



The President's National Security Telecommunications Advisory Committee



Committee Member Biography

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Gary Smith
President and Chief Executive Officer
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Mr. Gary B. Smith is president, CEO, and a member of the board of directors of Ciena. He was appointed president in 2000 and CEO in 2001. He also served as director from 2000 to 2011. Mr. Smith has held various roles during his tenure at Ciena, including COO and senior vice president for worldwide sales. Mr. Smith joined Ciena in 1997 as the vice president of international sales. Prior to Ciena, he held positions at Intelsat General and Cray Communications, Inc.



Mr. Smith is a member of the boards of directors for CommVault Systems, Inc. and Avaya Inc., and is a commissioner of the Global Information Infrastructure Commission. He is a member of the Wall Street Journal CEO Council and actively participates in initiatives with the Center for Corporate Innovation. Mr. Smith earned a master's of business administration from Ashridge Management College in the United Kingdom.