

Bio for John P. Wack:

John P. Wack is a computer scientist and researcher at the National Institute of Standards and Technology (NIST). He has authored and managed a variety of government agency-related security guidance and assistance activities and reports, notably in the area of voting security, smartcards, and network security. His most recent work is in managing the voting team at NIST responsible for developing the next version of the Voluntary Voting Systems Guidelines.

His goals at NIST include making technology more understandable and manageable by the masses of system administrators, small business, and others who need to understand key computer information technology concepts and which way the technology is being developed and used. In voting, his goals include producing new standards that result in an improved testing and development process for electronic voting systems and in producing requirements for voting systems that are secure, usable, and accessible.