

# Michael Joo

## Front-End Developer

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### CAREER OBJECTIVE

Seasoned Front-End Developer with 7+ years of professional experience with meaningful contribution to development teams ranging from start-ups to large corporations. I enjoy working with team members and collaborating with them to ensure workloads are effectively managed while picking up slack when necessary. Learning from those with more knowledge and experience, regardless of seniority, is an exceptional perk in this field that I enjoy, and I also have experience and appreciate mentoring junior developers as well. I am ready to apply my passion for coding to a talented engineering team to develop quality solutions.

### TECHNICAL SKILLSETS

Javascript, Typescript, React, Next.js, Node.js, Express, Redux | Redux Toolkit, Effector, HTML5, CSS3, MUI, Bootstrap, Tailwind CSS, Styled Components, Cypress, Jest, GitLab, Docker, Agile Methodology

### WORK EXPERIENCE

**SparkCognition Government Systems (SGS)**  
*Software Engineer III*

**Austin, TX (remote)**  
Mar 2023 - Present

Front-end engineer for a remote start-up that provides AI-powered software products and solutions for government and military defense. Currently part of the DMA (Digital Maintenance Advisor) team, a readiness solutions application used to track, provide and anticipate mission-critical data to maintainers and operators in our Armed Forces.

- Created and maintained modules within the DMA application using Typescript and React on the NextJS framework using UX designs from Figma
- Managed application state using Effector and React Hooks
- Participated in generating and maintaining e2e tests utilizing Cypress
- Created custom themes and styling using Material-UI
- Added further customization using Payload CMS to handle user access and role permissions
- Assisted in incorporating Search UI through ElasticSearch and React Search UI components
- Participated in updating NextJS framework version from 12 to 13
- Assisted in environment updates using Argo CD
- Participated in daily MR reviews
- Participated in 2 week sprints (Agile approach) to include sprint reviews, retrospectives, planning and daily standups

Tech stack: Typescript, React, Next.js, Effector, Cypress, Docker, MUI, Payload CMS, ElasticSearch Search UI, Gitlab, Agile methodology

### **Personal Career Break**

*Sep 2020 – Feb 2023*

I took time-off and a break from my career due to the pandemic and for personal reasons. I also took advantage of this time to keep up to date with current technologies.

### **Brighter Inc.**

**(Currently Cigna Digital after acquisition by Cigna Healthcare in 2018)**

**Santa Monica, CA**

*Senior UI Developer*

*Sep 2013 – Jul 2020*

- Initially brought on as the only front-end developer in a start-up team of 7 members to help build and maintain the company's websites through multiple versions and updates.
- Worked closely with the UI designer to ensure all pages were built per spec and collaborated on responsive design and layout.
- Used up-to-date technologies to ensure all pages were responsive on all tablet and mobile devices.
- After the company's acquisition by Cigna Healthcare, I lead the transformation of our sites to ensure all pages were W3C compliant (semantic labeling, color contrast, keyboard navigation, screen reader) and assisted in its documentation using Confluence.
- Participated in unit testing using Jest and manual testing using emulators and physical devices to validate site responsiveness.
- Mentored incoming junior front-end developers on current company coding standards and assisted in code review for pull requests.
- Participated in bi-weekly to daily Scrum meetings using Agile methodology with 2-to-3-week long sprints.

### **Square One Solutions Inc.**

**Santa Monica, CA**

*UI Developer*

*Jun 2012 – Sep 2013*

- Collaborated in a team of 6 developers for a start-up with established clients such as DirectTV, Union Bank, Green Dot Financial and Agile Health.
- Assisted in building fully responsive pixel-perfect webpages based on PSD mocks.
- Ensured certain sites followed W3C Compliance standards to include keyboard navigation, screen reader, and color contrast issues.
- Assisted the designer on image and graphic production utilizing Photoshop.

### **Internet Brands Inc.**

**El Segundo, CA**

*Senior Tech Recruiter*

*Feb 2010 – Jun 2012*

- Involved in full-cycle technical recruitment for all IT and web development needs for the headquarters office as well as off-site subsidiary locations. Responsible for filling tech requirements in company-owned brand sites to include CarsDirect, ApartmentRatings and WebMD to name a few.

- Sourced candidates, guiding the applicant from initial phone screen to onsite interviews, providing feedback to responsive hiring managers and VP | C-level executives and presented offers to potential employees.
- Mentored incoming recruiters for quicker wrap up time in tech recruitment.

**Interests:** Working out, keeping up and learning new front-end technologies, rooting for the LA Chargers and the occasional Minecraft session with friends.