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**FORMER HEAD OF TSA DAVID M. STONE  
JOINS VIDIENT SYSTEMS' ADVISORY BOARD**

**As Assistant Secretary of Homeland Security for TSA,  
He Oversaw Security for Entire US Transportation System**

SUNNYVALE, Calif., August 30, 2005 – The former Assistant Secretary of Homeland Security for the Transportation Security Administration (TSA), David M. Stone, has joined the Board of Advisors of Vidient Systems, Inc., the video surveillance software company announced today.

A recognized global security expert, Admiral Stone has more than 30 years of hands-on experience in the national and homeland security arena, most recently serving for 18 months as head of the TSA, a position in which he was appointed by President George W. Bush and unanimously confirmed by the U.S. Senate. In this position, he was responsible for the security of the U.S. Transportation System, which encompasses the mass transit, rail, highway, pipeline, maritime and aviation modes of transportation across the country.

“Adm. Stone is an extraordinary person who has consistently demonstrated an ability to tackle the toughest jobs, and his time at the TSA ranks at the top of the list,” said Brooks McChesney, founder, president and CEO of Vidient Systems, Inc. “He has an unequalled grasp of the security challenges facing our society today, and his insight will be invaluable as we continue to meet the most pressing security needs of our customers around the world.”

While the leader of the TSA, Adm. Stone managed a \$5.6 billion budget and led an organization of more than 54,000 people. Prior to his position at TSA, he was the first Department of Homeland Security, Federal Security Director at Los Angeles International Airport, the largest origin and destination airport in the world where he established post September 11, 2001 security standards.

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“We have never faced a time when security is a higher priority,” said Adm. Stone. “I have devoted my professional life to this field, and I look forward to lending my experience and capabilities to Brooks and the team at Vidient as they continue to develop and deploy some of the industry’s most advanced security technologies.”

Vidient Systems’ flagship product SmartCatch 2.1 is video behavior recognition software that delivers the industry’s highest level of accuracy in detecting security violations and integrating with a wide range of other sensor systems such as access control for full situational awareness. SmartCatch also provides intelligent response management by alerting security personnel of violations in real time including relevant incident data like location and time while also providing instant video replay.

SmartCatch is currently used in major international airports including San Francisco International Airport, San Diego International Airport and Salt Lake City International Airport. SmartCatch 2.1 is available immediately through Vidient Systems, Inc., NEC Solutions America, Inc. (NECSAM), Texas Technical Services, Inc., and Warren Associates.

**About Vidient Systems, Inc.**

Vidient Systems, Inc. designs, develops and deploys behavior recognition software systems that enable video surveillance cameras to monitor for and detect behaviors that threaten safety and security, alerting guards in real-time and intelligently managing event response. It is used today to monitor secure locations at major transportation facilities, corporations and public institutions. The Sunnyvale, Calif.-based company was founded in 2003 and is funded by leading global venture investors Blueprint Ventures, Trident Capital and Hotung Venture Capital. For more information visit [www.vidient.com](http://www.vidient.com).

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