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CURRENT POSITION:

Mr. LaFountain is the Distinguished Academic Chief for Information Assurance and Cyber in the Associate Directorate for Education and Training (ADET) at the National Security Agency. ADET is responsible for providing relevant, timely, and superior learning opportunities in the cryptologic disciplines, analysis, language, and business management necessary to develop a highly analytic, technologically astute workforce for the global NSA/CSS mission.

PRIOR POSITIONS:

Mr. LaFountain began work at NSA in 1982 as one of the founding members of the National Computer Security Center's Trusted Product Evaluation Program. Since that time, he has held a variety of technical, supervisory and leadership positions within NSA. In these positions, Mr. LaFountain has had extensive interaction with commercial industry as well as international partners on the subjects of security requirements, design and evaluation techniques for government and commercial information assurance products and solutions. Mr. LaFountain is a graduate of NSA's Senior Technical Development Program (STDP), focusing on secure virtual private network technologies. In 1999-2000, Mr. LaFountain served as the Deputy Director and Technical Director for Cyber Programs for the Department of Energy's newly formed Office of Counterintelligence, developing advanced intrusion detection and email monitoring capabilities. Prior to his assignment to ADET, Mr. LaFountain was the Technical Director for Security and Evaluation in the Information Assurance Architecture and Systems Security Engineering Group (I1) and the Custom Solutions Group (I8) within the Information Assurance Directorate (IAD).

PROFESSIONAL BACKGROUND:

Mr. LaFountain is professionalized as a computer systems analyst and was awarded a Master rating in the Computer Science Tech Track. He was awarded the Exceptional Service Award from the Department of Energy.

EDUCATION:

Mr. LaFountain graduated from Merrimack College in Massachusetts in 1982 with a Bachelor of Science degree in Computer Science and has taken additional technical courses at John Hopkins University. He continually enhances and maintains his technical expertise via technical conferences, workshops, seminars and tutorials.

PERSONAL:

Originally a native of Massachusetts, Mr. LaFountain enjoys playing golf and traveling. Hobbies include cooking, coin collecting, attending a variety of sporting events (Go Red Sox, Pats and Terps!) and the enjoyment of classic and contemporary movies.

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