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"Platforms are about creating ecosystems and encouraging others to build on top of them." — Tim O'Reilly

Summary

Forward-thinking Platform Engineer skilled at creating scalable, self-service systems that empower dev teams to experiment and innovate while maintaining security and compliance. With a focus on automated infrastructure, cost governance, consistent developer experiences, and shift-left security practices, I transform complex environments into hardened, highly automated, self-service platforms reducing manual effort.

Experience

Enacted Services Akron, OH

FOUNDER & CONSULTANT

Jul. 2024 — Present

- Bootstrapped a hardened, self-hosting Linux distro (Gentoo/systemd-based) anchored in cryptographic boot measurements, transparent multi-factor encryption, and immutability, balancing the mitigation of Advanced Persistent Threats (APTs) with developer ease-of-use.
- Developed scripts and documentation to deploy YubiKeys across developer workflows (FIDO2, PIV, OpenPGP), securing day-to-day cryptographic operations (STRIDE threat model), improving developer identity assurance and reducing toil.
- Evaluated agentic AI, vector database, GPU virtualization (MLOps), and BaaS solutions (e.g., LangChain, Weaviate, Firebase) for a client's early product ideation, orchestrating PoCs that clarified technology choices within a broader architectural strategy focused on security, reliability, performance, and future scalability.
- Engineered a turnkey internal development platform (IDP) using AWS Amplify, CloudWatch/X-Ray, Terraform, and GitHub Actions (GitOps), bootstrapping observability and instituting core security principles (least privilege, secure-by-default, etc.) in the infrastructure with a shift-left AppSec approach (SAST, DAST, CSPM), effectively limiting technical debt and risk from project inception.

Ezurio, Inc. (Formerly Laird Connectivity, Inc.)

Akron, OH

DEVOPS ENGINEER III (ENGINEERING — LEAD)

Jan. 2023 - Jul. 2024

- Oversaw and collaborated with a transformation partner to assess DevOps maturity and map value streams across the engineering organization, delivering a roadmap that launched a company-wide DevOps Modernization initiative and Agile transformation.
- Architected and implemented an Internal Development Platform (IDP) with Spacelift, Ansible, Terraform, Docker, Devcontainers, Packer, and
 GitHub Actions, incorporating shift-left security features (SCA, CSPM, SAST, DAST, policy-as-code), GitOps release management, and real-time cost
 monitoring while ensuring SLSA level 3 artifact provenance for end-to-end software supply chain integrity.
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- Migrated all on-prem DevOps systems, data, and pipelines to AWS through leveraging the IDP, retiring risky on-prem infrastructure, saving \$21,000/year in infrastructure costs, reducing DevOps workload by 50%, and enhancing system resilience; effectively reducing high-severity, reactive issue resolution in favor of a more deliberate, error-budget-aware approach.
- Facilitated agile coaching across engineering and PMO, fostering an iterative Plan-Do-Check-Act (PDCA) approach, cultivating an Agile Community of Practice, and aligning enterprise teams around new tools and processes to ensure scaling of DevOps principles and responsiveness to evolving team needs throughout the transformation.
- Onboarded and mentored a new DevOps Engineer to gain deep knowledge of our diverse ecosystem and become the primary DevOps SME for the organization, ensuring continuity of expertise within 18 months.

Laird Connectivity, Inc.

Akron, OH

DEVOPS ENGINEER III (IT)

Jul. 2019 — Jan. 2023

- Orchestrated a comprehensive domain migration for all DevOps systems, developing a suite of custom tools for data analysis, staging/UAT setup, migration, validation, and rollback to ensure every reference (documentation, 1500+ Git repos, code reviews, issues) was transparently updated and referential integrity was maintained without impacting any release cadence during corporate spin-off (exceeding SLOs).
- Centralized governance of 12+ AWS accounts via Control Tower and Organizations, aligning enterprise teams during the normalization of environments and roll out of Guardrails, Microsoft Entra ID SSO, and role based access controls (RBAC), ultimately providing a single-pane-of-glass for resources, compliance, and cost management.
- Architected and implemented hybrid-cloud infrastructure (AWS/VMware) to support multi-tenant IoT device management, Secure Boot provisioning, Over-the-Air (OTA) updates, and secure PKI management using Terraform, Ansible, Helm, EKS (Kubernetes), Keycloak, Hawkbit, and HashiCorp Vault; hardening OTA CVE patching (SBOM management), saving over 400 hours of implementation time compared to alternative solutions, reducing the effort required to hit SLAs/SLOs, and avoiding substantial cost and risk inherent to custom-build PKI and Identity solutions.
- Organized and directed a 12-hour DevOps Modernization Workshop that brought together product managers, executives, and technical leads to align on topics synthesized from the DevOps Research and Assessment (DORA) framework, The Open Group Architecture Framework (TOGAF), The Open Group Service Integration Maturity Model (OSIMM), the Digital Practitioner Body of Knowledge (DPBoK), and DevSecOps research from Carnegie Mellon University Software Engineering Institute (CMU-SEI), successfully culminating in executive buy-in to onboard a specialized transformation partner for ambitious development platform upgrades to accelerate time-to-market.

Akron, OH

DEVOPS ENGINEER II (IT)

Apr. 2018 — Jul. 2019

• Oversaw an in-house migration of digital marketing systems to AWS, performing a comprehensive architectural/security review of the existing vendor solution, orchestrating the migration without downtime, successfully integrating Dynatrace for observability, improving site reliability under high-traffic conditions, and accelerating time-to-market for new campaigns.

- Developed custom tools to convert 300+ PlasticSCM repositories to Git, preserving full history/metadata, saving \$5k/year on licensing, and enabling the professional services team to integrate into the central DevOps platform.
- Authored and delivered an on-site Git training curriculum for 30+ engineers, enhancing collaboration with the wider engineering organization and motivating usage of shared automation.
- Owned the DevOps platform during two business-unit divestitures, leveraging Infrastructure as Code to create parallel systems without
 additional capex and implementing Jira Service Desk to support ITSM within the organization, exceeding SLOs with zero support tickets under
 Transition Service Agreements.

Laird PLC Akron, OH

DEVOPS ENGINEER I (IT)

May. 2016 — Apr. 2018

- Transformed an undocumented legacy DevOps ecosystem into a centralized platform (Jenkins, GitLab, Bugzilla, JFrog Artifactory, MediaWiki) by documenting workflows, creating job aids, tightening integrations, and executing a zero-downtime P2V migration.
- Expanded DevOps systems to support 100+ newly acquired staff, migrating data from Jira, SVN, and Redmine into Bugzilla, GitLab, and other platform tools and coaching teams to adopt standardized processes.
- Engineered containerized DevOps environments (Docker, Packer, Terraform, Rancher) to support M&A activities and ensure business continuity, achieving rapid recovery during a hyperconverged infrastructure failure with no data loss or missed deadlines.
- Engineered cached Android BSP pipelines (Docker, BTRFS, Jenkins) following extensive analysis of the Android build system and load testing of available infrastructure, successfully cutting build times by 80% and reducing storage consumption by 40% while preserving artifact integrity.

My1HR, Inc.

Akron, OH

AWS Systems Administrator

Core

Mar. 2013 — Feb. 2016

- Architected and scaled a secure, multi-tier AWS infrastructure (EC2, RDS, ELB, S3, CloudFront) with layered security controls (IDP, DLP, SIEM) and tightly integrated observability tools (ELK, MySQL NDB Cluster Manager, NewRelic, Zabbix, Nagios) that powered a high-traffic, multi-tenant, HIPAA/HITECH/PCI-DSS compliant SaaS product which helped over 1M+ families annually to enroll in healthcare plans exceeding SLAs by maintaining five-nines availability during peak seasonal traffic.
- Diagnosed and resolved critical MySQL NDB Cluster CGE crashes (SEGFAULTS) by analyzing core dumps to pinpoint a memory page alignment bug and working with Oracle to deploy a patch within one week, maintaining all SLOs and SLAs during the process.
- Streamlined infrastructure management by migrating from Chef/RightScale to CloudFormation/Puppet, improving autoscaling agility by 40% and saving \$50k/year.
- Evangelized Docker for local development, standardizing tooling across a 30-person team and saving 20+ hours during developer onboarding.

Skills

Systems Thinking and Complex Systems Analysis, Enterprise Architecture & Roadmapping, Value Stream Mapping & Workflow

Engineering, Agile Methodologies & Iterative Development, Process Optimization and Automation, High-Impact Migrations &

Transformations, Cost Optimization, Software Development Life Cycle (SDLC) Management, Cloud Security Posture Management,

Cross-Functional Collaboration, Stakeholder & Vendor Management, Technical Leadership and Mentoring

Infrastructure Kubernetes, Rancher, etcd, Crossplane, Spacelift, VMware vSphere, KVM/QEMU, Proxmox, Xen, Hyper-V, Dell EMC, NetApp, Ceph/Rook,

Longhorn, GlusterFS, MetalLB, Harbor, Portus, HashiCorp Vault, Keycloak

Observability Prometheus, Grafana, ELK Stack, Datadog, Dynatrace, Nagios, Icinga, Zabbix

CloudFormation, VPC, EC2, S3, IAM, CloudWatch, ECS/EKS/ECR/Fargate, RDS/Aurora, DynamoDB, Route 53, CloudTrail, Config,

AWS Systems Manager, Secrets Manager, CloudFront, Lambda, KMS, SNS/SQS, X-Ray, ElastiCache, API Gateway, Control

Tower/Organizations, Cognito, AppConfig, Amplify, EFS, SES

GCP Kubernetes Engine (GKE), Compute Engine, VPC, Cloud Storage, App Engine, Cloud Run, Cloud Functions, API Gateway, Cloud

Pub/Sub, IAM, Secret Manager, Cloud APIs, Identity Platform, Shielded VMs

DevOps Terraform, Docker, Jenkins, GitHub Actions, GitLab CI/CD, Ansible, Helm, Packer, Vagrant, Puppet, Chef, Devcontainers

Languages Python, Go, Shell, Bash, Ruby, C/C++, Groovy, Make, SQL, JS/TypeScript, Perl, C#, PHP, Cucumber, x86 Assembly, Lisp, Pascal, LaTeX

Stack PostgreSQL, MySQL, Redis, Microsoft SQL Server, Nginx, Apache, HAProxy, Appwrite, Weaviate, HTML, CSS, JavaScript, Vue.js, Svelte

Education

The University of Akron — Honors College

Akron, Ohio

COURSEWORK TOWARDS: B.S. ELECTRICAL ENGINEERING, B.S. COMPUTER SCIENCE; LEFT FOR CAREER OPPORTUNITIES

2011 — 2013

• President's List (4.0 GPA) — 5 semesters

Kenmore High School

Akron, Ohio

2013

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