

From Queens College to CEO: Joe Levy's Journey in Cybersecurity Innovation

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JOE LEVY joined Sophos as Chief Technology Officer (CTO) in February 2015, was promoted to President of Sophos Technology Group in 2023, and is now the CEO of Sophos. He is responsible for all aspects of Sophos' strategic direction and business operations.

Prior to Sophos, Levy was CTO for Blue Coat Systems following the company's 2013 acquisition of security analytics pioneer Solera Networks, where he had served as CTO since 2008. Before Solera, he was CTO of SonicWALL and led research and development teams with concentrations in the areas of next-generation firewalls, deep packet inspection, cryptography, and secure remote access.

Earlier in his career, Levy spent six years as a practitioner with the value-added reseller and integrator OneNet, where he led product and service design, development, and delivery. Levy has participated in various industry certification and design consortiums. He is active with the venture community, participates in cybersecurity industry boards, and is the inventor of numerous security, networking, database, analytics, virtualization, and AI patents.

Levy has co-authored a book on the topic of wireless network security, covering many of the secure wireless innovations he and his architectural teams have designed. He holds a BA from Queens College.

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