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SUMMARY

Energising project and technology teams to engineering and drive new technical elements as a Solution Architect, responsible for creating detailed technical designs and roadmaps that address automation, virtualisation, cloud and decommissioning requirements. Working heavily with AWS, Azure, VMWare and Citrix solutions to create innovative solutions to client and business needs. Adept at building solution frameworks that facilitate business change, focusing on improvements in enterprise infrastructure, business continuity, disaster recovery, networking, applications and technology performance. A high-level technical expert that architects solutions in line with client enterprise need with the leadership ability to lead complex projects from technology reviews and proposals to final solutions, satisfaction and sign-off.

SKILLS SNAPSHOT

∙ Solution Architecture ∙ AWS & Azure Cloud ∙ Network Infrastructure ∙ Technical Analysis

∙ Project Management ∙ Decommissioning ∙ Technology Roadmaps ∙ CI Strategies

∙ Client Management ∙ Data Migrations ∙ Systems Audits ∙ Hosting & Networks

∙ Team Management ∙ Enterprise Solutions ∙ Root-Cause Analysis ∙ Solution Maps

EXPERIENCE

**Solution Architect**

**SCC, Birmingham**  / **Jan 2019 – Present**

A hands-on Solutions Architect challenged to build solution frameworks within SCC to facilitate client projects ranging from Cloud migrations through to decommissioning of legacy systems. Working to provide solutions to simplify processes, automate tasks and deliver cost and time savings in business. Furthermore, working on new AWS and Azure solutions to progress the technology roadmap of the SCC.

* Solution Architect to the project roadmap to replace and decommission legacy systems including EOL Windows Server 2008, unlocking finances for cloud investment and enterprise solutions.
* Engineering solutions with the Governance Team to improve pre-sales and customer onboarding.
* Capturing complex system and legacy requirements to analyse as-is and architect to-be processes in readiness for the Azure & AWS migration and transition to SCC’s Cloud+ offering.
* Project managing the set-up of the Training Lab for Azure DevOps teams.
* Introducing new two-factor authentication to existing systems including YubiKey.
* Creating legally-binding Statements of Work for clients for new project start-up and delivery.

**IT Consultant**

**PwC, Birmingham & London**  / **March 2015 – Dec 2018**

Consulting on technical and corporate solutions, focusing on building solutions that streamline enterprise infrastructure, addressing continuous improvement priorities and the decommissioning of legacy software and hardware. As an IT Consultant behind major projects within the heart of PwC technical services.

* Architected a new selling-point application that won PwC Innovation of the Year 2016.
* Energised Offshore Engineering Teams to decommission legacy systems, automate repetitive tasks and deliver an estimated £250k annual contracted cost saving.
* Slashed the error log and ticket queue by over 50% by enforcing SOPs with Service Now.
* Architected solutions for virtualisation that increased reliability to a 99.9% uptime using VMware.
* Re-architected and deployed applications in readiness for Cloud to reduce existing data centre footprint.
* Authored new quality standards to guide Engineers, Solution Architects & Analysts through projects.
* Created and maintained PwC’s Data Analytics Platform on VMware, Windows Server Virtual Machines and Hybrid Cloud Azure within a multi-million solution architecture.

**Server Engineer & Design**

**Monitise Plc, London** / **June 2011 – March 2015**

Building solution plans for critical path milestones within the virtualisation and operational division, following ITIL where applicable and lean principles. Responsible for corporate architecture on Cloud, Microsoft and VMware.

* Designed and implemented Active Directory Federation Services for Office 365, Fairsail HR System and associated web services that required secure web authentication enhancements.
* Engineered the Network Policy and Access Services solution to lock-down network security following a banking partnership with IBM.
* Provided a full technical report for an existing virtualisation platform.
* Executed an inter-forest Active Directory restructure for Clairmail merger and Pozitron acquisition.
* Integrated Grapple, Markco Media, Agit and Fast 50 companies into Monitise and created solutions for business needs, including leading implementations and transition of services.
* Maintained a corporate environment with over 40 VMware hosts and over 400 virtual machines.

**Senior IT Engineer**

**Wavex, London**  / **Oct 2010 – May 2011**

* Contracted to lead field-based engineering teams through server and network services.
* Accountable for troubleshooting and sustaining operational functionality and performance.
* Engineered network solutions for mid-size companies for various remits and performance criteria.

**Network Engineer**

**Skive Creative & Soup Digital, London**  / **July 2010 – Oct 2010**

* Contracted to devise a greenfield IT solution for a new office following the merger of two digital agencies.
* Created the technology, network and infrastructure roadmap to foundation IT services for future growth.
* Successfully installed and configured all network equipment in line with budget and schedule.
* Configured Active Directory, DNS, DHCP, WDS, File & Print services using Windows Server 2008 R2.

**Network & Installation Engineer**

**Lifestyle IT, London**  / **Sept 2005 – July 2010**

* Successfully networked and installed infrastructure as a part of the British Library Wi-Fi Project that facilitated 1000 concurrent users access to Wi-Fi Services.
* Worked with Cisco routers, switches and associated hardware and a customised frontend.
* Gained a robust technical grounding and the ability to engineer solutions at pace.

QUALIFICATIONS & CERTIFICATIONS

Azure Solutions Architecture Studying

AWS Solutions Architecture Studying

TOGAF Enterprise Architecture Part 1 2019 – Current

VMware Certified Professional - Data Centre Virtualization (VSphere 6) 2017 – 2019

VMware Certified Professional - Data CentreVirtualization (VSphere 5.5) 2016 – 2018

VMware Certified Associate - Data Centre Virtualization 2013 – 2015

ITIL Foundation certificate in IT Service Management 2012 – 2012

Cisco Certified Network Associate (CCNA) 2009 – 2011

Microsoft Certified Professional (MCP) 2008 – 2010

Microsoft Certified IT Professional 2007 – 2090

BSc (Hons) Computer Science, University of Westminster 2002 – 2005

A levels in Maths, Computing and Business Studies, Leyton Sixth Form College 2000 – 2002

10 GCSEs grades A to C including Maths and English, Willowfield Secondary 1995 – 2000