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Experienced Web Developer

I am an ambitious and experienced web developer with the skills and knowledge to solve critical web challenges. I have depth and experience with using different types of frameworks and platforms, and am able to build online system in several languages, specializing in LAMP environments. I also create beautiful graphics. I am a very skilled web designer to complement my ability to develop and code websites. I have also worked with custom and large e-commerce sites, and know tactics to increase revenue. I am honest, hardworking, and very adaptable to new situations or environments.

Qualifications

- Adaptable, web developer with over 27 years experience and education.
- Aptitude to work in a multitude of programming, scripting, and markup languages.
- Skilled at designing and maintaining custom dynamic web sites
- Ability to manage critical tasks and projects.
- Experience with the development process, from initial ideas to building and maintaining finished projects.
- Exceptional ability to work with clients and co-workers.
- Able to adapt to new industry applications and technologies.
- Experienced at solving challenges in everyday business.
- Knowledge of e-commerce and experienced at increasing revenue of online properties.

Skills

• Symphony (5-7)	4 years	• PHP (3-8)	20 years
• Laravel (7-11)	6 years	• MySQL/SQL Server	15 years
• jQuery	15 years	• JavaScript	12 years
• Adobe Photoshop	25 years	• SCSS/CSS	14 year
• Adobe Production Suite	25 years	• Multiple e-commerce platforms	16 years
• Docker/Git	4 years	• Drupal	2 year
• Google Search Central	12 years	• Wordpress	3 years
• API Development	4 years	• Vue JS	1 Year
• Payment Integrations	8 years	• Ad Serving Systems	4 years

Experience

Zing Studios

Software Engineer • March 2022 - June 2025

At Zing Studios, I worked with a multitude of different clients that each had different frameworks and tools. I was the primary developer for a ground-up ecommerce and quoting system in Symfony. I worked on projects for a nationwide law firm using Symfony and automating several processes utilizing external APIs. I worked on a retirement community site with messaging and events using Laravel. I developed a custom image rendering plug-in integrations for a corporate site using Drupal. I worked on several WordPress plug-ins and maintenance across many smaller ecommerce sites. I worked on a complete custom framework for a food delivery service. I jumped between many projects and working with many different developers within the organization, picking up a wide array of skills along the way.

Achievements:

- Worked on many LAMP sites in Symfony, Laravel, Drupal, WordPress and more.
- Build complete custom e-commerce site from the ground up in Symfony.
- Worked with in house and external developers to complete complex projects in git workflow.
- Worked with small companies to large corporations on projects of various scale.
- Worked through many complex upgrades for frameworks, packages, Docker, and more.
- Always willing to take on any project in any framework for any client as a key contributor.

Suzuki Association of the Americas

Senior Web Developer • December 2013 - February 2022

At the Suzuki Association of the Americas, I was the only web developer. I had the responsibility of defining, building, and running everything on a large custom web application. I completely custom tailored the site to the needs of the association. The site integrated page, news, blog, forum, e-mail list system, user management, event management, conference management, stats, and additional association customized applications. In my time at the Suzuki Association I had rebuilt many of the systems and was responsible for writing all of their new applications. I have ensured that everything I developed for the Suzuki Association is well thought through, the UI is clear to an older generation of teachers, and is built to require a minimum amount of man hours to maintain after launch. With my attention to detail and vigilance the association had a perfect security record over my 8 year tenure.

Achievements:

- Built and maintained large, integrated, custom LAMP web application.
- Increased donations by building donation system using custom graphics, jQuery, PHP, and MySQL.
- Key component of the success of the association by determining the best way to implement objectives.
- Rebuilt and ran auditioning, rating, and communication of a custom event system.
- 300%+ gain in organic search traffic after optimizing the site for SEO

Meat Solutions Inc.

Senior Web Developer • February 2012 - March 2022

In the time that I have been there I helped improve several of their sites and built a multitude of online applications that convey large amounts of data in an effective and easy to use format.

Achievements:

- Designed new industry standard web sites for the meat industry.
- Built web applications that effectively & elegantly communicate large amounts of standardization data.
- Setup industry tailored PHP user management system.

Creative Navigation

Web Developer • June 2012 - September 2013

My largest contribution at Creative Navigation was to build an App framework from the ground up using Titanium. This framework was used and modified in several apps that I built for the iOS platform and are still available in the App Store. Also, working at Creative Navigation required me to build sites with graphic heavy designs, and I improved upon my ability to execute pixel perfect control over designs across different browsers, different mobile and desktop screen resolutions, and ensure the site's usability across all platforms.

Achievements:

- Built custom iOS App framework from the ground up using Titanium.
- Built graphic heavy sites that work across a multitude of devices and screen resolutions.
- Worked heavily with jQuery and other tools to create aesthetically pleasing sites.

Interweave Press

Web Developer • August 2007 - June 2012

Adaptability was key for working in the Interweave web environment. During my time at Interweave I had gained a multitude of skills. I had developed applications and add-ons in several different web languages and responsibility for important tasks and projects are often presented to me. Being a team player is key and I am exceptional at working with vendors, senior staff and co-workers.

Achievements:

- Decisively managed projects and tasks to meet critical deadlines.
- Worked directly with vendors and staff to accomplish key goals.
- Created web systems that vastly increased revenue from previous years.
- Ability to adapt quickly and solve any challenges.
- Experience with writing SQL and working with databases.
- Helped with web marketing decisions to increase revenue.

Web Your Business

Web Developer • April 2005 - June 2007

Focusing on business based web sites, I quickly learned how to work with a vast array of php applications, javascript, and css. Using these new skills in conjunction with my design skills, I was able to create elaborate e-commerce and information web sites. I also honed my writing skills with comprehensive content wording and keyword marketing.

Achievements:

- Created powerful e-commerce web sites focused on business.
- Custom programming experience with PHP and other web languages.
- Unique designs, structured for eye appeal and ease of use.
- Able to provide, concise and easy to understand, client training of complex web systems.
- Provided support for my work, on all custom code and web applications.

Marksman Printing

Graphic Designer & Prepress • November 2003 - March 2005

I solved the problems in the prepress department. Created a streamline workflow system between prepress, press, and bindery. Resolved issues with equipment by talking to experts about cost effective materials for their equipment.

Achievements:

- Created page layouts and proofing systems that virtually eliminated errors.
- Improved the quality of Marksman's printing without adding additional cost.

Lithographic Press LLC

Graphic Designer & Prepress • April 2002 - October 2003

Working for Lithographic Press helped me refine my skills in working with printed material. I oversaw the graphic department and was in charge of all digital artwork that came to the shop. I routinely worked with clients over the phone and in person and made numerous contacts in the business.

Achievements:

- Helped Lithographic Press setup computers, software, and direct to plate systems.
- Produced working advertising material for Lithographic Press.

Minuteman Press - Loveland

Graphic Designer & Prepress • May 2001 - November 2002

I worked with another designer to complete the work required for Minuteman Press. In the process, I learned skills I needed to create artwork and have it work on a press.

Achievements:

- Worked with another designer to complete projects.
- Worked in a retail environment selling, copying, sending faxes, and printing.

Seminole Nation Development Authority

Graphic Designer • November 2001 - February 2002

I helped establish the media department for Seminole Nation Development Authority. Duties included creating a web site, brochures, newsletters and much more.

Achievements:

- Created all projects from conception, and saw all projects from start to finish.
- Taught other employees how to use applications.

Education

Mequata Online Marketing Certificate
Front Range Community College • Thompson Valley High School

References Available upon request
