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As the Executive Director, Strategic Initiatives for AT&T Government Solutions, John focuses on bringing AT&T's industry-leading corporate capabilities to bear on the most challenging national security problems facing the defense and intelligence communities of the United States Government.

John retired from the National Security Agency after almost 38 years of service at the end of January 2005. Prior to his retirement from NSA, he was the Principal Director for Corporate Strategy, where he advised the Director, NSA on strategic transformation initiatives to meet the challenges of the 21<sup>st</sup> Century, and led the development of strategic relationships with U.S. industry. He was also responsible for coordinating strategic industrial relationships across the intelligence community. Until January 2001, when he assumed the Principal Director position, he was the Assistant Deputy Director for Information System Security, where he led the development of Information Assurance Solutions for the national security community of the U.S. Government. Previous assignments at NSA included the Chief of the Network Security Group, Chief of the Office of Data and Weapons System Security, Program Manager for the Secure Telephone Unit (STU)-III program, and a wide variety of program management and system engineering assignments.

John was appointed to the Senior Executive Service in 1987, and has received the National Intelligence Medal, the Federal Design Achievement Award, the NSA Meritorious Civilian Service Award and Presidential Rank Awards of Meritorious Executive and Distinguished Executive. Upon his retirement he was presented the NSA Exceptional Service Award.

John is a member of the Cyber Security Commission for the 44<sup>th</sup> Presidency, sponsored by the Center for Strategic and International Studies. He continues in this role as the Obama Administration considers future strategy and policy for cyber security. John is a frequent speaker on cyber security issues in a variety of forums, and has testified before several Congressional Committees on this topic.