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Chris Avants Earns a CWNE[®] — One of the Most Respected Designations in the IT Industry Today.

Avants is the 164th Wireless Professional to Join the Certified Wireless Network Experts Ranks, the Prestigious Last Step in the CWNP Program

DURHAM, N.C., September 04, 2015 – <u>CWNP</u>, <u>LLC</u> (<u>Certified Wireless Network Professional</u>), has announced Chris Avants as the newest Certified Wireless Network Expert (CWNE[®]). Avants becomes only the 164th person worldwide to hold this prestigious title, recognized as one of the 10 most difficult designations to earn within the IT industry. The CWNE certification assures that the newly certified wireless professional has mastered all of the skills required of, and measured by CWNP, including design, installation, configuration as well as the ability to administer and troubleshoot wireless network systems. CWNE professionals are typically at the pinnacle of their respective fields, skilled at advanced design, protocol analysis, intrusion detection and prevention, performance and quality of service (QoS) analysis, and spectrum analysis and management.

Based in Austin, Texas, Avants works as a Sr. Cisco Instructor at Fast Lane, a leading provider of advanced IT Training courses. He has an experience of thousands of hours in the classroom as a Sr. Network Instructor, helping students from all of the world learn advanced networking concepts. Avants has numerous career highlights, among them the design and deployment of advanced technology solutions from Cisco Systems, Microsoft, Acme Packet, and VMARE specializing in Wireless, Security, and Unified Communications solutions.

"CWNP is proud to welcome Chris Avants to the CWNE family," said Brad Crump, General Manager of CWNP. "His experience in wireless networking is an asset to our growing list of top wireless professionals and it will go a long way toward advancing his own personal career in wireless," adds Crump. He adds: "This advanced certification will enable Mr. Avants to deliver new value to students. It is just the beginning of many exciting things to come."

To all aspiring CWNEs out there, Avants suggests: "CWNE is an elite status that very few even dare to attempt in the first place. Also it shows your expertise has been thoroughly verified through one of the longest and most thorough committee review processes." He continues, "I chose CWNP certifications to demonstrate an expert level of competency in wireless from a vendor neutral perspective. Having vendor certifications is great, honestly they have undoubtedly help me get where I am today."

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