



**Sam Coursen**  
Former VP & CIO  
Freescale Semiconductor, Inc.

Sam has 40 years of broad executive leadership experience across multiple business areas including IT, professional consulting services, support services, product management, and research and development. He has more than 13 years total experience as CIO, with his most recent position being the CIO of Fortune 500 company Freescale Semiconductor. There, Sam led a global IT organization of 350 professionals and outsourcing partners with a \$200 million annual IT budget. Sam brings deep knowledge and experience in all aspects of IT application and infrastructure technologies, as well as IT vendor management and outsourcing. He is currently active on several boards of directors and advisory committees, and enjoys sharing his experience with multiple local and national CIO peer groups.

Prior to his role at Freescale Semiconductor, he was vice president and CIO at NCR Corporation, and he spent 24 years at Bell Laboratories and AT&T in engineering, product architecture, product development, professional services, and support services roles.

Throughout Sam's career he has had the opportunity to gain expertise with ERP (Oracle & SAP), data warehousing, web/internet/cloud, end user devices & services, voice & data networking, mobility, data center technologies/operations, IT financial management, IT benchmarking & process optimization (PMP, CMM, Agile Development, ITIL), and IT outsourcing management.

Sam is a recognized leader in his field and has been honored with several prestigious awards throughout his career, including being chosen for the 2009 Computerworld Premier 100 IT Leader Award, CIO magazine's CIO 100 Award in 2008 and 2007, Austin Texas IT Executive of the Year award in 2007, and IQPC National Financial Management Leader of the Year Award in 2005.

