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#### PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

CENTIER BANK

Security Analyst

June 2024 - Present

- Review and respond to alerts generated from our SIEM, Microsoft Defender, email gateway, and employee Jira tickets.
- Engage in incident response activities for confirmed true positive alerts, collaborating to identify and resolve security threats.
- Collaborate with external partners, including penetration testers, auditors, and vendors, to strengthen security measures, ensure compliance, and improve overall risk management.
- Administer and manage SentinelOne (EDR) and NinjaOne (Device Management) platforms.

CROWE LLP Chicago, IL

# Digital Security Consultant (Financial Services)

August 2023 - May 2024

- Assessed security policies, procedures, and controls of financial institutions to ensure compliance with applicable laws and regulations.
- Documented findings from security assessments, determining areas of improvement and providing recommendations to enhance organizational security posture.
- Conducted Open-source Intelligence (OSINT) investigations for a major payment processor to verify client organization legitimacy and identify potential money laundering or terrorist financing activities.

#### **EDUCATION**

PURDUE UNIVERSITY West Lafayette, IN

Bachelor of Science, Major in Computer & Information Technology; Minor in Economics

2019 - 2023

- President, Cyber Forensics Club (2022 2023)
- Co-founder & Member, Ethical Hackers of Purdue (2023)

## **CERTIFICATIONS**

<ul> <li>CompTIA Cybersecurity Analyst+ (CySA+)</li> </ul>	November 2024
• CompTIA Security+	November 2023
• Azure Fundamentals (AZ-900)	January 2024
<ul> <li>Azure Security, Compliance, and Identity Fundamentals (SC-900)</li> </ul>	January 2024
Azure AI Fundamentals (AI-900)	February 2024

## **PROJECTS**

# WHOLE NETWORK FIREWALL, VPN, AND DNS

- Utilized 4-port Protectli Vault with pfSense for firewall and routing.
  - o Configured to use Proton VPN with a kill switch to ensure the network always uses the VPN.
  - Added a VPN bypass on a single port to access applications that block VPN connections.
- Employed a Raspberry Pi 5 with Pi-hole and Unbound installed for DNS.
  - Implemented pre-made and custom blocklists to prevent connections to invasive or malicious domains.