Dean L. Cash has lived in San Francisco since 1977. He joined ATEL Capital Group in 1981 as the director of Marketing, was appointed executive vice president in 1983 and became a director in 1984. In 2000, he purchased a majority interest in ATEL and became its chairman and CEO. Over the past four decades, Cash provided the leadership to grow ATEL into a multibillion dollar financial services company, providing equipment leasing to Fortune 1000 companies and venture debt to emerging growth companies.

Prior to his career with ATEL, Cash was a systems engineer with Electronic Data Systems. He later worked for General Electric Corporation, installing computerized patient records systems around North America. Cash graduated with a bachelor’s degree in psychology and math followed by an MBA from Florida State University.

Cash is a member of the San Francisco Symphony Board of Governors and also serves on the board of directors of the Gangagen Corporation, a biotech company researching new treatments for antibiotic-resistant bacteria.

He and his wife, Eliza, established The ATEL Foundation, a private philanthropic organization dedicated to providing funding to groups that seek to better the lives of citizens in their respective communities.