

Accelecom Appoints Dr. Scott Scheidt as CIO and CISO

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[Accelecom](#), Georgia's and Kentucky's largest middle-mile network operator, today announced the appointment of Dr. Scott Scheidt as Chief Information Officer and Chief Information Security Officer (CIO/CISO). In this newly

combined role, Dr. Scheidt will lead Accelecom's information technology, operational and business support systems, enterprise security, and emerging AI capabilities as the company continues to scale across the Southeast.



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“Never in the history of telecom has there been a moment like the one we’re in right now,” said Van Macatee, Chief Operating Officer of Accelecom. “Information technology, back-office automation, AI, and cybersecurity have become so inextricably linked that they enable transformation at the speed of light. Dr. Scheidt will be at ground zero of our pivot into this opportunity — driving blinding speed, accuracy, and efficiency into everything we do for our customers.”

Dr. Scheidt joins Accelecom from a regional cybersecurity

and managed services provider, where he served as Chief Security Officer and built a vendor-agnostic virtual CISO practice supporting clients across the U.S., Canada, and Australia. He holds a Ph.D. in Cybersecurity and a Master of Science in Cybersecurity Technology. He is transitioning into a new assignment as a Colonel in the U.S. Army Reserves with more than three decades of service in intelligence and cyber operations. He holds a Top Secret/SCI security clearance and will be assigned to Ft Knox, Kentucky.

“Reliable connectivity and strong security now go hand in hand, especially for the government, healthcare, and business customers who depend on Accelecom every day,” said Dr. Scheidt. “I’m honored to join a team that is building critical infrastructure across the region, and I look forward to advancing both the technology backbone and the security capabilities that set Accelecom

apart.”

In his role, Dr. Scheidt will own Accelecom’s OSS/BSS and internal IT environments, lead the company’s enterprise security program and market-facing security offerings, and guide the organization’s adoption of AI-driven automation.

About Accelecom

Accelecom is a leading provider of next-generation [fiber solutions](#) across the Southeastern United States, delivering high-speed network, internet, manage services and voice solutions to wholesale, public sector, and business customers across the region. With its extensive fiber network and commitment to bridging the digital divide, Accelecom enables organizations to accelerate innovation, leverage emerging technologies & and enhance digital transformation. For more information, visit the Accelecom website and follow Accelecom on Facebook, LinkedIn, Instagram, and X.

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