

OUR TEAM



Miami Crypto Exchange



CORE TEAM



Victor Romero - CEO

Victor was born in San Cristóbal, Táchira, Venezuela. He lived there through high school graduation, then accepting an invitation to the highly regarded Venezuelan Air Force Academy (Military Aviation School). He was ranked number one in the Survival, Evasion, Resistance and Escape Military Program, coordinated by the Venezuelan Special Forces. From there, Victor was selected to fly an AT-27 Tucano, later graduating as an Officer with the highest score of Aviation Intelligence Specialist in 2008. Romero resigned after a year of flying and left the service to become an entrepreneur, successfully creating several Fintech and Blockchain startups.

In 2011, he graduated with a Masters of Science in Public Management from the National Experimental University of Tachira. At the age of 23, Romero founded the VH Editorial Corporation and wrote his first book called *Do not wait any longer, do it now!*, which became a bestseller in the MicroEconomics field. Over the course of the next several years, Victor was a motivational speaker, lecturing young entrepreneurs on how to create successful companies and pursue their dreams.

Because of his startups, business experiences, and public exposure, Victor became a very sought after figure - his work and ideas mentioned in magazines and other media. He acted as a role model for the next generation, and later as a Global Shaper of the World Economic Forum. After coming to the United States, Victor was licensed Series 2 as an Agent of Annuities and Variable Contracts in the Transamerica Corporation, also becoming a member of the World Financial Group.

After being licensed, he created Adventurous Entertainment, LLC, and began the development of several startups - the most important being Mercury Cash.



Giordano Lugo - CMO

Giordano was born in San Cristobal, Tachira, Venezuela. In 2005, he received his Advanced Technical Degree in Systems from Instituto Universitario de Tecnologia (IUT). After completion of his first degree, he began studies in graphic design at the University Antonio José de Sucre. Because of his outstanding skills, he began working as a graphic designer for well known studios such as VH Corporation, where he acted as the Creative Director. It was here that they decided to give life to Jaimito- a cartoon very well known in Latin and South America.

Because of his professionalism and expertise, Lugo continued his career working on many other important visual projects. Then in 2016, he was offered the position of Creative Director with Mercury Cash, which is where he continues to contribute his time and talents



Marco Pirrongelli - CTO

B.S., Systems Engineer, Andres Bello Catholic University.

Mr. Pirrongelli has a Bachelor's of Science in Systems Engineering from Andres Bello Catholic University. He has worked in a Cisco environment that led to the 3rd place of sales in Latin America for Small Business in 2012, and holds many certifications - Cisco Systems Sales Engineer & Account Manager Engineer Certified, HIPAA Certification, and has completed more than 180 hours of Microsoft Server, Active Directory and Exchange environments courses.

He has worked on many interesting projects, including building 40 square miles of network for an entire community, allowing more than 300 families to connect to the internet. Marco has also deployed several Microsoft Server environments, from 25 to 50 desktops for 100 Montaditos franchises, The Cheese Course Franchise, Pizza Hut, & Naked Pizza. He also successfully deployed a Microsoft Exchange Multi-Tenant Server for 10,000 users in 2013.

With over 15 years of experience in the IT services industry, he has experience in design, development, installation, implementation, maintenance, and network support solutions. Microsoft active directory environments, point to point WiMax connections, Linux & Windows Server environments, IT Management, Web & Graphic design for software and development, Cloud & Virtualization environments under VMware & Hyper-V, Amazon & Google cloud integrator for business needs.

Mr. Pirrongelli works as Mercury Cash CTO, leading the entire IT and Programming Team.



Saša Jokić - Lead Research

Saša Jokić comes from the former European country of Yugoslavia. After moving to the US, he settled in Orlando, Florida, with his wife and kids. As a blockchain evangelist with a background in business from UW Milwaukee, he feels right at home at Mercury Cash - one of the first licensed cryptocurrency brokers in the state of Florida. When Saša is not watching the crypto market and analyzing investment opportunities, you can find him at a local meetup. Passionate about blockchain and cryptocurrencies, Saša enjoys staying up to date on the future financial evolution and discussing the subject with other like-minded people. His favorite quote is, "Doing whatever you feel like doing is always an option."



Carlos Arias - Communications

Carlos was born in Lecheria, Venezuela. Beginning his career in the army, he obtained several distinguished awards. In 2008, he graduated with the highest academic score of his class and as an Officer of the Venezuelan Air Force. He resigned from the service a year and a half after graduation.

Shortly after leaving the army, the World Philosophical Forum appointed him as Coordinator for the Educational Program for World Citizens (currently holds this position).

Throughout his career, he has written two books, three philosophical theories, one educational methodology, several articles, and has spoken at two major international events (Annual Symposium of the World Philosophical Forum – Athens; and the National Philosophical Congress – Lima). As Director with the Dremore Corporation, he simultaneously managed project teams in Venezuela, Ireland and Mexico.

Carlos is always studying, keeping up with the latest in technology and challenging himself to think outside the box. He is fluent in English and German, and holds a Master's of Science Higher Education. Carlos has continued his learning by taking several more college courses, giving him a unique perspective on many different areas of business- legal, governance, marketing, systems, and compliance regulations.

Carlos joined Mercury Cash where he currently works in Communications full time, giving a new perspective to this growing industry.



Luis Camacho - Lead Developer

Born in 1991, in Caracas, Venezuela, Luis graduated as a Systems Engineer in 2012 from Santiago Mariño Institute. He was curious about the lifecycle of the systems that, at the time, were used by almost every large company in Venezuela. He worked as a system engineer to fix IBM and Dell Servers, and virtually any other network environment at that time. However, he found that engineering not only included systems, but also the great world of coding. He learned many coding languages, starting with Java and C#, then moving on to Silverlight and .NET.

Currently, he works with the Solidity Team as the Team Leader and iOS Developer for Mercury Cash.



Libana Abdul - Lead Infrastructure

Born in Merida, Venezuela, in 1989, Libana graduated with a Engineering degree in Telecommunications from UNEFA. She also holds a Master's Degree in Telecommunications from ULA. From the very beginning, she focused her educational career on Telecom businesses, however, a few months after graduating she found a new focus for her career interests. Server infrastructure, especially in the Linux OS, is her specialty. She has 5+ years of experience leading the entire Infrastructure, Server and Nodes Security in Mercury Cash.



Gabriela Rodriguez - Lead Compliance

Gabriela is an experienced architect, having worked in the field for close to 10 years. She graduated in 2017, and has worked as an external designer for multiple companies and individuals in Venezuela. She maintained excellent relations with her clients, always involved and concerned about the quality and feasibility of her projects, thus becoming involved in issues of costs and governmental regulations. Because Gabriela is creative, proactive, and learns quickly, paired with her skills in digital and computer programs, she was the perfect candidate to join forces with the team at Mercury Cash. As a leader in the development and scalability of compliance, she keeps the company current on the latest regulations and requirements regarding direct transmittance, registration of securities and other investments, and security provisions imposed on federal laws. Through the implementation of software and systems, she helps meet the quality and compliance demanded by the industry while doing so more efficiently, thus providing long-term investment protection.



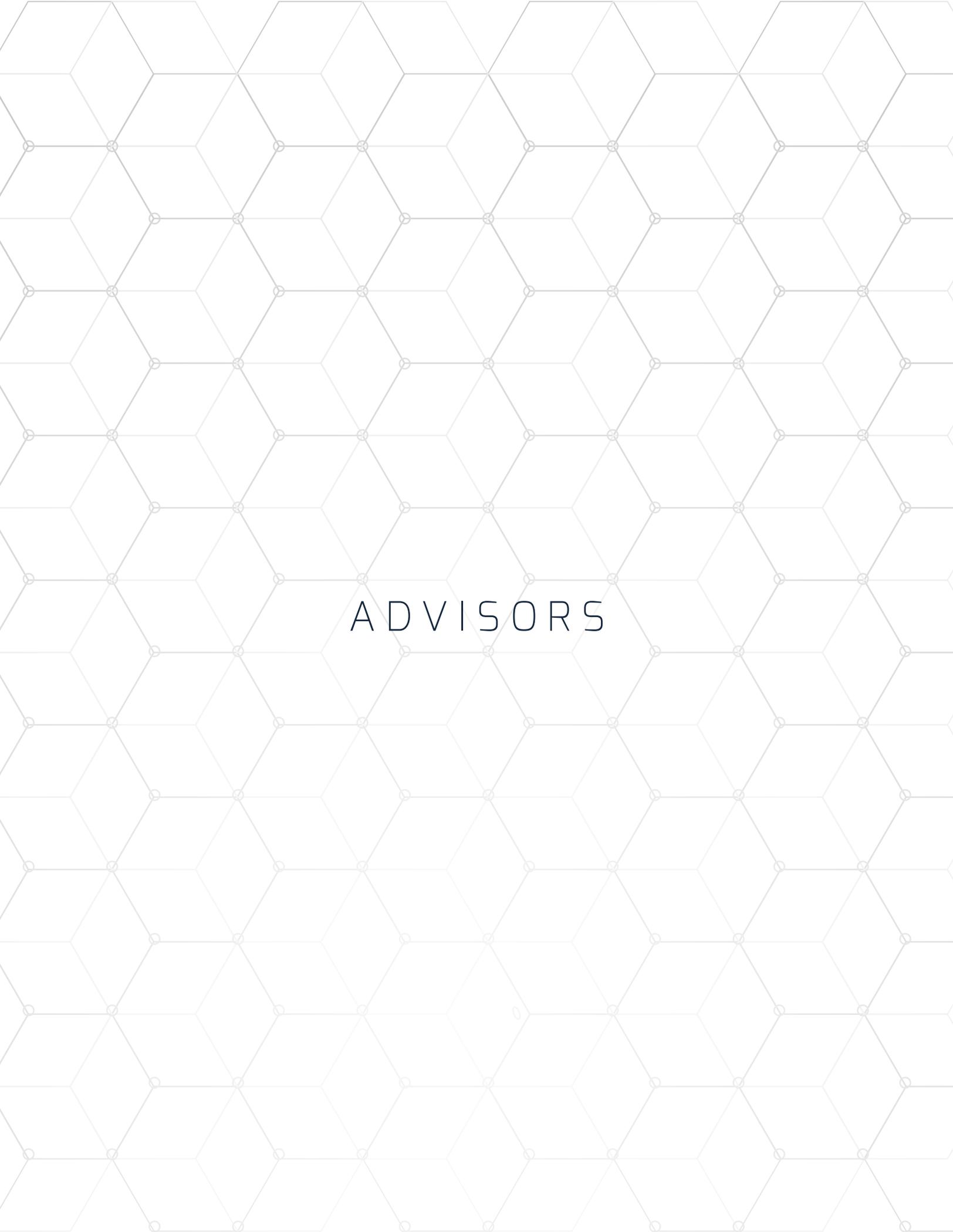
Mary Melendez - Accountant

Born in the U.S. in Ann Arbor, Michigan, Mary moved to San Cristobal, Venezuela, at the young age of 2 years old. There, she grew up, studied and graduated with an Advanced Technical Degree in Human Resources Administration from the University of Jesus Enrique Lozada, finishing her certification as a Public Accountant from the Open National University of Venezuela.

In the beginning of her career, she worked as Human Resources Manager for over three years with the Editorial "Futuro", gaining experience in the business and enterprise field. But her passion was with public administration and accounting, so she began work as an Auxiliary Accountant for the University Mariscal Ayaacucho. Later she invested 17 years in public administration, working for 15 years as Administrative Manager of the National Housing Institution of the San Cristobal District and another 2 years as Administrative Coordinator of the Accounting Office of the of the San Cristobal District Town Hall.

For 13 years of her career in Public Administration, she was the Producer and Coordinator for Non-Profit Events and Programs for Social Assistance in all the suburbs of the district. Mary Carmen has completed many continuing education courses for personal and professional improvement, in the areas of accounting, administration, public administration, planning, public relationship, informatics, communication and more.

As accountant, her expertise includes a combination of knowledge and experience in project planning, accounting, budgeting, and corporate budget and finance.



ADVISORS



Max Hooper - Merging Traffic

Max Hooper is the corporate liaison, responsible for the management and growth strategy of Merging Traffic, serving multiple industries and various capital formation groups. Prior to heading Merging Traffic, Max was co-founder of Equity Broadcasting Corporation -- a media company that owned and operated more than one hundred television stations across the United States. Dr. Hooper was responsible for activities in the cable, satellite, investment banking and technology industries. During his tenure, it grew to become one of the ten largest broadcasting companies in the country. Dr. Hooper has started multiple businesses in the technology, lodging, internet, and service industries. Additionally, he served as President of Mergers and Acquisitions for a national financial services company. Max has served on the investment committee of several venture capital and angel funds, and has completed "work out" transactions as a Certified Debt Arbitrator, representing banks and private transactions. A lifelong learner, Dr. Hooper has earned five doctorate degrees, Ph.D, D.Min, Th.D, Ph.D, D.Min, from a variety of institutions. As an avid runner, he has completed more than one hundred marathons, an additional twenty ultra-marathons (which are fifty or one hundred mile runs), and the Grand Slam of Ultra Running. Dr. Hooper is committed to his family as a husband, father to five children, and grandfather to seven grandsons. He is active in many organizations and serves on various boards of directors, and works globally with several ministries and non-profit aid groups. Max had the honor of speaking at the United Nations in New York in 2015.



David Metcalf - Merging Traffic

David Metcalf is the Director of the Mixed Emerging Technology Integration Lab (METIL) at University of Central Florida's Institute for Simulation and Training. Dr. Metcalf has more than twenty years of experience in the design and research of web-based and mobile technologies converging to enable learning and healthcare. His approaches have saved companies millions of dollars while guiding business transformations for learning organizations. Specific areas of Dr. Metcalf's focus include learning business strategy, performance measurement, operational excellence, outsourcing, blended learning and mobile learning. His current research topics include simulation, mobilization, mobile patient records and medical decision support systems, visualization systems, scalability models, secure mobile data communications, gaming, innovation management, and operational excellence.

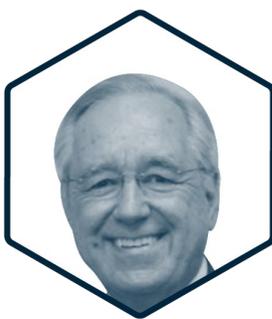


Ruben Velez - Mercurios Capital

Ruben was born and raised in Cucuta, Colombia. He attended La Salle School of Cucuta, then going on to study six semesters of business management at the University of Santander. Ruben discontinued his studies to follow his father's footsteps and becoming an advisor for currency exchange at an early age.

Cambios Mercurio is the name of Ruben's first entrepreneurship at the age of 14, an exchange business which is currently operating in Cucuta, Colombia. 'Cambios Mercurio' gave him the ability to invest in a fund called "Mercurios Capital", that currently speeds up many start ups. At the age of 24 he started playing golf as a hobby, becoming an Amateur member of the Colombian Golf Association and winning several tournaments inside and outside of Colombia.

Ruben has a lifetime of experiences with the exchange market. He and his wife Maria Gomez were part of the seed capital investment of Mercury Cash. Now he is as a Key Adviser to the firm.



John Lessel - Legal Counsel

Currently a member of the Section of Taxation of the Arkansas Bar Association.

He has provided technical assistance to the Arkansas General Assembly on state tax legislation.

Mr. Lessel received his law degree with honors from the University of San Diego in 1976.

Has a Master of Laws in Taxation from the University of San Diego in 1981 and became a Board Recognized Tax Law Specialist in Arkansas in 1986. He is also licensed to practice in California.



***James Whelan - Blockchain Architect
& Advisor***

Has 30+ years of experience working in the information technology, software, and services industries.

Certified professional in Scrum, DevOps, agile methodologies and project management.

Master's degree in Business Administration.



***Mark Piccini - Project Manager
& Advisor***

Managing Partner at Blockchain Agility.

20 years of experience in business operations and processes.

Works in the Blockchain, Gaming and Defense industries.

Entrepreneur who has started 5 companies since 2003.

BS in Business Administration (BGSU).

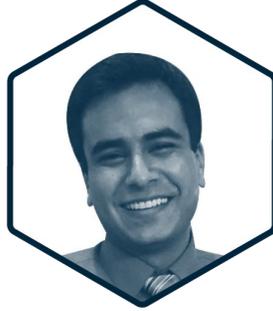


***Patrick T. Murphy - Family Office
Outreach & Advisor***

Founder of Blockchain Agility.

Experienced in consulting, advising and recruiting top-talented c-level executives, developers and advisors in the blockchain space.

High level knowledge of how to build teams to successfully harness emerging and leading-edge technologies.



***Rick Tapia - Marketing Director
& Advisor***

Industry expert and leader in the Marketing & Business Analysis of Blockchain platforms and their subsequent infrastructures.

Brings a wealth of experience and knowledge in the areas of strategy, metrics, start-to-finish processes, implementation, marketing and public relations along with the proper formation of corporate structure for Blockchain-based projects.

BS in Business Management.



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