

ISAAC LIDSKY

Tech Entrepreneur

Over the years, he has been a child television star (he played series regular “Weasel” on NBC’s “Saved By The Bell: The New Class”), a Supreme Court clerk (for Justices Sandra Day O’Connor and Ruth Bader Ginsburg), and the co-founder of an internet startup.”

Lidsky graduated from Harvard at 19 with an honors degree in mathematics and computer science. He then founded [x+1], which was later acquired for \$230 million. Fascinated by the burgeoning field of “cyberlaw,” Lidsky left [x+1] and returned to Harvard to attend law school, graduating magna cum laude in 2004 as Editor of the Harvard Law Review and the only student named a Fellow of the Berkman Center for Internet & Society. As a U.S. Justice Department lawyer, Lidsky argued more than a dozen appeals in federal court on behalf of the United States and never lost a case. Along the way, he founded Hope For Vision, a nonprofit organization to fund the development of treatments for blinding diseases and within 5 years grew it to a dozen cities nationwide and more than \$5 million.

In 2016 Lidsky set out to share with others his empowering approach to living and leading, and he was promptly recognized as a visionary thought leader. Penguin Random House acquired for publication his first book, *Eyes Wide Open*, and it hit the shelves as a New York Times best seller in March 2017. TED invited Lidsky to present a mainstage TED Talk at TEDSUMMIT 2016 in Banff, Canada, and it was viewed more than a million times in its first 20 days. Lidsky now consults and speaks to organizations around the world on issues including leadership, accountability and self-empowerment.

In 2018 Lidsky returned to his software development roots, founding Senary Blockchain Ventures to develop new web infrastructure using blockchain and related technologies.

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