (PMP), since 2001

ISC2 Certified Information Systems Security Professional (CISSP) - 2017

Lean-Six Sigma Green Belt, 2018

TASC SE I & II Systems Engineering Certification

Certificate in Network Administration from George Washington University

CMMI Training certification from Northrop Grumman IT

**Awards:**

Full Technical Award fee for cost-plus contract delivery (multiple years)

ManTech Performance Recognition Award

Work Performance Excellence Award from TSA Chief Information Officer (CIO)

Program Management Corporate Excellence Award from Kingfisher Systems, Inc.

Multiple (6) Spot Awards for Excellence & TASC TAP Awards for Outstanding Customer Support from Department of State, US Marine Corps, and Intelligence Agencies

**Security Clearances (if applicable):**Top Secret (Active), DHS Suitability (EOD)