

# <Branden Youngs/>

## Experience

### Director/Lead Developer

Branden Builds | Remote - (2015 - Present)

- Contract work with digital agencies, marketing agencies, and larger enterprise corporations to provide solutions to technical challenges their clients or internal teams may have.
- Consulting work, specifically with digital agencies looking to build and structure their web development team.
- Providing training and webinars to agencies and technology groups on newer technologies like headless CMS solutions, emerging modern JS frameworks, and setting up developer operations for continuous deployments.

### Lead Developer

Mockingbird | Remote - (Dec 2017 - Apr 2021)

- Leading the team on processes, decisions, and building custom web projects in mostly WordPress for legal and political clients. Each product was built using the latest technology, ADA compliant, and optimized for site speed.
- I built an entire Branding + Strategy product/service including pricing, training of sales + delivery, and internal process documents. This product added a few new income streams yearly for clients struggling with their brand and market positioning.
- I stepped into a leadership and director role where I managed a small group of developers, designers, and account managers. We revamped the internal process for technical SEO roadmaps and processes, reconstructed the pricing and internal process for web development projects, and more than doubled our income stream from web projects.

### Lead Developer

Technicolor Grayscale Inc | Denver/Remote - (Sep 2015 - Aug 2017)

- Leading the technical design on web projects that focused heavily on data visitation and animation.
- Interfaced with clients on a weekly basis, providing technological expertise and knowledge.
- Assisted in user research and branding for large scale projects that included interpreting analytics, creating user journeys, and assisting with wireframes.

### Frontend Developer

Red Chalk Studios | Virginia Beach,VA - (Apr 2014 - Apr 2015)

- Solo developer leading all development and internal processes that build custom made WordPress sites for small to medium size businesses.

### Tech Support - Developer

Inmotion Hosting | Virginia Beach - (Sep 2015 - Aug 2017)

- Started as a technical support person assisting customers with Linux server and website questions.
- Moved over to internal development team for clients and internal tools.This included creating solutions for static, WordPress, and eCommerce sites. Maintenance on previous websites.
- Created support documents and videos for InMotion Support Forums.

## Skills

### Languages

JavaScript, Typescript, CSS/SCSS, GraphQL, Node.js, PHP, Linux, HTML

### Libraries & Frameworks

React, Svelte, Gatsby, Next, Express, MongoDB, jQuery, Twig, Timber, Blade, Tailwind

### Tools & Platforms

Docker, Git, Webpack, Parcel, Craft, Contentful, WordPress, Strapi, Adobe Design Suite, WP-CLI.

## Education

### ECPI University

2008-2011

Bachelor's Degree in Computer Information Systems

## References

### Aisha Natividad

Previous junior developer under my lead.

### Jeremiah Bratton

Lead developer for a company I contract with.

### Ryan Sprouse

Previous colleague and lead designer I paired with to build websites.