

# Griffin Rodgers

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## Professional Summary

Platform & DevOps Engineer with 7+ years of IT experience and 3+ years of specialized Infrastructure-as-Code (IaC) mastery in hybrid cloud environments (AWS & Azure). Currently serving as a designated Technical Approver for enterprise-wide Terraform pipelines, acting as 1 of only 4 individual contributors authorized to gate production Azure infrastructure for a 2,000-employee organization. Proven track record of architecting secure CI/CD standards, implementing high-ROI FinOps observability, and modernizing legacy systems.

## Technical Skills

- **Infrastructure as Code:** Terraform, AWS CloudFormation, Docker, Kubernetes (EKS), Helm
- **Cloud Platforms:** AWS (MWAA, EKS, EC2, SSM), **Azure** (AVD, DevOps, Entra ID), Hybrid Cloud Networking
- **CI/CD & Observability:** Azure DevOps Pipelines, GitHub Actions, Datadog, JFrog Artifactory
- **Languages:** Python, PowerShell, Bash, HCL, SQL, C#, Java, C, C++

## Experience

### PLATFORM ENGINEER | BERKADIA COMMERCIAL MORTGAGE | JAN. 2025 – CURRENT

- **Enterprise Governance:** Appointed as an **Infrastructure Technical Approver** for AWS and Azure Terraform repositories. Serve as **1 of 4 non-management engineers** authorized to validate production Azure changes, enforcing security compliance and architectural standards for a 2,000-person organization.
- **Security Architecture:** Architected a secure artifact migration strategy, intercepting a critical vulnerability where auth tokens were exposed in Docker layers. Re-engineered global pipeline templates to utilize **BuildKit secret mounts**, standardizing secure build processes for all engineering value streams.
- **FinOps & Observability:** Engineered end-to-end Datadog observability for AWS MWAA (Airflow), delivering **job-level cost analysis** for EMR Spark clusters. Automated right-sizing recommendations that identified significant monthly cloud spend reductions.
- **IaC Standardization:** Developed and governed centralized Terraform modules to standardize resource provisioning across the enterprise, reducing code duplication and enforcing secure configurations.
- **DevEx & Automation:** Optimized the "Inner Loop" for developers by implementing Azure DevOps pipelines and AWS SSM automations, achieving a **50% reduction in deployment times** and shortening release cycles by 3 days.

### SYSTEMS ENGINEER, DESKTOP | BERKADIA COMMERCIAL MORTGAGE | JUL. 2021 – JAN. 2025

- **Cloud Virtualization (AVD):** Selected to drive EUC cloud modernization due to Azure/IaC proficiency. **Co-engineered and deployed** Azure Virtual Desktop (AVD) infrastructure using Terraform, migrating from legacy RDS to a **version controlled Terraform architecture**. Reduced server footprint by 70% and login times by 90%.
- **Device Management Architecture:** Re-architected Jamf Cloud and Microsoft Intune management systems for 1,100+ endpoints. Implemented a zero-touch deployment workflow that reduced provisioning time by **20 minutes per device**.
- **Operational Excellence:** Authored 30+ pages of technical documentation to standardize support processes, resulting in a **30% reduction in Service Desk escalations**.

### HELPDESK ENGINEER | BERKADIA COMMERCIAL MORTGAGE | JUN. 2019 – JUL. 2021

- Automated account creations and terminations using PowerShell, reducing manual processing time by over 50%.

## Education & Certifications

- Bachelor of Science | Computer Engineering | University of Utah
- **Certs:** AWS AI Practitioner (2025) | AWS Cloud Practitioner (2023)