

## **BIOGRAPHY**

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Mr. Lentz is the former Deputy Assistant Secretary of Defense for Cyber, Identity and Information Assurance (CIIA) in the Office of the Assistant Secretary of Defense, Networks and Information Integration/Chief Information Officer. Since November 2000, he served as the Chief Information Security Officer (CISO) for the Department of Defense (DoD) and in this capacity, oversaw the departments 3 Billion dollar Information Assurance & Cyber Security programs. He transformed the programs, to include establishing the first comprehensive IA/Cyber Architecture, supply chain risk management strategy and operationalizing the world's most robust Identity Management System, and played a key role in leading the United States National Cyber Initiative, and the follow on cyberspace review. Mr. Lentz started his career with the National Security Agency (NSA) in 1975. Since that time he accumulated over 34 years of experience and established himself as a change agent with federal government.

During his federal career Mr. Lentz served the Chairman of the National Space INFOSEC Steering Council (NSISC), was the principal DoD member of the Presidential Sub-Committee on National Security Systems (CNSS), the leader of the DoD IA Steering Council, and the IA Domain Owner of the Global Information Grid Enterprise Information Management Mission Area. In his capacity as the CISO, Mr. Lentz was a member of the DoD CIO Executive Council. He also served as the DoD liaison to several private sector boards, including the Center for Internet Security (CIS) Strategic Advisory Council, the Common Vulnerabilities & Exposures (CVE) Senior Advisory Council, the International Cyber Center Advisory Board and SAFEcode.

Mr. Lentz has received the NSA Resource Manager of the Year Award, the Defense Meritorious Service Award, the 2003 Presidential Rank Award and the 2004 "Federal 100" award. He also received the highest-level honorary award the Department can bestow on a civilian employee, the prestigious Secretary of Defense Distinguished Civilian Service Award and the 2006 "Top 20" Excellence.gov Award. In 2008, he was named Information Security government Executive of the year for the Middle Atlantic region, culminating in his award as the North American Executive of the year. In 2009, he received the Department of Defense Medal for Distinguished Civilian Service and the Director, National Security Agency / Chief, Central Security Service Distinguished Service Medal. Additionally he was the recipient of the RSA award for Excellence in the Field of Security Practices and the SANS Cyber Leadership award.

Mr. Lentz is a graduate of the National Senior Cryptologic Course, Federal Executive Institute, Harvard Business School in Strategy Planning, and the Resource Management Course at the Naval Postgraduate School. He earned a Bachelor's Degree with a double major in History and Social Science from Saint Mary's College of Maryland and a Masters Degree in National Security Strategy from the National War College.