

NICHOLAS MCLARTY

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EXPERIENCE

Deputy Chief Information Security Officer

[The Texas A&M University System](#)

College Station, Texas 11/2019 - Ongoing

The Texas A&M System is one of the largest systems of higher education in the nation with a budget of \$6.3 billion, educating more than 151,000 students across a statewide network of 11 universities and eight state agencies, including the Texas Division of Emergency Management.

- Provides executive leadership and guidance for the operation of cybersecurity activities for the Texas A&M University System and its members
- Directly oversees a System-level operational security program with a \$4.5M annual budget and multiple enterprise agreements with Tier 1 vendors
- Functions as executive liaison to customers and represents the Texas A&M System on various committees related to information security and cybersecurity

Chief Information Security Officer

[Texas A&M Transportation Institute](#)

College Station, Texas 01/2012 - 11/2019

TTI is a premier higher education transportation research agency that develops solutions to the problems and challenges facing all modes of transportation.

- Responsible for the information security of research projects and supporting resources valued at \$63.5M in generated revenue per year
- Engaged with business leaders to collaboratively reduce information security risks to the enterprise while minimizing impact to the business
- Led the maturation of the agency's information security program to achieve highest level of compliance with Federal and State cybersecurity mandates in agency history

Senior Network Analyst

[Texas A&M Transportation Institute](#)

College Station, Texas 07/2009 - 01/2012

- Designed and maintained a complex hybrid virtual/physical technology stack to serve enterprise applications and over 100 web and client-server applications with 99.999% uptime assurance
- Implemented a complex multi-site logical/physical software-defined network architecture to minimize security risks to enterprise information systems
- Supported the delivery of identity and access management, enterprise applications, network connectivity, and voice over IP for over 650 users

Security Forces Member (Combat Arms Program Manager)

[United States Air Force Reserve](#)

Joint Base San Antonio-Lackland, Texas 09/2003 - 11/2015

The Air Force Reserve supports the Air Force mission by providing combat-ready forces to defend the United States through the control and exploitation of air, space and cyberspace.

- Administered combat weapons training program for over 3,000 airmen
- Supervised and led a team of 8 citizen airmen, oversaw instructor certification program and technical training, and enforced military order and discipline
- Oversaw the physical security, accountability, and maintenance of \$1.5M in small arms/light weapons
- Managed programs to ensure the protection of national security information entrusted to the organization

EDUCATION

M.Sc., Cybersecurity Studies

[American Military University](#)

2016 - 2017

B.A., Emergency & Disaster Management

[American Military University](#)

2011 - 2013

CERTIFICATES

[Certified Information Systems Security Management Professional \(CISSP-ISSMP\)](#)

(ISC)²

[Comprehensive Cyberterrorism Defense Course](#)

U.S. Department of Homeland Security

[Qualified Federal Law Enforcement Officer](#)

U.S. Department of Defense

[All-Hazards Type 3 Incident Commander](#)

Civil Air Patrol, U.S. Air Force Auxiliary

[Project+ Certified Professional](#)

CompTIA

[ITIL Foundation Certification](#)

AXELOS

SPEAKING ENGAGEMENTS

Presenter, Texas Association of College and University Auditors

03/2022 Irving, Texas

Beyond the Controls: Auditing strategies to mitigate modern cybersecurity risks

Keynote Speaker, AccessData User Summit

04/2016 Lake Mary, Florida

The Intersection of Incident Response and Forensic Investigations

Conference Panelist, EMC World

04/2015 Las Vegas, Nevada

Deploying a Secure, Modern Collaboration Service for 200K Users at The Texas A&M University System