John R. Deal - Biography

John R. (Grizz) Deal has over twenty years of experience in technology commercialization and fast growing ventures, in both product development and chief executive roles.

He is CEO of Hyperion Power Generation and formerly Entrepreneur in Residence at Technology Ventures Corporation for the Nuclear Energy division of the U.S. Department of Energy. Grizz is also managing director at Purple Mountain Ventures (PMV), serving a dozen international firms on product development, capital expansion, and marketing. Grizz is also a founder of the U.S. National Lab Seed Fund, a venture capital fund focused on innovations developed by the U.S. Department of Energy laboratory complex.

In addition, Grizz was visiting entrepreneur at Los Alamos National Laboratory (LANL), chief marketing officer for Space Imaging, the founder and former CEO of LizardTech, and a consulting scientist at LANL.

Grizz is a frequent speaker and writer on energy policy, starting and growing advanced technology-based ventures, and issues in raising capital for such ventures. He is a member of the board of directors for the International Clean Energy Alliance, and serves on the board of several PMV portfolio firms.

Grizz has raised over \$200 million in risk capital for his ventures and holds graduate and undergraduate degrees in geospatial science from Texas A&M University.