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SECURITY CLEARANCE

Active Top Secret / Sensitive Compartmented Information (TS/SCI)

PROFESSIONAL SUMMARY

Principal Senior Program Manager with 22+ years leading Department of Defense (DoD) cyber and communications programs supporting U.S. Space Force (USSF) operations. Proven success delivering large-scale network modernization, cybersecurity, across multi-site environments. Expert in stakeholder alignment, contract execution, Performance Work Statement (PWS) and Statement of Work (SOW) compliance, and mission-critical delivery.

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Senior Technical Program Manager Aug 2025 – Jun 2026

Ciena GSI | Vandenberg Space Force Base, CA | SONET-to-DWDM Migration, Phase 2A / SLD 30

- Directed 30 million-dollar end-to-end delivery of a high-visibility Synchronous Optical Network (SONET)-to-Dense Wavelength Division Multiplexing (DWDM) hardware migration, aligning engineering, operations, and customer stakeholders to meet mission-critical timelines across Vandenberg SFB's fiber network. *Concurrently managed the completion of DWDM Phase 4 contract below.*
- Established and enforced a standardized delivery framework and Integrated Master Schedule (IMS) methodology compliance, improving execution efficiency and on-time task completion.
- Tracked program performance against Performance Work Statement (PWS) requirements; proactively communicated status, risks, and dependencies — achieving 95% stakeholder satisfaction rating.
- Leveraged innovative combinations of existing technologies to enhance network reliability and optimize technical performance across 7 mission-critical network segments.

Program Manager Sep 2024 – Dec 2025

Alvarez, LLC | Vandenberg Space Force Base, CA | DWDM Phase 4 / SLD 30

- Served as prime contract Program Manager for 3 million-dollar DWDM Phase 4, directing 3 subcontractors and managing multiple site installation activity at Vandenberg SFB.
- Delivered Dense Wavelength Division Multiplexing (DWDM) network modernization, enhancing and optical fiber data transport capacity improving overall fiber network performance.
- Delivered program scope, schedule, and Statement of Work (SOW) / Contract Data Requirements List (CDRL) compliance; drove disciplined execution through governance, risk management, and structured stakeholder reporting to ensure on-time delivery.
- Managed program financials including budgeting, forecasting, Earned Value Management (EVM), and cost control across a multi-subcontractor environment.
- Oversaw supplier and subcontractor performance, ensuring alignment with program objectives and contractual obligations.
- Identified and mitigated program risks, implementing initiative-taking strategies to minimize impact to cost, schedule, and performance.
- Built and maintained strong customer relationships, serving as primary interface for internal leadership and Government stakeholders.

Program Manager, FCCC Director & Prime Contract Lead Jan 2021 – Sep 2024

Tyto Athene GSI, LLC | Vandenberg Space Force Base, CA | SPICES Contract, USSF Space Operations Command (SpOC)

- Directed all contract operations for Cyberspace Acquisitions and Contract Lead (CACL) and Defensive Cyber Operations (DCO) functions, managing contract personnel across Vandenberg SFB, Schriever SFB, and Buckley SFB on this 3.6 million-dollar contract.
- Supervised a multi-discipline contractor team of 30+ personnel supporting HQ SpOC General Services, Delta 6 Space Weapon Systems, and Mission Defense Teams (MDTs) — including DCO analysts, Cyber Intelligence analysts,

Knowledge Managers, Information Technology (IT) Support Desk analysts, and IT Operations/Intelligence Liaison personnel.

- Tracked cyber tasking orders to completion and Plan of Action & Milestones (POA&M) progress across 7 installations: Buckley, Schriever, Peterson, Patrick, and Vandenberg Space Force Bases, Los Angeles Air Force Station, and the U.S. Air Force Academy.
- Facilitated Cyber Protection Team (CPT) deployments and supported cyber intelligence research and analysis in compliance with DoD Risk Management Framework (RMF) requirements.
- Tracked and approved team timesheets.
- Monitored and delivered trend analysis from Cyber Readiness Inspections (CRI) for Space Force Space Command installations.
- Supported cybersecurity of command and control and common-user systems in support of U.S. Space Command (USSPACECOM), applying National Institute of Standards and Technology Special Publication 800-53 (NIST SP 800-53) controls and Defense Information Systems Agency Security Technical Implementation Guide (DISA STIG) compliance standards.

Program Manager, ACCC Director & Contract Lead Aug 2018 – Dec 2020

MSI Universal, Inc. | Vandenberg Air Force Base, CA | ACCC Contract, USSF SpOC

- Served as USSF Air Force Forces Communications Control Center (ACCC) Director, providing cyber defense services to Commander, Space Operations Command (SpOC).
- Directed a team of 23 personnel across multiple U.S. locations, issuing cyber tasking orders to space weapon systems and Mission Defense Teams (MDTs).
- Tracked cyber tasking orders to completion and Plan of Action & Milestones (POA&M) progress for Buckley, Schriever, Peterson, Patrick, and Vandenberg Air Force Bases, Los Angeles Air Force Station, and the U.S. Air Force Academy — 7 installations total.
- Facilitated Cyber Protection Team (CPT) deployment supported by cyber intelligence research and analysis.
- Monitored and produced trend analysis from Cyber Readiness Inspections for Air Force Space Command installations.

Senior Project Manager, DCO Lead Aug 2017 – Aug 2018

AT&T | Vandenberg Air Force Base, CA | CASP II Contract, 14th Air Force

- Led Defensive Cyber Operations (DCO) team and supervised operations for the Air Force Forces (AFFOR) Communications Control Center (ACCC) in support of 14th Air Force (14 AF / Air Force Space Command (AFSPC)) cyberspace operations. Provided Subject Matter Expert (SME) guidance and analytical support to 14 AF cyberspace operations activities.
- Facilitated cyberspace operations orders from 24th Air Force (AFCYBER); authored subordinate orders tailoring tasks to space system technical details using Air Forces processes.
- Coordinated with U.S. Strategic Command (USSTRATCOM), U.S. Cyber Command (USCYBERCOM), AFSPC, AFCYBER, and subordinate units to clarify, de-conflict, and track tasks for cyberspace operations on AFSPC portions of the Air Force Network (AFNET).
- Tracked task completion to subordinate units and provided guidance to assist with completion across the enterprise.

Senior Cybersecurity Analyst Jun 2014 – Aug 2017

InDyne, Inc. | Vandenberg Air Force Base, CA | WROCI Residual Contract, Joint Space Operations Center (JSpOC)

- Managed cybersecurity programs for 14th Air Force, Joint Functional Component Command for Space (JFCC Space), 614 Air Communications Squadron (614 ACOMS), and 614 Air Operations Center (614 AOC), serving as primary cybersecurity point of contact across four organizations.
- Designated in writing as 614 ACOMS Information System Security Officer (ISSO) and Emission Security (EMSEC) Monitor.
- Created and implemented the first-ever Cybersecurity Checklist Quicklook program for engineered projects.
- Achieved Excellent rating in Cyber Readiness Inspection.

IT System Security Analyst Jan 2009 – Jun 2014

InDyne, Inc. | Vandenberg Air Force Base, CA | WROCI Contract, Western Range

- Served as primary Information Assurance (IA), Emission Security (EMSEC), Computer Security (COMPUSEC), and IA Awareness Program (IAAP) Manager for the Western Range; primary point of contact for all IA issues including Classified Message Incidents (CMIs) and Malicious Logic Incidents.

- Authored, edited, and published the Western Range Systems Disaster Recovery Plan, establishing the organization's first formal continuity of operations document.
- Provided Subject Matter Expert (SME) guidance, training, and direction to IT security staff and Western Range users on information assurance matters.

Senior Communications Controller Jan 2004 – Dec 2009

InDyne, Inc. | Vandenberg Air Force Base, CA | WROCI Contract, Western Range

- Administered the Western Range Network Segment Communications systems, including launch and training voice, video, Ultra High Frequency (UHF) / Very High Frequency (VHF) / High Frequency (HF) radio, and associated infrastructure.
- Provided technical and administrative support for Western Range servers, workstations, and communications equipment across the installation.
- Directed maintenance for Inside/Outside Plant, Records, Command Control Center, Microwave, Timing, Countdown, HF Transmitters/Receivers, Remote Radar, and Radio Frequency (RF) & Video systems; coordinated with DoD Air Force, NASA, and partner agency personnel.
- Certified as Senior Communications Controller; operated WR Orion Voice Switch, UHF/VHF/HF radio systems including Global HF, Stencil Voice Recorders (Digital and Analog), and WR Alarm/Monitor Systems (CCMS, BADGER) per Range Standardization Authority (RSA IIA) standards.
- Designated Work Group Manager (Information Assurance); managed client/server operating systems and user account lifecycle.

EDUCATION

Graduated from Lompoc Senior High School, Lompoc, CA, Diploma Jun 1982

University of Maryland Overseas Division — Computer Science coursework

San Jose State University — Journalism & Advertising coursework

Alan Hancock College — Journalism coursework

CERTIFICATIONS

Senior Communications Controller, Air Force, Jan 2004, CompTIA Security+, CompTIA Credential ID COMP001011009616; Artificial Intelligence Certificate Program, Apr 2026, Coursiv, Credential BPPJMT2G; Enhancing Program Management with AI, LinkedIn, Mar 2026; Compliance and Regulations for Generative AI, LinkedIn, Mar 2026; Top 10 Rules for Highly Effective Leadership, LinkedIn, Oct 2022

MILITARY SERVICE

U.S. Navy | October 1985 – April 1994 | Petty Officer Second Class (PN2 / E-5) | Honorably Discharged

Military Honors: Armed Forces Expeditionary Medal; National Defense Service Medal; Sea Service Deployment Ribbon (3rd Award); Southwest Asia Service Medal with Bronze Service Star; Good Conduct Medal (2nd Award); Navy Achievement Medal; Navy Commendation Medal; Overseas Service Medal (2nd Award).

CORE COMPETENCIES & TOOLS

Core Skills: Program Management | Supervisory Management | Stakeholder Briefings & Executive Communications | Information Technology | Configuration Management | Technical Training | Strategic Thinking | Data & Information-Driven Operations | Incident Response | DoD Compliance | NIPR/SIPR/JWICS Environments | AI Productivity | AI for Business

Tools & Platforms: Microsoft Office Suite (Word, Excel, PowerPoint, Outlook) | SharePoint | Visio | MS Project | BMC Remedy | Jira | HelpDesk Pro | Deltek Costpoint | AIS Security Tools | eMASS

AI Platforms: ChatGPT, Claude, Gemini, Perplexity, Microsoft Copilot, Claude Code, and generative AI productivity tools