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# IT Consultant | Interim CIO

Georgia CIO of the Year (2008) • CIO 100 Award (2000)

Nationally known as IT innovator for restaurants, franchises, and small businesses

Deeply experienced in all aspects of B2B E-Commerce, M&A integration, and divestitures

IT Executive, Consultant, and Entrepreneur – unstoppable innovator with a "sixth sense" for the perfect alignment of latest technology and practical business needs. Typical projects include the relentless scaling up of IT infrastructure for Inovis – which nearly doubled in size over 8 years – and a rapid downsizing for AFCE, which was suddenly burdened with a bloated infrastructure that was crushing the company.

## — IT EXECUTIVE, CONSULTANT, AND ENTREPRENEUR –

- **CIO of the Year**: Recognized for lifelong contribution to the IT industry in Georgia. Cited for innovative use of IT in restaurants: Devised and automated solution for AFCE's franchisees.
- **Executive**: Able to drive growth in any business environment US or internationally from momand-pop restaurants to global corporations with thousands of employees.
- **Consultant**: Rigorously trained as a financial software consultant at MSA first job after college and acquired extensive knowledge of business analysis, project management, and resources.
- **Entrepreneur**: Created Zalex, a successful consulting firm, starting from scratch.
- **Trustworthy Partner**: Leads by example. Collegial style. Built a lifelong reputation for ethics, competence, continual innovation, and stability (only four job changes in 24 years).

### - AREAS OF EXPERTISE-

- M&A: Drove 8 M&A integrations (Inovis) and 2 IT decouplings for divestiture (AFCE, Inovis)
- E-Commerce: Built, grew, and continually improved 8 online-transaction platforms (B2B, Inovis)
- Global IT: Assembled teams and established offices starting from scratch in DE & NL (Inovis)
- Small-Medium Business: National IT reputation for SMB sector, based on innovations at AFCE

# - IT CAREER SUMMARY (1989-PRESENT)-

ZALEX INC Principal Consultant	2009-Present	Built and grew a consulting business with diverse, national clientele
AFC ENTERPRISES (AFCE) CIO	2004–2009	Turned around a chaotic, post-divestiture environment • Devised an IT solution that improved inventory, competitiveness, and customer experience for franchises
INOVIS / HARBINGER Acting CIO	1996-2004	Over 8 years, promoted from MIS Manager to Acting CIO of a \$250 million firm.
GEAC / D&B SOFTWARE Global Network Manager	1989-1996	Launched an IT and software career as consultant and trainer for financial software

### -PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS-

Technology Association of Georgia • Advisory Board of Georgia CIO Leadership Association National Restaurant Association – IT Study Group • Advisory Board of Hospitality Technology Magazine

### -EDUCATION AND EXTRACURRICULAR—

Bachelor of Business Administration, Major in MIS, University of Georgia, Athens, GA (1985–1989)

Licensed private pilot • Active in local church and Boy Scouts of America