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John Spitkovsky grew up in the Chicago area and underwent a solid scholastic experience, graduated with honors from the city's parochial school system and ultimately attended the Illinois Institute of Technology. There, he received both a B.S. with honors and M.S. with high honors in Computer Science.

John started his computer career in 1983 in a college work program doing System's Programming at Rockwell International. It was here that he had his first exposure to the OpenVMS operating system and, more importantly, it was here that he met his original MSCS partner, David Meyer. Upon graduation, he accepted a full-time, permanent position at Rockwell International to administer a multi-site group of twenty Unix-based Computer-Aided Engineering (CAE) workstations. However, once given the opportunity to work again in the OpenVMS environment, he jumped at the chance. David and John worked together on system administration. As the IT groups from local divisions were joined, John remained an administrator for a wider range of systems and a deeper mix of technologies, and David transitioned into Management. During this time, John started teaching night courses in Computer Programming at Lewis University in Romeoville, and also got involved in a volunteer tutoring program for children with the Opus Dei organization.

After six years of service at Rockwell and multiple promotions, John decided to move on, and accepted a position at Harris Bank. For two years, John was responsible for the setup, administration and management of an environment providing technical resources and programming support to the Investment Consulting & Analytics department, and the Harris Investment Management subsidiary. Not only did this provide him with exposure to the finance and investment industry, but this also gave him his first exposure to supervisory skills while managing an independent consultant.

Two years later, John accepted a Sales Engineer position working again with David Meyer at MTI Systems, a nationwide reseller for Digital Equipment Corporation, Hewlett Packard and Sun Microsystems hardware, software and services. After three years of service, supporting a $12 million dollar budget, and becoming one of the top engineers in the company, John joined David and founded MS Consulting Services, a full-service IT consulting firm specializing in senior-level System Administration and other IT Services.

After just five successful and profitable years serving over 75 different and varied customers, John and David had achieved annual sales exceeding $1.2 million dollars and have expanded the business to include such pursuits as programming, database and network administration, permanent recruiting and staffing solutions, and, recently, Microsoft Application Hosting and Data Center services. Since its start in 1996, MS Consulting Services is proud to still offer those high-level skills and customer-focused products that are so difficult to find in today's workforce.

Currently, John is active with his wife and two children and his church, and continues to pursue his interest in civic and community involvement. Along with an active involvement in the Rotary Club of Chicago, John has served on various non-profit boards, including President and Chairman of Sacred Space International.

"True success in any activity is gained by caring for the people involved. That always leads to a win-win."