Thato Anderson

FULL STACK ENGINEER

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Professional Summary

Full Stack Engineer with combined experience in business operations management, inventory, financial and revenue analysis. Skilled at building secure, data-driven applications using Node.js, Express, MongoDB, and React. Known for translating design and data into intuitive user experiences, collaborating across disciplines, and delivering full-stack solutions from ideation to deployment. Adept at working with APIs, integrating authentication, and writing clean, testable code. Brings leadership, client-facing communication, and process management experience from prior management roles. Excels in collaborative environments and eager to contribute to engineering teams that value growth, clarity, and technical excellence.

Technical Skills

- **Languages :** JavaScript, HTML, CSS
- **Frameworks & Libraries :** Node.js, Express, React, TypeScript, Next.js, Keystone
- **Databases :** MongoDB, PostgreSQL
- **Testing :** Jest, Postman
- **Tools :** Docker, Google Cloud, Git, GitHub, Vite, Webpack, Chrome Developer Tools, VS Code, Figma, Bash, Jira
- **Concepts :** REST APIs, Authentication, CRUD, MVC, Responsive Design, State Management, Agile
- **Currently learning :** AWS, AI, Python

Professional Experience

Software Engineer

Freelance | 2024 - Present

Deliver full-stack web solutions, collaborate with cross-functional teams including data scientists and designers. Focus on backend architecture, API integration, and clean UI/UX execution using modern technologies

- Designed and developed responsive, interactive interfaces with React, HTML, and CSS, translating Figma designs into pixel-perfect UIs and implementing forms, modals, animations, and conditional rendering.
- Built and consumed RESTful APIs with Node.js and Express, integrating third-party APIs and internal logic for dynamic content, with testing/debugging through Postman.
- Implemented secure authentication and authorization, including encrypted password storage, token-based access, and role-based permissions for protected routes.
- Delivered full CRUD functionality and personalized user dashboards that displayed saved items, search history, avatars, and data-driven visualizations from JSON/third-party sources
- Collaborated in agile, GitHub-based workflows, contributing to sprints, resolving merge conflicts, refactoring code for optimization, and delivering scalable, maintainable full-stack solutions.

Personal Assistant

Private family | 2020 - 2025

- Acted as a personal assistant and trusted organizer, managing multiple priorities and maintaining clear communication.
- Oversaw complex family schedules, managed children's activities, and support daily logistics with an emphasis on time and task management.
- Handled grocery planning, errands, and calendar coordination.

Assistant spa manager

Holland America Line | 2015 - 2020

Led operational management of spa services on cruise ships, with oversight of staff, booking systems, and guest experience.

- Supervised daily spa operations, including scheduling staff, managing inventory, and resolving service issues efficiently.
- Recommended and retailed products to clients.
- Trained new employees on software tools, retail, protocols, and customer engagement, developing strong mentorship and process documentation skills.
- Created and maintained spreadsheets to track sales targets, analyze inventory, and performance metrics.
- Designed marketing materials, promotions, and service flows.

Spa Receptionist

Sorbet | 2014 - 2015

- Handled bookings, managed inventory, and ensured smooth day-to-day front desk operations.
- Answered all inbound calls and processed payment and refunds.

Academic History

Tripleten | 2024-2025

Software Engineering Certificate

International Academy of Health and Skincare | 2012-2014

Diploma in Health and Skincare

Awards and Certification

Top Manager | 2016

Holland America Line

Top Spa Therapist | 2014

International Academy of Health and Skincare