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MASON ARNOLD

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MEMBER PROFILE | David Dolmanet



David brings 25 years of finance, accounting, and operational experience across a broad spectrum of industries and company lifecycle stages. In his current role at Smarter Security, he provides executive leadership in areas of strategic direction, financial planning and analysis, customer success, logistics and supply-chain management, and accounting and controls. Prior to joining Smarter Security, David was Managing Director of Financial Advisory Services at 9Gauge Partners, where he managed service delivery teams for more than 80 active clients. He was also

a partner at Lone Rock Technology Group, an operationally-oriented private investment firm focused on the enterprise software industry. There, he held executive roles in finance and operations for multiple portfolio companies. Prior to Lone Rock, David served as CFO for Minco Technology Labs, a Hi-Rel/Milspec semiconductor manufacturer and as co-founder and VP of Finance/HR at CachelQ, Inc., an Austin-based start-up in the Enterprise NAS performance market that was later sold to NetApp. He also spent more than a decade in finance and operational roles at Motorola/Freescale Semiconductor. He holds a BBA in Finance from The University of Texas at Austin, has been married to the woman of his dreams since 1993, and has four amazing kids.

Mason Arnold has founded several companies with sustainability at the core, including EarthAction Landscaping, environmentallyresponsible land care, which grew for 2 years and sold; Greenling.com, the first and largest local/organic grocery delivery service in Texas serving all major metros that sold in 2015; and his current venture, Cece's™ Veggie Co., a pioneer brand in making delicious pasta and rice alternatives out of fresh organic vegetables.

He was honored with the United FreshMKT Achievement Award in 2018 for outstanding achievement and innovation in the marketing and merchandising of fresh produce, and was crowned 'Eco Leader of the Year' by

the Austin Business Journal in 2010. Mason and his businesses have also received national innovation awards from Dell and PC Magazine, and more than 25 diverse awards across various outlets, including being crowned 'Best Local Food Company' 9 years in a row in the Austin Chronicle. Mason has received national media attention for his companies including feature stories in New York Times, Business Week, Entrepreneur magazine, Wall Street Journal, MSNBC, radio appearances on NPR's On Point, and others.

A longtime Organic agriculture activist, Mason drafted legislation and created the Organic Advisory Board to the Texas Department of Agriculture and formed the Organic Association of Texas, a legislative action and lobbying group for the Organic agriculture industry in Texas.

Mason is also an avid mentor and has served on numerous non-profit boards.



Mason Arnold, Founder and Chief Veggie Nerd | Cece's Veggie Co.

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