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Tim is a Senior Vice President for AT&T Mobility. Tim was Chief Technology Officer and Senior Vice President for Dobson Communications from 1999 to 2007 (dba Cellular One) and was responsible for Dobson's wireless network infrastructure and backbone wireless technology in 17 states.

Prior to joining AT&T and Dobson, Tim had various management and engineering roles at Sygnet Communications, was Director of Engineering for multiple AM and FM broadcast Stations with Constrander Corporation and started as Chief Engineer at WGRP AM-FM in Greenville, Pennsylvania when he was 16 years old. He graduated with a degree in Electrical Engineering from The Pennsylvania State University and is a member of the IEEE. He also holds several US Patents concerning with wireless communications.

Tim served on the ARRL Contest Advisory Committee (CAC) for 6 years as Atlantic Division representative. He was appointed to CAC chairman by the ARRL President for 2 years. He was awarded the ARRL Atlantic Division Technical Achievement award in 1993 and was honored for his service to Amateur Radio Contesting with his induction into the prestigious CQ Contest Hall of Fame in 2006. He currently serves as Chairman and founder of Contest University which holds day long instructional classes in Dayton, Ohio and Bedfordshire, England for over 300 students.

Position Statement

As a Director of The Radio Club of America (RCA) I would use my 24 years of mobile wireless management experience and 36 years as an Amateur Radio operator to increase the membership and visibility of the RCA to Mobile Wireless Professionals, Amateur Radio enthusiasts and young students who should consider a wireless technology career path.

Since 1980, Cellular Telephone Technology and Personal Wireless Communications have taken the world by storm. This ever changing technology has created a new wireless workforce that is highly technical and eager to exchange ideas. Even with all of the information about opportunities there is a tremendous shortage of trained and qualified wireless engineers and technicians. The Radio Club of America is the natural organization to embrace and further these emerging technologies and provide enthusiastic illumination to young people that "Wireless Technology" careers are very exciting and rewarding. With our club's long history of encouraging communications innovation, I believe there exists a platform for purposeful growth within this group. I am committed to expanding our wireless presence in young people and leveraging our impact on the global frontier.

I would also encourage our membership and the Board of Directors to look at opportunities to increase our club's involvement and exposure to High School and University students. Many of the youth today do not see the lure or attraction with Wireless that caused all of us to become involved. I believe it is incumbent on RCA members to plant the seeds of Wireless career building in the hearts and minds of young people. I know how to do this and I can bring the vision needed to help secure a sound wireless future with RCA so that we will continue to enjoy technology growth with members that contribute to the club on many fronts for generations to come.

My exposure to wireless started when I was 12 years old and 36 years later my intensity continues at the highest level. I am confident that my early and constant exposure to Amateur Radio and professional Wireless experience would be valuable as a Director of the RCA. My enthusiasm for the RCA as a Director and the support for the RCA core values surrounded by my management and organizational skills are unique. They would contribute in a positive and professional manner to the RCA.