



Bryan Steele

Network & Systems Engineer | U.S. Army Veteran | **Team Lead**

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◆ PROFESSIONAL SUMMARY

Hands-on **Network & Systems Engineer** with over a decade of experience in enterprise and service provider infrastructure, field engineering, and network operations. Skilled in **routing protocols, network monitoring, structured cabling, and service provider architecture**. Proven ability to **deploy, maintain, and troubleshoot** critical systems under pressure. Eager to solve technical problems and contribute to resilient, scalable networks.

◆ CORE TECHNICAL COMPETENCIES

Routing & Switching: BGP, OSPF, MPLS, RSVP-TE, DNS/DHCP, TCP/IP

Platforms: Cisco IOS/IOS-XE, Juniper, ALU/Nokia, Tellabs

Network Tools: SolarWinds, SNMPc, Route Explorer, Splunk, Kibana, Elasticsearch, ping, trace route, nmap, nslookup, SSH, SFTP, grep, arp

Systems: Linux, RHEL, Ubuntu, IBM Power, Cisco UCS, Dell PowerEdge

Programming & Automation: Python, JavaScript, HTML, CSS, Shell Scripting, Ansible

Structured Cabling: Copper/Fiber, Splicing, MDF/IDF, Rack/Stack, Patch Panels

◆ Technical Highlights & Achievements

- Provided hands-on support and troubleshooting for **IP/MPLS backbone infrastructure** across **Cisco, Juniper, Nokia, and Tellabs** platforms.
- Led **high-severity incident bridges**, resolving trunk/NNI failures, latency, hardware alarms, and complex configuration issues.
- Utilized advanced tools such as **Splunk, Kibana, Elasticsearch, SNMPc, Route Explorer, SSH, and CLI utilities** to proactively monitor and restore network services.

- Deployed and maintained **Microwave Line-of-Sight (MLoS)** systems in Afghanistan, enabling **secure remote surveillance** and tactical communications.
- Conducted comprehensive **network site surveys and modernization planning** for Army Reserve facilities across the U.S. and U.S. Territories.
- Installed and configured **enterprise-grade routers, switches, wireless APs, and Cisco UCS systems** for business and government clients.
- Designed and deployed **structured cabling solutions** (copper/fiber) and built **MDF/IDF environments** to meet mission-critical connectivity needs.
- Trained and mentored personnel on **safety protocols, network operations, and tactical WAN configurations**, supporting seamless field operations and readiness.

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Verizon – *Network Operations Engineer, Team Lead*
Cary, NC | June 2021 – Present

Acuative – *Network Field Engineer*
Fayetteville, NC | Nov 2014 – May 2021

Ampcus, Inc – *IT Infrastructure Engineer (Contract)*
Fort Bragg, NC | Mar 2014 – Nov 2014

Netorian, LLC – *Network/Systems Field Engineer*
Afghanistan | Mar 2011 – Jul 2013

U.S. Army – *Network Support & Structured Cabling*
Fort Bragg, NC | Jan 2003 - Mar 2011

CERTIFICATIONS & TRAINING

- **Google Cybersecurity** Professional Certificate (*In Progress*)
- **Linux & Private Cloud Admin on IBM Power** (*In Progress*)
- **CCNA, CCTDC, CCTR&S** (*Valid Until 2027*)