Gregory Waxman

Leader & full stack engineer with over 17 years of professional experience

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WORK EXPERIENCE

Principal Software Engineer | Bison Technologies

Jul 2023 - Current

Remote bisonpayments.com

 $\textbf{Tech:} \ appsync \ | \ aws \ | \ ambda \ | \ dynamodb \ | \ graphq \ | \ node. \\ js \ | \ react \ | \ shadcn/ui \ | \ storybook \ | \ tailwind \ | \ typescript \ | \ valtio \ | \ vite \ | \ vitest \ | \ vitest$

- Mentored the engineering team across multiple areas such as React, TypeScript, and GraphQL
- Led a team of 3 engineers helping to reduce the load for the head of engineering
- Created multiple ADRs for improving and unifying our frontend tech stack
- Improved lambda development by reducing boilerplate, improving security, and adding functionality
- Improved DX for engineers by introducing better tools and improving their configuration
- Led development of our UI library based on shadcn/ui
- Dramatically improved CI, ~50% speed up and ~50% cost reduction
- Built, altered, and maintained GitHub Actions

Staff Software Engineer | Intellimize

Feb 2022 - Jul 2023

Remote intellimize.com

Tech: aws | eslint | express.js | javascript | mongodb | node.js | react | typescript | valtio | vite | vitest

- Revamped the entire frontend, resulting in a 75% reduction in load time and significant productivity enhancements
- Upgraded all tooling replacing previous unmaintained and outdated tooling
- Led and guided the development of Rules Based Personalization
- Created and built fully functioning CI/CD pipelines to streamline development and deployment processes
- Successfully learned, built, and maintained Cloudfront usage for frontend and API
- Provided team leadership by offering guidance on solutions, mentoring team members, & inspiring others
- Developed a Shopify app integration leading to two customer sales within the first two months

Senior Software Engineer | Bubbles

Apr 2021 - Feb 2022

Tech: aws | javascript | node.js | react | redux | serverless | typescript

First of three engineering hires

- Reduced CI test time by more than 60%, leading to faster development and testing cycles
- Enhanced monorepo webpack integration and implemented fast refresh for improved development experience
- Simplified environment setup by automating AWS environment output usage
- Improved component structure, variation, and implementations for better code organization and reusability
- Led development on image, video, and face recording functionality over the span of six months
- Conducted code reviews, ideation for technical improvements, and interviews
- Managed very large code merges and conflicts across features
- Provided leadership guidance and feedback, ranging from culture to roadmap

Remote H triumphpay.com

Tech: elm | postgres | rails | react | ruby

- Reduced Pusher usage leading to over a 50% cost reduction, 80% reduction in scripting time, 66% to 93% reduction in total messages sent, and 98% reduction in React renders
- Decreased total delivered JavaScript size by 50% for improved website performance
- Successfully migrated IDs from audit tables from int to bigint with no downtime, ensuring uninterrupted operations
- Updated project tooling from Webpack v1 to Webpack v5, alongside multiple Docker enhancements

Senior Software Engineer | Gush

May 2018 - Apr 2019

Remote Inkedin.com/company/heygush/

Tech: python | react | redux | trio

First engineering hire

- Led all frontend development
- Rapidly learnt basic Python including leveraging Trio to combine data from Google, Yelp, & Foursquare
- Created a basic agile-like process to centralize and organize development

Senior Software Engineer | Virtru

Jun 2015 - Apr 2018

Remote virtru.com

Tech: backbone | browser extensions | express | jwt | node.js | spirit | webpack

- Led development of Google Vault Extension and Google Drive file proxy service acting as a model for future projects
- Refactored and helped develop VJWT, a JWT spec with enhanced security features
- Integrated in a FIPS compliant crypto library to meet the security needs of customers
- Managed and mentored team members and contractors as a tech lead
- Rewrote and extended key parts of the DLP rules engine, key to Virtru's success, and enhanced handling of complex violations
- Developed voltron to allow for building a single extension from multiple independent repos
- Created new OU functionality that included new db schema, associated documentation for schema changes, API updates, frontend architecture improvements, CSS and associated templates
- Improved our Secure Reader loading performance, reduced bugs, and added a whitelabeling solution
- Ran our knowledge sharing sessions
- Led second round technical interviews
- Contributed to several open source projects eslint, webpack, spirit-js, and more

UI/Software Engineer | SPARC (acquired by Booz Allen Hamilton)

Jun 2012 - Jan 2015

Charleston, SC SARC linkedin.com/company/sparc-llc

Tech: angularjs | asp.net-web-api2 | bootstrap | c# | ejs | express | git | github | gulp | jade | javascript | jquery | less | mongodb | mongoose | mysql | node.js | react | servicestack

Worked on in house products and outsourced products

- Led the second phase of new feature development for OpsAssure, a scheduling and task management app
- Handled all video player development and on Stre.am, which led to contributions to video.js
- Architected, implemented, launched, and maintained a product for Core Care Medical
- Contributed to new architecture decisions, refactored crucial code, and ported MySQL to MongoDB on 520
- Mentored and taught a QA JavaScript and automation

- Rapidly learnt and contributed to 520 ensuring a successful release to the VA, while providing mentoring and support to others
- Filled the role of domain expert for Stre.am

Interface Engineer II | PeopleMatter (acquired by Snagajob)

Sep 2010 - Jun 2012

Charleston, SC linkedin.com/company/peoplematter

Tech: asp.net|c#|css|css-sprites|css3|html5|javascript|jquery|less|squishit|tfs

- One of two interface engineers responsible for frontend development
- Implemented SquishIt, an open source JavaScript & CSS minifier, and created a higher level abstraction to streamline internal use
- Learnt, introduced, and used LESS through Chirpy to improve readability and maintainability of CSS
- Refactored and fixed several open source projects used internally, including SquishIt
- Actively developed cross-browser compatible styling in IE7 through IE9, Safari, Firefox, and Chrome
- Architected css architecture and hierarchy alongside general JavaScript practices for the frontend

Software Engineer II | Blackbaud

Jun 2007 - Sep 2010

Charleston, SC blackbaud.com

Tech: asp.net|css|javascript|jquery|sql|tfs|vb.net|visual-studio

First batch of engineering hires from RIT leading to additional RIT new grad hires

- Acted as a JavaScript mentor, reviewing code as it was checked in and advocating best practices
- Took over as lead developer and improved our e-commerce product in multiple areas
- Created an extensible shopping cart framework, used across teams & products, as the basis for all payment processing
- Exclusively handled production issues, such as data corruption, experienced by clients for five months
- Developed and implemented brand new functionality with server-side code, client-side code, and SQL
- Introduced jQuery, leading to cleaner, more compatible code for the product
- Led the Web Accessibility Initiative to support the needs of our clients
- Learnt and used VB.Net and ASP.Net successfully without any previous experience with either

SKILLS

Programming Languages

Frontend Engineering

Styling

C#|Elixir|Elm|JavaScript|Python|Ruby| TypeScript | VB.NET

Browser extensions | jQuery | React | redux | Solidis | valtio

CSS | less | SASS | styled-components | Tailwind/Uno CSS

Backend Engineering

Tools

Git & CI/CD

AppSync|ASP.NET MVC|GraphQL|JWT| MongoDB | Node.js | REST APIs | SQL Server

esbuild | ESLint | Jest | Prettier | vite | vitest | Webpack

Bitbucket | Bitbucket Pipelines | Buildkite | CircleCI | GitHub | GitHub Actions

AWS

Cloudflare

Cloudfront | Lambda | S3 | Secrets Manager |

D1 | Pages | Workers

Serverless Framework | SST

EDUCATION

2003 - 2007

BS Information Technology New Media | Rochester Institute of Technology