

Mark Gross
President/CEO Oak Grove Technologies

Mark is the founder and CEO of Oak Grove. A former US Army enlisted soldier and a graduate of Catholic University in Washington, DC, Mark continued his public service under the DOJ Honors Program in 1991 with the US Department of Justice Antitrust Division. Assigned to the Communications and Finance Sections Bank Merger Unit, Mark assumed sole responsibility of a six member team within six months. During this time, Mark improved relations with other regulatory agencies to facilitate the sharing of vital information collected by different governmental agencies. For this Mark was presented the Assistant AG (Ann Bingaman) Award in 1993, 1994 and the AG (Janet Reno) Award in 1995. During his DOJ career, he was assigned to many high profile Government investigations to include Microsoft, AT&T, and NASDAQ. Upon leaving public service, he held several Management level positions in Sales and Marketing with Fortune 500 Companies, achieving Presidents club status five consecutive years. Mark was legal editor of the 1st publication – *Veterans Benefits Manual – An Advocates Guide To Veterans Benefits* and is active with NDIA, AFCEA, and a Founding Member of the American Legion, National Economic Committees Small Business Task Force. In March of 2006 Mark was selected to serve on the SBA's Veterans Advisory Committee, a committee that advises both the White House and the Congress on Veterans Business Issues.

Oak Grove is the first SDVO small business to be accepted into the DOD Mentor Protégé Program, and is the 2007 DOD Nunn Perry Award Winner, as well as the DOD, Inaugural 2007 Service Disabled Veteran Company of the year.

Mark, his wife, and two daughters reside in Raleigh, NC.