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| **SKILLS**  Windows Server (2025/2/19) Windows 11 via OSD (CM) and Autopilot (Intune). MacOS, Linux (Ubuntu, RH/Fedora, Debian)  Intent-based networking via Cisco modern Switching controls. IOS, JUNOS, and PAN-OS platforms.  Cisco Viptela and Palo Alto SDWAN. Experience supporting routed networks over OSPF, EIGRP, BGP, and OMP.  MPLS, VPLS, and Metro Ethernet.  Cisco Phase 2 & 3 DMVPN Hub/Spoke WAN using mGRE tunnels with NHRP.  Palo Alto IPS, ASA 5506-X NGFW, AnyConnect SSL VPN, PA Global Protect  VLANS, Trunking, QoS, COS, VoIP, Subnetting, Supernetting (CIDR)  Enterprise scale infrastructure services, NLB over Big IP/F5 LTM, Brocade ADX1000, and Citrix ADC/NetScaler  SNMP, Syslog, NetFlow, Solarwinds LEM, Ipswitch WhatsUp Gold  IT Program and Project Management within PMI/ITIL systems/environments  **HIGHLIGHTS**  Project financial responsibility to $15M+l annually  Manage corporate Data Center/Colo buildouts for 24x7 NOC support  Recruit and mentor project, systems, and network ops staff.  Guide policies / teams to achieve record uptime and compliance with company IG and SLA objectives  **CREDENTIALS**  Cisco: **CCNA, CCNP**  Microsoft: **MCSE, MC: Azure Network Engineer Associate**  PMI: **PMP**  ITIL**: ITILv3 Foundation** | **Systems design and operations oversight experience** with two decades in progressing roles supporting mission-critical networks and services.  **History of orchestrating successful IT deployments** and projects/initiatives in service of global on-prem, datacenter, and cloud-based infrastructures.  **Relationship-building skills** and experience working collaboratively with cross-functional teams and multiple project groups.  **Profile**: I specialize in driving strategic initiatives and deploying complex system architectures and engineering projects, at enterprise scale. I possess a breadth of skillsets from Enterprise Networking to Systems Operations, with in-depth Cloud Engineering project experience.    I have a proven track record of success in IT Project Management, Systems Architecture design and deployment, and Automation in operations and CI/CD scenarios. I also have expertise in aligning technology solutions with company or client business objectives, optimizing operations, and leading high-performing teams to deliver transformative results. | | |
| **PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE  Systems Architect / PM**  **McKool Smith A Professional Corporation**. Dallas, TX 2008-Present **Lead network design and implementation projects for a leading U.S. Patent and Commercial Litigation Firm with. Designed and launched a multi-site virtualization and FC/iSCSI SAN infrastructure supporting 200TB of multi-tier storage, reducing downtime costs fivefold and enhancing service availability via a Tier-4 Data Center DR site in North Texas. Added highspeed Layer-2 links for alternate iBGP pathing, reducing DR site RTO. Co-developed SLA and Business Continuity strategies. Transitioned into management in 2017 to lead high-level systems architecture design in support of company cloud-first strategy.** **In 2018 I helped implemented project management processes to IT and aided our first PM in the role. In 2019 I helped forge strategic MSP partnerships to improve ROI in our M365 tenant and enhance our CM/Intune PC endpoint mgmt. environment. I authored two open-source PowerShell solutions for data migration and remote endpoint management, reducing operational costs while growing our scale & capability.**  **Sr. Network Engineer**  **Baron & Budd PC.** Dallas, TX, 1998-2008  Designed and deployed EIGRP-based multi-site LAN/WAN for over 100 servers across multiple network segments in two data centers in TX and Louisiana. Scoped and managed multiple IT projects, coordinating with stakeholders in all levels of mgmt. Reduced storage TCO by implementing Compaq StorageWorks FC SAN while enhancing ROI with outgoing EMC Clariion systems. In 2005 I reduced ops costs by decreasing power consumption by half by migrating company servers into vSphere. Implemented scripting and GPO/GPP standards, lowering workstation support costs by nearly 50%. Deployed Microsoft SMS (later SCCM) for workstation inventory and endpoint lifecycle management. | | |