

## No Password Required: The Former NSA Director, an Elite Storyteller Whose Life Resembles a Grisham Novel

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depth conversation that explores our guests' personalities, expertise, and the path that led them into cybersecurity. The team also discusses current cyber threats and readiness tips for security professionals and business leaders alike.

Vice Admiral Mike McConnell is the former director of the National Security Agency (NSA) and the current Executive Director of Cyber Florida. In this two-part episode, VADM McConnell stuns the No Password Required team to silence with stories of his life, which just so happens to resemble a riveting Grisham novel. A few highlights include the reason he refuses to drink cheap beer (or formaldehyde), some iconic moments during his time at the NSA, and more. Ernie, Jack, and Pablo break down the Strengthening Cybersecurity Act and the biggest commitment one can make: cowboy boots. In the Technologue segment, Pablo discusses the importance of cloud vulnerability evolution.

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