HUNTER R. WULFFSON

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Driven corporate cybersecurity leader with a proven track record of strategic problem-solving and risk mitigation, now pursuing a Master's in Clinical Psychology at Pepperdine University. Dedicated to leveraging advanced analytical abilities, a strong ethical foundation, and a genuine passion for human well-being to provide comprehensive and impactful mental health support. Seeks to apply strong interpersonal skills and a commitment to evidence-based practice to foster positive change in individuals and communities.

WORK EXPERIENCE

Patriot Consulting, Principal Threat Hunter & Detection Engineer

Irvine, CA November 2023 – February 2025

Led threat hunting operations and developed custom detection engineering protocols while serving as a technical SME during sales engagements. Designed and implemented a comprehensive threat detection methodology that significantly enhances security operations effectiveness:

- Developed an intelligence-driven detection framework translating threat data into actionable KQL queries targeting indicators of compromise (IOCs) and indicators of attack (IOAs)
- Engineered analytics rules that automated investigation workflows, reducing SOC analyst response time and improving threat containment metrics
- Collaborated with the sales team on client calls, serving as a technical subject matter expert, effectively communicating complex detection capabilities to prospects, addressing technical objections
- Demonstrated ROI of detection engineering protocol through metrics, helping close deals by showcasing proven security outcomes and operational efficiency gains

Commercial Bank of California, Irvine, CA Assistant Vice President (AVP), Information Security

June 2022 – February 2024

Led comprehensive information security operations for the bank, directing a cross-functional team of IT and security professionals while reporting directly to executive leadership. Implemented strategic security initiatives that strengthened the bank's security posture:

- Managed the Security Operations Center, leveraging CrowdStrike Falcon, Arctic Wolf, and Microsoft security solutions to protect critical financial systems and sensitive customer data
- Redesigned and implemented enhanced insider threat and data loss prevention (DLP)
 protocols, significantly reducing risk exposure and strengthening regulatory compliance
- Leveraged KnowBe4 to establish an employee-driven phishing reporting program that improved threat detection capabilities and cultivated a stronger security-awareness culture (the bank's click rate went from 73% to 10% in 12 months)
- Delivered regular security briefings to the Board of Directors and Risk Management committees, effectively communicating complex security metrics and risk assessments
- Created and conducted cybersecurity awareness seminars for clients, positioning the bank as a trusted security partner while improving customer security practices

Information Security Analyst

January 2021 – June 2022

Directed comprehensive security operations across the bank and its subsidiaries, establishing robust protection for critical financial infrastructure and sensitive data assets. Orchestrated a multi-layered security approach that balanced regulatory compliance with operational efficiency:

- Led end-to-end management of the enterprise information security program, implementing controls that safeguarded the bank's digital ecosystem, including applications, systems, and customer-facing platforms
- Deployed and optimized an integrated security monitoring framework utilizing Microsoft 365 Defender, CrowdStrike, and Arctic Wolf technologies, enabling real-time threat detection and response
- Spearheaded data loss prevention and brand spoofing mitigation initiatives that protected the bank's reputation and prevented fraudulent activities targeting customers
- Established governance frameworks aligning security policies with financial regulatory requirements and industry best practices
- Created and distributed a weekly Information Security newsletter that enhanced the security awareness culture among customers and employees, reducing security incidents by 30%

Apria Healthcare, Security Administrator, Lake Forest, CA February 2020 – January 2021

Delivered technical and operational support that relates to IT risk and compliance, internal investigations, audits, assessments, in conjunction with Legal, HR, Corporate Compliance, and Internal Audit. Ensured compliance with information security policies and monitored policy exceptions. Assisted in managing and analyzing cyber threat news feeds, including investigations and reported incidents. Worked with a team responsible for phishing identification, mitigation, and education.

Taco Bell, Information Technology Analyst, Irvine, CA June 2019—December 2019

Provided seamless IT support to over 7,000 Taco Bell locations nationwide. Applied the CARE (consistency, accuracy, reliability, and efficiency) model to ensure proper functioning and maintenance of all company hardware, software, and SQL database management systems.

EDUCATION

University of San Diego, San Diego, CA

Master's Degree in Cyber Security Operations and Leadership – **with Honors**, **Summa Cum Laude**

Cumulative GPA: 3.9

Arizona State University, Phoenix, AZ

Bachelor's Degree in Criminology/Criminal Justice – with Honors, *Summa Cum Laude* Cumulative GPA: 3.8 - Dean's List: 2013-16 Golden Key International Honors Society member

CIVIC AND CHARITABLE WORK

Junior Achievement, 2021 - 2024

Volunteer quarterly to mentor underprivileged high school students, providing them with an opportunity to learn about cybersecurity, finance, and budgeting.

Eagle Scout Award Recipient, March 2012

Boy Scouts of America, Troop 1518, Tustin, California Eagle Project: 2012 - Managed all fundraising, finances, design, building and approvals.

PERSONAL ACTIVITIES

Jiu Jitsu • Chess • Fitness • Reading