

Gordon Flesch Company, Inc.

ERIC KINDSCHI

Eric Kindschi describes his work history as solving a series of increasingly complex puzzles.

In high school and college, he was the guy everyone came to with computer problems. He turned that natural curiosity into a career, building technology solutions for everyone from a two-person startup to international corporations with thousands of employees.

Most recently, Eric led a small team that provided IT services to over 1,300 people in eight countries. He is excited to now bring that global perspective to help companies in his native Midwest. "My job is to help clients make the most out of their IT budget. I work with them to understand their current needs and collaborate on a roadmap to move toward where they want to be," he says. "I also serve as an advocate for them, coordinating with other providers to ensure we serve our common customer well."

In his role as a vCIO, Eric regularly meets with clients to review the performance of their systems, determine how well those systems are being maintained and protected and to discuss any questions they may have about technology. With more than 20 years of experience, Eric has a deep empathy for his clients and brings a clarity of vision to help them move past their technical challenges. "Communication facilitates understanding," he says. "Having the greatest services is not enough if I can't describe them in terms others can understand."





FUN FACT #1

Eric hosts an annual weekend of networked computer gaming two times a year.



FUN FACT #2

Eric founded his high school newspaper and served as co-editor of his college paper.



FUN FACT #3

As a high school senior Eric led a group that dyed a friend's cows for Easter using spray bottles filled with food coloring and water.

Bonus Fact: It takes A LOT of food coloring to dye a Holstein.

Guriosity is critical in IT.

If you don't want to learn

new things, or don't want

to discover how a customer

uses technology, you should
pick a new career.

- Eric Kindschi, vCIO



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Systems Engineer

~IT Services Company~



IT Security Analyst

~Utility Company~



Network Manager

~School District~



Consultant

~IT Services Company~



IT Services Manager

~Managed IT Service Provider~



IT Service Delivery Manager

~Global Biotechnology Organization~



vCIO - Managed IT Services

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TODAY'S vCIO



INSIGHTS, PRIORITIES AND CHANGING ROLES



THE WORLD'S **INFORMATION DOUBLES EVERY TWO YEARS.**



AMONG CURRENT CLOUD USERS,

00 SAID THEY REDUCED APPLICATION COSTS BY MOVING TO THE CLOUD CLOUD USERS SAVE AN AVERAGE OF 21% ANNUALLY.



IT Relationships **Authority as CIO Vendor Relationships**

TOP CONCERNS

for IT Decision Makers

CLOUD COMPUTING

SECURITY

IT CONSOLIDATION

29% **SOURCES** 14% OF CIO SUCCESS 37% IN PERCENTAGES

ESSENTIAL

1. COURAGE to reimagine IT

2. CLOUT to guide IT through

3. ASTUTENESS to build on good results

Cloud Computing Virtualization

3. Mobile Technologies

1. Converged Infrastructure 2. Information Optimization

Security

5. Application Modernization

years average tenure at GFC

of CIOs are responsible for one or more non-IT areas of the business

A CIO'S JOB

To apply technology to increase productivity and time to market while reducing costs.

years average tenure of CIOs at all-time high

Business Strategic



19% vCIO 25% **ROLES** 56%