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Fractional CTO leadership for always-on organizations under EOL, renewal, audit, or mission deadlines...delivering weekly executive visibility and measurable risk burn-down.

Notable results include:

KEXP Public Media Broadcaster | CTO Core playout + MAM replacement: migrated ~600,000 on-air items; established cutover governance and kept daily operations stable.

Classified R&D | DoN SAP CIO Governance-grade technical leadership: mastered \$B+ infrastructure contract strategy; produced decision ready options and risk framing.

U.S. Sixth Fleet | Comms Director / CIO Ops risk visibility: turned complex network conditions into commander ready dashboards; tightened incident discipline via formal casualty critique.

EUCOM | Theater C4I Ops Director Resourcing/risk picture: delivered commander-ready modernization case securing \$15M+ for critical C2 shortfalls.

Modernize Always-On Mission-Critical Platforms Without the Drama



THE PROBLEM

- A forcing clock (EOL/renewal/audit/mission milestone) is approaching, and the core platform can't go down.
- Leadership needs decision-ready options and weekly proof the replacement is actually de-risking.

If you can name the date and exec owner, you're in a buying moment.

Start with a risk assessment → then execute via a retainer.

THE NUANCE

- Don't replace "can't fail" systems with a big-bang cutover.
- Win with governance + evidence: staged migrations, explicit cutover / rollback criteria, and steady execution while ops continues.

THE OUTCOMES (DELIVERABLES)

Risk Assessment (2-3 weeks)

- Mission threads + dependencies → blast radius, crown jewels
- Top risks + options → tradeoffs, timeline, cost bands
- 90-day execution plan → gates, owners, proof

Fractional CTO Retainer (90 days)

- Cutover + rollback criteria → rehearsal approach, go/no-go
- Vendor/SI SOW → acceptance criteria + governance cadence
- Security & recovery evidence plan → what gets proven, when

How leaders stay confident

- Weekly exec proof: changes, blockers, risk burned down



THE TESTIMONIALS

Trusted in high consequence environments

Mission focused, accomplished...knows when to be the bad guy
- Reece Morgan, Leidos Program Director

Fast study, penetrating logic...calm in the storm of timelines
- Jan Jedrych, Assistant Secretary of the Army for Sustainment



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