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## Troutman Pepper CIO Pramesh Naik Receives 2020 Georgia CIO of the Year ORBIE Award

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ATLANTA – Pramesh Naik, Troutman Pepper's chief information officer, has been named among GeorgiaCIO's 2020 CIO of the Year® ORBIE® Award winners. Naik was recognized in the Enterprise category for organizations with more than \$500 million in annual revenue. The national awards honor CIOs who have demonstrated excellence in technology leadership.

"I am honored to be recognized by GeorgiaCIO as a CIO of the Year and congratulate my fellow honorees," Naik said. "This year has certainly proven challenging for CIOs across every industry as businesses have had to adapt rapidly in response to COVID-19. At Troutman Pepper, we not only successfully transitioned to a remote workforce but simultaneously completed the largest merger in our law firm's 120-year history."

Naik has served as the firm's CIO since April 2017 and is responsible for driving innovation, efficiency and client service through technology. He began his career as an IT manager at Bank of America in London, moving to Serco Inc, a Department of Defense contractor and eventually into the legal industry, serving in the London office of three law firms before he transitioned stateside to the Atlanta office of Kilpatrick Stockton in 2004. He first joined Troutman Sanders (now Troutman Pepper) in 2010 and served as its Director of Information Technology for four years before joining Constangy, Brooks, Smith & Prophete as CIO.

Naik was honored in a virtual awards ceremony on Nov. 6 that was attended by more than 400 individuals. Honorees were selected by an independent peer review process, led by prior award recipients, based upon leadership and management effectiveness, business value created by technology innovation and engagement in industry and community endeavors.

The CIO of the Year ORBIE Awards began in 1998, and since then, over 1,200 CIOs have been honored as finalists and over 300 CIO of the Year winners have received the prestigious ORBIE Award. GeorgiaCIO is one of 17 chapters of the InspireCIO Leadership Network, a national membership organization comprised exclusively of CIOs from public and private businesses, government, education, health care and nonprofit institutions.

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