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Former California CISO Reflects on Cyber's Importance in State Government.

Now a senior advisor at World Wide Technology, Vitaliy Panych said his aim was always to make everyone a “risk practitioner,” while managing an enormous state infrastructure.

After nearly 20 years working in California state agencies and having served as the state’s longest-tenured chief information security officer, Vitaliy Panych is starting a new chapter in his career.

Panych [recently joined](#) technology company World Wide Technology as senior cybersecurity and risk advisor, having led the development of [Cal-Secure](#), the state’s first multi-year cybersecurity roadmap, and provided information security oversight and services for more than 140 executive branch entities as well as cities, counties, special districts, schools and more.

It’s been quite a journey for Panych, who said he joined WWT after being impressed with the “culture” of the company and its “deep bench of expertise” on various technology issues, whether it be cybersecurity, artificial intelligence or modernization.

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