



## James R.J. Martin II Biography



Jim Martin is President and CEO of Citynet. He began his entrepreneurial career while still a computer science student at WVU. Upon graduation, he started MARCOM, a regional Internet ISP, website design and hosting business. MARCOM was later purchased by City National Bank along with Charleston-based Citynet. Mr. Martin became the CEO of the new venture.

Mr. Martin then led a team of highly respected investors to purchase Citynet from City National Bank. At that time, Citynet had about 20 employees. Today, Citynet is a privately owned full-service telecommunications company with offices in Bridgeport, Morgantown, and Charleston, WV, Columbus, OH and Pittsburgh, PA. The company has grown to include over 100 highly trained and well educated employees.

Under Mr. Martin's leadership, Citynet has moved from being solely an Internet Service Provider (ISP) in West Virginia to become the region's largest and most trusted provider of integrated telecommunication services; offering next-generation telecommunications and comprehensive Managed Information Technology Services in West Virginia, Western Pennsylvania, and Ohio. Many of these services are delivered via Citynet's wholly-owned, state-of-the-art, fiber-optic network.

Mr. Martin is an active Board of Director member of the Harrison County Development Authority. As a pioneer of the effort to bring reliable, high-speed broadband Internet access to all of West Virginia, Mr. Martin serves as a dedicated board member of the West Virginia Broadband Deployment Council. In addition, he is a member of the Board of Directors of the Bridgeport County Club.

Outside of the office, Mr. Martin enjoys skiing, kayaking, scuba diving and flying his Piper Cherokee. He resides in Bridgeport, WV with his wife and three children.

### **Awards and Acknowledgments:**

- 2008 Who's Who in WV Business Award – The State Journal
- 2007 Citynet Selected as Business of the Year – Harrison County Chamber
- 2000 WV Young Gun Award – WV Executive Magazine
- 1995 Young Entrepreneur Award – US Small Business Administration

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