Asian American Engineer of the Year

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Citation of Accomplishments

Exemplary leadership in architecture design and development of IT infrastructure optimization solutions-benefiting IBM enterprise clients worldwide, and for ground-breaking innovations in IT optimization, cognitive services, cloud technology, software provisioning and systems resiliency.

IBM Global Technology Services (GTS) manages IT for global clients and contributed ~\$30B to IBM's ~\$80B annual revenue in 2016. Within GTS, Mickey led engineering IT transformations that enabled scaled disruptions across multiple industry sectors - including one of the largest divestitures in US history. Mickey is the chief architect of IBM 'Enterprise IT as a Service' framework for the IBM Services Platform with Watson, generating \$10B+ in revenue signings since 2015.

Mickey has filed 30+ patents, authored 3 technology books, over 60 technical publications, several research articles and thought leadership whitepapers. He serves the technical community as a leader of IBM Academy of Technology, GTS CIO Advisory Board and IBM's Asian Diversity Program. He is a passionate mentor to STEM professionals and students globally. Mickey is highly recognized for his technical expertise and is a frequent keynote speaker at industry, client, media and analyst events across the globe.

In over a hundred year history of IBM, Mickey is one of 278 scientists and engineers appointed as an IBM Fellow (the highest ranking technical executive position in IBM). Mickey is the first, and only Pakistani-American IBM Fellow. His is also the first AAEOY award recipient of Pakistani-American origin. He has received multiple Best of IBM and IBM Outstanding Technical Achievement awards and numerous external client recognitions for his exemplary contributions.

Mickey is highly committed to workforce diversity within IBM, at state and national level as well as internationally. He contributed to the IBM Asian Leadership Conference and IBM ASEAN business and technology growth initiatives providing pro-bono advisory services to client CIOs in Asia.

Mickey has mentored IBM and non-IBM technical professionals throughout his professional career. More than 25 of his mentees became IBM Distinguished Engineers, one of the highest technical appointment.

Mickey is particularly passionate about science and engineering education for our young generation. He is very engaged in mentoring high school and college students within USA and in Pakistan, assisting them with selecting their higher education subjects in the areas of science and engineering.

Mickey received his B.S. in Mechanical Engineering from University of Engineering & Technology, Lahore in 1990 and his MBA and MS in Management Information Systems from the University of Illinois at Chicago in 1993 and 2000, respectively.

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