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# JOSEPH E. COMBS

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# SOFTWARE ENGINEER

**Software Engineer** seeking exciting projects which deliver clear value. Interested in web technologies and the power of automation to improve everyday life.

## **KEY COMPETENCIES**

Languages: Ruby, JavaScript, SQL (PostgreSQL and MS SQL), VB.NET, C#

Frameworks: Rails, Backbone.js, jQuery

Infrastructure: AWS (EC2, Glacier, RDS, Route 53, S3), Heroku Other/Misc: Git, HTML, CSS, Bootstrap, Visual Studio, Excel

#### **EMPLOYMENT**

## Software Developer MTAG Services 2013 – 2014

- Maintained and enhanced internally and client-facing CRM and reporting web applications
- Migrated company technology stack to AWS as a proof-of-concept in June 2014
- Wrote custom web scrapers that turned 4-hour projects into 4-minute scripts

## Acquisitions Analyst MTAG Services 2011 – 2013

- Wrote custom web scraping solutions for institutional investor client, allowing for bulk due diligence of real estate. Improved scope of client's asset "universe" by 25%
- Created complete business process map of the Acquisitions department for both ongoing and one-off processes. Improved auditability and consistency of process
- Led implementation of more efficient practices in virtually performed due diligence

Consultant 2014

 Assisted clients with a variety of projects related to bulk real estate due diligence, specifically implementing Google Street View inside of Google Fusion Tables, and consumption of the Zillow API inside of Excel

## **EDUCATION**

App Academy 2014

• Immersive programming boot camp, gained fluency in Ruby on Rails, JavaScript, and general best practices of programming. Course spanned three months with 60-70 hours of work per week.

## Georgetown University 2006 – 2010

B. A. Economics, May 2010. GPA: 3.5/4.0

## **TECHNICAL EXPERIENCE**

**Projects** (all featured on www.josephecombs.com)

- QueueSkipper (2014) Simple listings and bookings application which allows users to sell their spot in a line to other users. Uses Backbone.js to consume a RESTful Rails API. Live at: www.queueskipper.com
- Asteroids (2014) JavaScript game using the HTML5 Canvas API to render game state and listen to user input
- Twitter Bot (2014) Ruby client which uses the Twitter streaming API to instantly respond to tweets mentioning paywalled links with a workaround link
- JobaScripts (2014) Scripts written to automate the job search process, deployed as Google Apps scripts

## **HOBBIES/INTERESTS**

 Magic: The Gathering (rated one of the top players in US), Music Production, Bitcoin, Volleyball, AWS Lambda, Google Glass, Prediction Markets