

KAREN LOBIN PERKINS

FRONT END ENGINEER

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SUMMARY ▶

A design focused front end engineer, I bring energy and determination to everything I do. I am a goal-driven self-starter, thriving in fast-paced, team environments and confident working with teams remotely in multiple time zones.

TECHNICAL SKILLS ▶

FRONT END: WAI-ARIA, Sass/SCSS, Gatsby, Styled Components, CSS, EJS Templating, Bootstrap, Materialize, Semantic UI, ReactJS, JavaScript, A11Y, React Spring, React Context, Next.js, GraphQL, REST API, Apollo Client

BACK END: Node.js, Django, Python, ExpressJS, MongoDB, MongooseJS, PostgreSQL, Heroku, Postman, OAuth, ERD/Database Design

OTHER: Git, Adobe Photoshop, Markdown, MS Office with Access, Google Suite, Spanish Speaker, Conflict Resolution, Remote Teams

EDUCATION ▶

General Assembly

Certificate Software Engineering Immersive 2020

Georgia State University

BA Spanish for International Business

EXPERIENCE ▶

The Coop · Front End Engineer

Dec. 2020 to Current

An early stage start up helping career changers accelerate their transition into Engineering and Design fields by providing them real world experience and mentorship, building projects and working in Agile teams.

ReactJS, WAI-ARIA, GraphQL, Node.js, JavaScript, CSS, Styled Components, Lighthouse

- Working with UX designers on the t.ux product, I am building a Styled Component library and a gallery for the design library.
- I implemented WAI-ARIA standards on the product and increased accessibility by 25%.
- I am currently studying GraphQL and Apollo as product moves from MERN stack to GRAND stack.

Jerry Lobin Process Service Inc · Operations Manager/Process Server

Mar. 2005 to May 2020

JLPS was the leader in service of civil process in Metro Atlanta, hand delivering civil suits and garnishments to individuals and companies according to local statute.

MS Office, MS Access, HTML, CSS, FTP Transfer, OS Maintenance

- While managing all day-to-day operations, employees, and subcontractors, I fostered great relationships with clients and courthouse personnel all while increasing volume and revenue three-fold.
- I updated the in-office network, created the company's online presence as well as an employee training system to streamline onboarding procedures of in-office employees and subcontractors.
- I advanced my knowledge of Ga. law pertaining to debt collection and was able to explain these legal concepts to laypersons in a succinct manner.

PROJECTS ▶

Despejado | Clear

A single-page, bilingual, weather app built in ReactJS. Using ReactJS and styled using SCSS preprocessor. Using ReactJS to conditionally render the target language, this app utilizes the OpenWeatherMapAPI and the Sunrise-SunsetAPI.

Meet Your Maker

A full CRUD MERN app for local sale of goods. This team project employs AWS-SDK and Semantic UI. Each component is conditionally rendered to show the correct component display based on user's status as buyer, seller, or not logged in.

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A full CRUD Django/Python app for maintaining Spanish language skills, designed with pure CSS. PostgreSQL is the backend database.

ACTIVITIES ▶

Atlanta Rowing Club · Rowing Instruction and Volunteering

June 2013 to Current

- I volunteer in timing at the second largest regatta in the U.S. working with referees, regatta officials, and third party timing software companies.
- Currently pursuing my Level 1 coaching certificate, I coach new rowers in Learn to Row classes and teach rowing classes at my gym.
- I have competed in Masters competitions including the Canadian Henley and the World's Masters Regatta.