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MeridianLink Appoints Raj Patel as Chief Technology Officer

Seasoned technology leader brings SaaS, AI expertise to power platform innovation

Irvine, CA — January 6, 2026— MeridianLink, Inc., a leading provider of modern software platforms for financial institutions and consumer reporting agencies, today announced that Raj Patel has joined as Chief Technology Officer (CTO).

Patel is a highly accomplished technology leader with decades of experience scaling, transforming, and innovating global technology platforms in enterprise SaaS and tier-one consumer companies. As CTO, Patel will accelerate MeridianLink’s customer centric innovation, advancing AI-driven solutions and marketplace integrations that power credit unions and banks to grow, scale, and serve their communities.

“With Raj’s leadership, we will accelerate innovation of MeridianLink’s smarter, connected and future-ready digital lending platform and ensure we continue to deliver secure, scalable, and reliable solutions for our customers,” said Larry Katz, CEO and President of MeridianLink. “Raj is a seasoned leader who brings a passion for driving business growth through technology strategy, disciplined execution, and innovation. We are thrilled to welcome Raj to the MeridianLink team.”

Most recently, Patel served as Executive in Residence for R&D at Permira, a global private and growth equity firm with more than \$80 billion in assets under management, where he partnered with portfolio company leadership teams and boards to drive technology value creation, AI readiness, and cloud transformation initiatives.

Previously, Patel held senior leadership roles at Genesys, where he served as Senior Vice President and Multi-Cloud CTO, leading global engineering teams responsible for a ~\$1 billion customer experience platform. His leadership helped modernize the platform, improve resiliency to 99.999%, and deliver world-class customer satisfaction. His career also includes senior technology roles at Symantec, Pinterest, Salesforce, Cisco/Webex, and Yahoo.

“I’m excited to join MeridianLink at such a pivotal moment,” said Patel. “The company has a strong foundation, a compelling mission, and an opportunity to further accelerate innovation across its platform. I look forward to partnering with the talented teams as we continue to reimagine customer experiences and bring AI innovations to market.”

Patel holds an MBA with Honors from the University of Southern California, a BS in Electrical Engineering with Honors from California State University Northridge and completed the Director's Consortium program at Stanford University.

About MeridianLink

MeridianLink[®] powers digital lending and account opening for financial institutions and fintechs. The company's multi-product platform helps customers simplify workflows, improve user experiences, and accelerate growth. With solutions that span consumer and mortgage loan origination, data verification, analytics, collections, and more, MeridianLink enables financial institutions to deliver smarter, faster financial experiences. For more information, visit www.meridianlink.com.

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