

Michael Anderson is a seasoned executive with a proven track record of establishing collaborative teams and state-of-the-art programs for both private and public organizations. His inspirational leadership, technology depth and emotional intelligence help him to drive business objectives, while building alliances. Michael is admired for his analytical acumen, attention to detail and for being an excellent listener. As an entrepreneur, he provides security advisory services and security practitioner mentoring for young and seasoned professionals across North Texas. Leaders and friends characterize him as confident, results-oriented, and patient; able to make difficult concepts easy to understand.

As the Chief Information Security Officer for Dallas County; the eighth largest County in the United States, he oversees the Information Technology (IT) security program for over 6800 County employees and the electronic records for over 2.6 million residents. Using NIST 800 series publications, Michael is currently in the process of building an IT security practice for Dallas County that will become a prototype for other Counties.

Michael earned a Master's in Information Systems and Management from Capella University. He served in the Army for 10 years in the Intelligence Corp and has 20+ years of strategic and tactical expertise across a wide-range of IT disciplines. When Michael isn't evangelizing cybersecurity, he enjoys spending time with his family, making music and learning more about the Science of Mindfulness.