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Catherine Paquet is a practitioner and a published author in the field of Internetworking, Network Security and Security Financials. Catherine has in-depth knowledge of security systems, remote access, and routing technology. She is a Cisco Certified Security Professional and a Cisco Certified Network Professional. She is also a Certified Cisco Systems Instructor and an Cisco IronPort Security Systems Instructor with Cisco's largest training partner, Global Knowledge Inc. Her most recent consulting projects include conducting security assessments, performing network designs, configuring and implementing security solutions such as firewalls, virtual private networks, web filters and intrusion prevention solutions.



Following her graduation from the Collège militaire royal de Saint-Jean in 1986, she worked as a system analyst on the computerized inventory system of the Canadian Forces for the Land Engineering Test Establishment (LETE) and at NDHQ. She also worked as a Local Area Network manager at LFCA HQ, and then as I.S. manager for the Central Recruiting Zone. Eventually, she planned and installed the first CF Recruiting Wide-Area network which linked all 42 Recruiting centres with frame-relay and dial-up connections.

In 1994, Catherine earned a Masters in Business Administration (M.B.A.) with a concentration in Management Information Systems (M.I.S.) from York University - Schulich School of Business.

Catherine left the CF in 1997 to join Global Knowledge where she became the course director for remote access and security courses. She was promoted Director of Technical Resources for Canada before retiring in 2003. Catherine is back at lecturing part-time for Global Knowledge.

Recently, on the invitation of Cisco Systems, she visited 22 emerging countries as part of a book tour promoting her manuscript her latest Security book. In 2002 and 2003, Catherine volunteered with the United Nations mission in Kabul, Afghanistan, to train Afghan public servants in the area of networking.

Catherine is married to 11306 Pierre Rivard, RMC '77. Pierre is the President and CEO of Magenn Power Inc. They have two children: a daughter, Laurence, who studies engineering at McMaster University and a son, Simon, who is doing a Bachelor of Science in Nursing at Laurentian University.