

## CISO EXECUTIVE NETWORK ADVISORY COUNCIL

### **NAME**

Dan Sheehan

### **POSITION AND COMPANY**

Vice President, CISO, Dick's Sporting Goods

### **EDUCATION AND CERTIFICATIONS**

BS Computer Science, University of Massachusetts; CISSP; CISA; Certified ISO27001 Lead Auditor; Various network and security vendor certifications



### **EXPERIENCE IN INFORMATION SECURITY**

Over 25 years in networking and security across several verticals to include manufacturing, healthcare, financial, retail, and government. Worked a myriad of corporate positions as well as consultancy engagements across those same verticals.

### **INFORMATION SECURITY GOVERNING PHILOSOPHY**

Collaboration with peers and getting them vested in the security strategy so that there is a better chance of success. It's not just about protecting the data but engaging with your business partners and leveraging their talent to foster trust and commitment to protecting the brand.

### **MOST IMPORTANT PROJECT OR PROGRAM**

There has always been a plethora of projects and programs to work on in this field and I've been lucky to have been part of many of them over the past 25+ years. Building teams has always been a great part of my career and being able to make a difference is important, as well. There's always a new challenge and I find this to be the best and most important part of my job.

### **WHAT ATTRACTED YOU TO INFORMATION SECURITY?**

The threat landscape is always changing, and this provides for exciting new initiatives and understanding of new technologies. I've found that the adage that you learn something new every day is absolutely true. I always say that this aspect of my job is the most satisfying. The exposure to new ideas, smart people, and better ways of building the mousetrap prevent me from having the Sunday blues!

### **BEST ADVICE YOU HAVE RECEIVED AND WHO PROVIDED IT**

If you're going to say no to something, think about what you can provide for a solution that you can say yes to. This came from an executive with many years of experience in technology.

### **WHY DO YOU PARTICIPATE IN THE CISO EXECUTIVE NETWORK?**

It's about the relationships and information sharing. There's just no way possible to know everything about our field. There's always information that gives you that "Aha" moment and it can be very impactful.