

Alex Stamos - Biography

Alex Stamos is the Chief Trust Officer of SentinelOne (NYSE: S), whose mission is to defeat every attack, every second, of every day with AI-powered threat prevention, detection, response, and hunting. As Chief Trust Officer, he works with clients both before and after major security events through the PinnacleOne strategic advisory group and helps maintain the company's security posture against the world's most advanced adversaries. Stamos is also a Lecturer in Computer Science and International Policy at Stanford University and teaches classes on cybersecurity and online safety.

Alex was a co-founder and partner at the Krebs Stamos Group until its acquisition by SentinelOne. He was also the founder of the Stanford Internet Observatory, a research and teaching program focused on understanding the use of internet technologies to cause harm. He is a founding editor of the Journal of Online Trust and Safety and a contributor to numerous research projects on online privacy, safety and security.

Prior to Stanford, Alex served as the Chief Security Officer of Facebook. In this role, Stamos was charged with understanding and mitigating information security risks to the company and safety risks to the 2.5 billion people on Facebook, Instagram and WhatsApp. He led the company's investigation into manipulation of the 2016 US election and helped pioneer several successful protections against these new classes of abuse.

Before joining Facebook, Alex was the Chief Information Security Officer at Yahoo, rebuilding a storied security team while dealing with multiple assaults by nation-state actors. In 2004, Alex co-founded iSEC Partners, an elite security consultancy. As a trusted partner to world's largest technology firms, Alex coordinated the response to the "Aurora" attacks by the People's Liberation Army at multiple Silicon Valley firms and led groundbreaking work securing the world's largest desktop and mobile platforms. During this time, he also served as an expert witness in several notable civil and criminal cases, such as the Google Street View incident, Sony vs George Hotz and US vs Aaron Swartz. iSEC Partners was acquired by NCC Group plc in 2013.

A noted speaker and writer, he has appeared at the Munich Security Conference, NATO CyCon, Web Summit, DEF CON, Berkeley Data Edge Blue Hat, CanSecWest, and Black Hat and was chosen as the 2018 Drell Lecturer by Stanford's Center for International Security and Cooperation. He has also highlighted the work of diverse technologists as an organizer of the Stanford Trust and Safety Research Conference, Trustworthy Technology Conference and OURSA. He was named as one of the Fortune 40 under 40 and Time100 Next.

Alex was previously a member of the DHS Cybersecurity Advisory Council, the Annan Commission on Elections and Democracy and the Aspen Commission on Information Disorder. He is a member of the Aspen Institute's Cyber Security Task Force, the Bay Area CSO Council and the Council on Foreign Relations. Alex also serves on the advisory board to NATO's Collective Cybersecurity Center of Excellence in Tallinn, Estonia.

Stamos has a BS in Electrical Engineering and Computer Science from the University of California, Berkeley. He lives in the Bay Area with his wife and three children.