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EXPERIENCE

2025-Present **UTAHDEVCO.COM**   **DISTRIBUTED**
Co-Founder
- Developing LLM-driven coding loops for maximum productivity across projects
- Building front end apps for buildwithfoundation.com
- Designing apps with various technologies including Postgres, SQLite, Firebase, Next.js and Golang
- Built TherapyAnimalHub.com and sold for $180k within 6 months
- Rebuilt and relaunched TherapyAnimalHub.com with new owner within 3 months
- Created a desktop application for Google Photos library recovery using Golang, Wails, and React
- Acting as a fractional startup CTO for local Utah businesses

2024-2025 **HONA.COM**   **OREM, UT**
Staff Software Engineer
- Led cross-team technical initiatives to improve code quality and team performance
- Maintained legacy back-end systems
- Rebuilt aging front-end infrastructure to maintain backward compatibility while overhauling the UX

2023-2024 **HIGHLIGHT.IO**   **DISTRIBUTED**
SDK Engineer and Developer Relations
- Crafted client-facing TypeScript SDKs
- Produced tutorials videos, podcast episodes and YouTube shorts
- Wrote documentation and interfaced with clients around bug fixes
- Designed marketing material in Figma

2021-2023 **BOOMPOP.COM**   **DISTRIBUTED**
Full-Stack Engineering Lead
- First externally recruited engineering hire, specializing in TypeScript
- Built a team of 5 front-end engineers
- Drove features for our Series A fundraise while re-architecting a floundering Next.js/React codebase
- Built data pipelines with AWS CloudFormation, Lambdas and Node.js
- Managed CI/CD using AWS managed services and GitHub Actions
- Focused on architecture, analytics, SEO, code maintainability/quality and feature development

2019-2020 **ADOBE WORKFRONT**   **LEHI, UT / REMOTE**
Senior Software Engineer
- Led development on a large React application utilizing the latest React APIs
- Wrote maintainable JavaScript with excellent unit test coverage
- Delivered pixel-perfect UX within a Scrum environment

2017-2019   **PLURALSIGHT**   **SOUTH JORDAN, UT**
  Senior Software Engineer
  - Developed Node.js/React/GraphQL applications for the Pluralsight.com customer experience
  - Maintained the legacy Pluralsight video player while developing its replacement

2011-2017   **CALLIGRAPHY.ORG**   **DRAPER, UT**
  Technical Cofounder
  - Integrated with a fulfillment warehouse to manage all inventory and daily, worldwide fulfillment
  - Built Calligraphy.org as a family business to over $250k/year revenue from 2013 to 2015
  - Managed business operations, including all product sourcing, accounting and customer service
  - Designed Quiver CMS as an open-source project to drive Calligraphy.org

VOLUNTEER
2014-2025   **GOOGLE DEVELOPER EXPERTS**   **NORTH AMERICA**
  Expert: Firebase and Web Technologies
  - Presented at Google's Firebase conferences in Bangalore and Chennai, India
  - Lectured on Firebase fundamentals at the DevMountain coding school
  - Published tutorials on HowToFirebase.com and YouTube
  - Taught at FullStackFirebase.com and on Udemy

EDUCATION
2001-2007   **BRIGHAM YOUNG UNIVERSITY**   **PROVO, UT**
  B.S. in Economics and B.S. in Business Management: Finance
  - Graduated Magna Cum Laude
  - Full-tuition academic scholarship