

## Joseph Buckler Walton, ABD, CISSP Public Speaking Biography

Joe has been a leader in technology and business administration for over twenty years serving in both entrepreneurial and large enterprise roles. His technology experience began with telecom carrier installation and grew into consulting and information security leadership roles. He holds a CISSP, among other industry certifications, in technology infrastructure and information security disciplines.

He has been active in public policy & non-profit service in central Virginia for many years and in various capacities including as a former Chair of the Powhatan County Board of Supervisors and third place finisher in the 2018 Mid-term election for U.S. House from the 7th District in Virginia.

As a former distributed computing nerd, Bitcoin miner, and all-around cryptocurrency HODLer, his first public policy paper on cryptocurrency was in the fall of 2014 available on SSRN, written before blockchain took on a life of its own in 2015. Since then, he has written, presented, and spoken extensively on cryptocurrency, blockchain, socio-economic value, and the social life of money, with concept papers and drafts pending for publication. His interests focus on use cases for cryptocurrencies and blockchains to further digital identity, security, privacy, and decentralized governance to further liberal democratic principles.

He believes U.S. legislators and regulators should exhort the safe and effective interaction with blockchain and cryptocurrency by the general public and surveil and collaborate internationally on worldwide usage of blockchain and cryptocurrencies generally in public and private sector domains.

Public and private-sector levels and layers of governance increasingly need cost effective and secure technologies to meet their administrative and process needs. Typically, this results in mergers and consolidation of control and administration into ever larger bureaucracies and monopolies because of economies and efficiencies of scale rhetoric. However, with distributed database systems that transcend proprietary brands and are not siloed at any given layer of governance or hedged by trust boundaries, these needs can be met with while supporting decentralized governance. Public/neutral-party blockchains and cryptocurrencies, where individuals or groups trust and control selective access to their own data and value exchange, can resist corporate and public sector tendencies and trends to monopolize or nationalize bureaucracies, or malicious agents' attempts to compromise those systems.

He earned his B. S. in Science, with a minor in Physics, and Master of Public Administration (MPA) from Virginia Commonwealth University (VCU). He is currently an ABD Ph.D. Candidate in the Public Policy & Administration Ph.D. program at the L. Douglas Wilder School of Government & Public Affairs at VCU. His doctoral research focuses on the semiotics of money, cryptocurrency, blockchain, socio-economic value, behavioral economics, social & technical change, and public policy.

### **Prior speaking engagements:**

2017 – [AMCIS – Boston \(Info. Sys.\)](#), Completed Research Paper Accepted & Presented: *Understanding Digital Crime, Trust, and Control in Blockchain Technologies*

2018 – [Richmond Chapter AITP](#) Panelist on blockchain and cryptocurrency in the public sector

2018 – [Blockchain 9 Conference](#) Panelist on blockchain and cryptocurrency in the public sector

2019 – [The Future of Money, Governance & the Law](#) Speaker and panelist on blockchain, crypto and crime and law enforcement

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2019 – ISC(2) Richmond Chapter [RVAbc Conference](#) Speaker and panelist on blockchain and healthcare

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