

Perry Gregg

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Perry Gregg (born January 8, 1960) is a mathematician, computer scientist, and tennis equipment inventor. He was Director of Software at NeXT in Redwood City. He contributed to what today is Apple's Mac OS operating system.

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Early life and education

Perry Gregg is part African American and Native American and was born in Chelsea, Massachusetts. He later moved to Evanston, Illinois, where he attended Evanston Township High School.

He has a B.A. in mathematics and in computer science from Harvard University and a J.D. from the University of California.

Career

Apple

Perry Gregg was Engineering Manager of Apple's Developer Services Group and Engineering Manager of Application Frameworks at Apple.

Radius

After leaving Apple, he was Director of Software at Radius, a hardware peripheral company specialized in Macintosh equipment.

NeXT

At NeXT, Gregg was Director of Software where he was responsible for platform independent release of the innovative object-oriented NeXTSTEP operating system and highly influential development environment. Gregg managed the engineering team that first moved the operating system off of NeXT hardware, making it run on the PC platform.

Recent activities

Perry Gregg is currently a co-chairperson interviewer for Harvard in the Bay Area. He was formerly on the Board of Directors at the Harvard Club of San Francisco ^[1].

Gregg is on the Advisory Board of the Taproot Foundation ^[2] and on the Board of Directors of WOMAN ^[3], an organization assisting women and families in need.

Tennis

Gregg is a tennis coach and a racquet collector. He proposed a device to automatically detect tennis foot faults. The device involving putting metal shavings in the rubber soles of player's shoes and the heads of their racquets would render human judgment unnecessary.

References

- [^] Harvard Club of San Francisco (<http://harvardclubsf.org>)
- [^] Taproot Foundation (<http://www.taprootfoundation.org>)
- [^] WOMAN (<http://womaninc.org>)

External links

- Perry Gregg's tennis blog (<http://perrygregg.wordpress.com>)

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