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CTO/VPE Software Developer

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OBJECTIVE

CTO/VPE at software startup, pre-series-A, in NY/SF, to grow MVP, team, and scale.

SKILL HIGHLIGHTS

Leader of technology teams working on strategic software product initiatives.
Programmer of production software using a wide range of languages/stacks/tools.
Creator of 5 VC startup tech teams, many FOSS projects, and School.Net nonprofit.

STACK HIGHLIGHTS

Full-stack: Ruby on Rails, Elixir Phoenix, Rust Rocket, Node Express, Python Django.
Back-end: Unix, SQL, AWS, APIs, DevOps, CI/CD, TDD/BDD, IaC, Terraform, Ansible.
Front-end: PETAL, HTML, CSS, JavaScript, iOS Swift, Android Kotlin, mobile-first UI.

EXPERIENCE HIGHLIGHTS

CTO at Commissary Club ◦ **Y Combinator VC** ◦ **2019–2021**
◦ Led the technology, including coding the flagship social network from 0 to 100 MAUs.
◦ Oversaw the buildout of the platform, website, mobile app, APIs, hosting, from 0 to MVP.
◦ Directed10 employees and consultants, lead developer, lead designer, lead analyst.

CTO Engineering Consultant at Omniex Holdings ◦ **Jump Capital VC** ◦ **2018**
◦ Led front-end team of 6, developing fintech blockchain product with React & JavaScript.
◦ Researched and coded next-gen product with Svelte, TypeScript, Node, from 0 to HiFi.
◦ Advised CTO & CEO on tech best practices, PPM/ WBS, hiring/recruiting of 3 leads.

Principal Consultant at ThoughtWorks ◦ **2016–2017**
◦ Grew most-advanced most-profitable team from 0 to 20 FTEs, using iOS and blockchain.
◦ Coached $1MM+ engagement clients in Fortune 50 fintech, manufacturing, B2C goods.
◦ Grew practices in agile, lean, IaC, devops, pops, EPPM, from 0 to 1000+ GitHub stars.

Lead Software Consultant at Boxbee ◦ **500 Startups VC** ◦ **2014-2015**
◦ Led 5 FTE product team from pre-pitch mocks to winning Launch.com Best New Startup.
◦ Led Rails and JavaScript practices, and coded iOS Swift application from 0 to MVP.
◦ Coached CEO and PM on MVP roadmap, engineering, architecture, and fundraising.

Technology Consultant at University of California ◦ **2012-2014**
◦ Programmed secure nationwide UC survey system in Ruby, AWS for 500K users.
◦ Scoped mission-critical enterprise email system for $1.5M migration to Python Django.
◦ Teamed with BA staff to improve IT via DVCS, API, cloud services, for 50+ IT staff.

Lead Software Consultant & Employee #1 at Handle ◦ **Menlo Ventures VC** ◦ **2011**
◦ Programmed productivity web app through successful raise $50K angel then $1MM A.
◦ Hired and led engineering team from 0 to 8, coding with Ruby On Rails, LAMP stack.
◦ Recruited tech vendors, coding consultants, UI/UX designers, and permanent CTO.

Software Developer Consultant at Lightbox ◦ **2006-2011 and continuing**
◦ Led $1MM+ business process automation for digital display network of 100MM MAUs.
◦ Hired and led engineering team from 0 to 8, coding with Ruby On Rails, LAMP stack.
◦ Coded Rails extranet portal, iOS/Android mobile consumer apps, Python custom CDN.