

Key Players



BACKGROUND

The quality of a consulting company lies squarely on the quality of their consultants first, and then the quality of their service offerings.

Clear Skies was founded by a team of elite security professionals, each bringing 10+ years of experience in the security industry, all with a specialty in security assessments. These original founders, all long time veterans of Internet Security Systems (ISS), have proven success in building a thriving consulting practice from the ground up. Additionally, all of the highly skilled resources are available throughout the lifecycle of the project and will be available to clients through both the sales and delivery processes.

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KEY PLAYERS



Brad Mackenzie
CEO

Formerly the Global Manager for Penetration Testing at ISS, Brad is now responsible for setting the long-term strategy of the company and managing the daily financial requirements in order to maintain long-term growth objectives. Brad formally entered the security space in 1993 with the Information Security Research Center at the Queensland University of Technology and worked on the Australian Army Command and Control System.



Rick Belisle
COO

Formerly the Americas Delivery Manager at ISS, Rick is now responsible for day-to-day operations of the business from pre-sales support, managing project engagements, forecasting sales and delivery figures, and completing monthly billing. Rick has been involved in information security since 1994 when he was a Military Intelligence Officer in the Army's first ever counter cyber-warfare unit, and then moved into the commercial sector as a security practice manager at Sprint Paranet.



Scott Miles
Principal and R&D Manager

Formerly a Principle Consultant at ISS, Scott is responsible for conducting customer engagements and driving new testing methodologies through advanced research and evangelizing new security issues for the benefit of our customer's through the company website. Scott contributed to the creation of ISS Internet Scanner in the early 1990s and has experience in software engineering and security management at IBM Global Services and VerticalOne Corporation.



Greag Johnson
Principal and IT Manager

Formerly a Principle Consultant at ISS, Greag is responsible for conducting customer engagements and architecting the IT infrastructure necessary for business operations. Greag morphed a career in IT engineering and management in the mid 90s to focus on security technologies and services at INS / Predictive Systems.



Cory Eubanks
Principal Consultant

Formerly a Principle Consultant at ISS, Cory is responsible for conducting customer engagements. Cory has been working in Information Technology for 20 years, and specializing in security for over 12 years. Cory started his career at the National Security Agency (NSA) as a Cryptographic Analyst and then managing large scale Unix implementations in the restaurant sector. Cory has also previously held the PCI QSA and PA-DSS certifications and brings additional insight in to these regulatory assessment projects.

R&D STRATEGY

Similar to Google's development mantra, Clear Skies will require that all consultants spend 20% of their time conducting vulnerability research. The purpose of this is not to be a true R&D organization, but rather to provide constant continuing education as

well as sharing relative security updates with our customers. The goal will be to allow the team to research new technologies during their R&D time and not while at a customer location. This research will be freely shared with the public to showcase the talent and skills of the team and raise awareness in the community overall.

This is a clear differentiator for Clear Skies. Almost all security companies that claim huge research capabilities have a dedicated R&D team that analyzes specific target software so that checks can be pushed into the company's products. The consulting team is inevitably insulated from this research as the good consultants are continually out billing. Having consultants with the skills to discover vulnerabilities differentiates the consultant's skills and expands the consultant's knowledge and hands-on skills. This provides personal benefits for the consultant and huge benefits for our clients.

