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### **ISSA-LA Members Winners of Los Angeles Business Journal 2014 CIO Awards**

**Los Angeles, CA, June 30, 2014** – Two members of the Los Angeles Chapter of the Information Systems Security Association ([ISSA-LA](#)) have won awards at the annual Los Angeles Business Journal CIO Awards recently at the Hyatt Regency Century Plaza in Los Angeles. David Lam, CISSP, Vice President at Citadel Information Group received the “Nonprofit CIO of the Year Award” and former ISSA-LA Board member Dan Meacham, Director of IT Security at Trident USA Health Services, received the “Cybersecurity Leader of the Year Award.”

The CIO Awards honors those professionals in the top information technology positions within their organizations. The Los Angeles Business Journal explains that these important individuals and teams play vital roles in making Los Angeles businesses, institutions, and nonprofit groups successful. Together with their CEOs, their decisions impact all aspects of the business including their company's growth, profitability, functionality, and competitiveness in the marketplace.

“We are excited for David and Dan, two outstanding professionals, true leaders in the Los Angeles information security community,” said ISSA-LA President Dr. Stahl. “That the Los Angeles Business Journal presented two of this year’s CIO Awards to information security leaders is a testament to the importance and seriousness of information security in our everyday lives. It’s also an illustration of our success in making real our credo *‘It takes the village to secure the village’*<sup>SM</sup>. We’re proud and grateful to have the Los Angeles Business Journal support our efforts to grow the village.”

“It’s hard to think of an industry-leading company that could survive without a great CIO,” said Los Angeles Business Journal Publisher and CEO Matthew Toledo. “It’s the CIOs who are often charged with providing the operational tools required to match a CEO’s vision for a company.”

Other ISSA-LA Board and former Board members who were nominees in various categories were: ISSA-LA President Stan Stahl, PhD, President of Citadel Information Group, Richard Greenberg, CISSP, ISSA-LA Vendor Director and; Los Angeles County Department of Public Health Information Security Officer, David Girdner, Antropy and Ray Austad, CISSP, Farmers Insurance.

### **About the Los Angeles Chapter of the Information Systems Security Association**

ISSA-LA is the premier catalyst and information source in Los Angeles for improving the practice of information security. The Chapter provides educational programs for information security and IT professionals, and it conducts outreach programs to businesses, financial institutions, nonprofits, governmental agencies, and consumers. ISSA-LA is the founding Chapter of the Information Systems Security Association, an international not-for-profit association of information security professionals and practitioners. It recently hosted its 6<sup>th</sup> Annual Security Summit, *The Growing Cyber Threat: Protect Your Business*, in Los Angeles that was attended by nearly 800 business executives, IT professionals, law enforcement personnel, educators and information security practitioners. For more information visit <http://www.issala.org>.