# NICHOLAS PIASKOSKI

# **WEB DEVELOPER**

# **Experience**

# **General Assembly**

Web Developer Trainee

Boston, MA Jun 2017 to Sep 2017

#### Major Accomplishments:

- Built a mock e-commerce site with a team of 3 other developers. We built the back end with Mongodb, Mongoose, and Express.js. We also incorporated the Stripe API for taking credit cards payments on our site.
- Built two web apps that interact with APIs that I created with Ruby on Rails. Used handlebars to return the data from the API and Bootstrap to help with the formatting on the front end.
- Built a web game, using an SPA that interacts with Javascript through jQuery, and that connects with an existing API through AJAX to handle user authentication and log game moves.
- These projects can all be seen on my website: nickpie.com

#### **Verizon Wireless**

**Retail Operations specialist** 

Waynesville, NC Aug 2004 to May 2017

#### Major Accomplishments:

- Created a bar code generator that is readable by inventory scanners to account for a new program where we were purchasing serialized equipment that did not have SKUs. Saved the company \$15M over the course of a year through greater inventory accuracy and decreasing the processing time for that inventory at 1700 retail locations.
- Created a fix to refactor an outdated feature in the Point Of Sale system, which was causing stores to send back no value items to the national warehouse. Saved the company \$17M over the period of three years by eliminating shipping costs and processing times at 1700 retail locations and the national warehouse.
- Earned a Leading performance rating 6 out of 7 years in my role as Operations Specialist. This the highest performance rating and only 3-5% of employees earn this rating.

# **Aquarium Specialists**

Owner

Dallas, TX Jun 1999 to Apr 2003

Operation of all aspects of an aquarium maintenance service that provided consulting, design, installation, service, and sales. Attracted new clients via cold calls and networking within the aquarium professional and hobby communities. Presented proposals to existing and prospective clients. Coordinated with contractors on custom installations. Generated sales by educating clients on biological cycles, marine creatures and filter technology.

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### Skills

HTML5, CSS3, Bootstrap, Javascript, Ruby, Rails, JQuery, JSON, Handlebars, Node.js, Ember.js, Express.js, SQL, postgreSQL, MongoDB, Mongoose, Git/Github, PHP, Webpack

### **Education**

### Auburn University

Master's level course work and research in aquaculture completed

### **University Of** Massachussetts

Bachelor's of Science Biology

### **Awards**

#### Verizon Wireless · **Powerful Answers 2015**

Award for identifying improvements for reverse logistics.

**Verizon Wireless** · Winner's Circle 2005 & 2006

Award for exceeding 110% of sales quota

# Volunteering

#### WWOOF USA · Host

Mar 2007 to Current

This is a volunteer position where I work as mentor and host to aspiring organic farmers through the organization World Wide Opportunities on Organic Farms. Interns live and work on my homestead farm for anywhere from two weeks to six months, learning about organic growing and living more sustainably.