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Senior Technical Writer

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STRENGTHS AND ACCOMPLISHMENTS

- Accomplished professional with 20+ years of experience managing, authoring, and editing effective content in engineering, research and development, engineering support, and quality assurance environments.
- Industry experience includes Information Technology, Cloud Computing, Engineering, Oil and Gas, 3D Graphic Chip, Telecommunications, Semiconductor, Mortgage, Banking/Portfolio, Services, Law Enforcement, Computer Systems Design, E-Commerce, Digital Streaming, and Artificial Intelligence.
- Experience producing diverse types of documentation, including problem/solution, policy and procedures, product installation manuals, software user guides, online help, service manuals, specification documents, and Web content.
- NET development experience, including developing with C#, Visual Studio, Azure, MS SQL Server, and JavaScript
- Experience with API documentation utilizing GitHub, Postman, Apigee, README, Apiary, and Swagger.
- Experience with **DevOps** philosophies, practices, and tools.
- Experience with ERP for SharePoint and SAP
- Experience with Microsoft Dynamics 365 applications (Salesforce, Power BI, Power Automate)
- Experience researching, writing, and editing technical hardcopy, online documents, and Web-Based Training (WBT).

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Insight Global/HP Inc.

March 2023 to Present

Sr. Technical Writer (Contract)

- Implement a Knowledge Centered Service (KCS) across the HP Global Services Delivery Tower while utilizing Confluence.
- Gather and share insights from knowledge captured in reactive events to drive proactive support interventions.
- Acquire, manage, and organize the Organizational Knowledge and Information with ServiceNow.
- Establish knowledge sharing and organizational learning strategies.
- Document and consolidate working instructions, processes, and procedures using DevOps tools and practices.
- Advise and implement knowledge sharing activities in teams and organizations.
- Work across regions/geographies and worldwide teams to develop and/or implement new/enhanced services, solutions, or programs and associated processes to meet emerging customer/market needs and fuel profitable growth.
- Utilize in-depth understanding of customer business and complex requirements to develop a business case, validate the solution, and demonstrate the services added value.
- Create new developer best practices, processes, and developer documentation paths utilizing Power Automation Microsoft Dynamics application to create Power BI Alert framework.

US Tech Solutions/Amazon

October 2022 to March 2023

Sr. Technical Writer (Contract)

- Design and create Wickr reference material using Oxygen, Jira, and GitHub.
- Author Infrastructure Design documentation for Agile Hub/DevOps group.

Aditi Consulting/Microsoft

July 2021 to November 2022

Sr. API Technical Writer (Contract)

- Create Markdown files for new API for FHIR TOC online help utilizing Visual Studio Basic.
- Design and create API reference material using Swagger, Visual Studio Basic, Jira, and Apiary.

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PayQuicker June 2020 to July 2021

Sr. API Technical Writer (Contract)

 Design and create API reference material using OpenAPI/Swagger, Visual Studio Basic, Jira, GitHub, Confluence, JSON, and XML.

Design and create API help system utilizing Doc-To-Help, ReadMe, <oxygen/> XML Author, Markdown, and PowerBI Microsoft Dynamics application for Salesforce.

Insight Global/Shell Corporation

March 2019 to May 2020

Sr. Technical Writer (Contract)

- Design and create Instructional Design training deliverables using Adobe Captivate and Dreamweaver.
- Author infrastructure design documentation for Agile Hub/DevOps group in Shell IT group.
- All content was documented in Confluence and GitHub Markdown for internal Operations team.

Cloud Automation Solutions/CollabNet

May 2016 to March 2019

Sr. Technical Writer (Contract)

- Develop tailored information architecture, DITA, to enable content for the reuse, translation, and publication of online documentation.
- Develop topics and maps for the CollabNet SAAS DevOps software options utilizing <oxygen/> XML Author.
- Author TeamForge API documentation utilizing Swagger.

Prosource IT/BP October 2013 to April 2016

Sr. Technical Writer (Contract)

- Author operations procedure guides for offshore deployment of oil/gas rig monitoring software.
- Author Infrastructure Design documentation for Agile Hub/DevOps group.
- Compile workflow documentation and other collateral for Support personnel utilizing **Adobe FrameMaker** and **TechSmith Snaglt**.

Cisco Systems (formerly Tidal Software)

June 2007 to July 2013

Sr. Technical Writer

- Lead writer for Tidal Enterprise Scheduler solution
- Manage, author, and edit end-user Enterprise software documentation for software development company's
 performance and compliance solutions (for SAP, PeopleSoft, and Microsoft Exchange Server), including product
 installation and configuration guides, user guides, SDK guides, API guides, hotfix documentation, release notes,
 playbooks, demos, and online help.
- Create documents for Cloud delivery with SaaS for agents and adapters.

Halliburton January 2006 to May 2007

Sr. Technical Writer (Contract)

- Author online help, user guides, installation guides, release notes, and marketing collateral for custom software applications developed for the oil and gas industry.
- Documentation included **Drilling Tools** (Oilfield services).
- Document instructional help topics using Adobe RoboHelp and Adobe Captivate.

Integrity Group/Hewlett Packard

January 1997 to December 2005

Sr. Technical Writer (Contract)

- Author and distribute ProLiant Server content including installation, maintenance/service, and troubleshooting guides.
- Manage the delivery of content to the appropriate customer-facing web portals, which includes interfacing with other internal groups as well as outside vendors
- Develop search criteria and specify content categories for issues delivered to customer-facing web portals, as well as corporate web portals (hp.com).

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JR&R Consulting LLC./Independent Consultant

Provided writing and editing services for various industries.

 Schlumberger – Manage, author, and edited API documentation for Avocet utilizing Confluence, Jira, C#, GitHub, JSON, and XML.

- Thermo Fisher Manage all documentation tasks for the integration of HoloLens with SampleManager project.
- ServiceNow Document and manage API code examples and content for NOW platform utilizing Postman, ReadMe, and GitHub.
- Gimmal Author deliverables associated with the Gimmal ERP-Link Suite for SharePoint and SAP.
- alliantgroup Create cybersecurity policies, procedures, guidelines, and standards, including e-learning.
- Shutterfly Design and create API reference material using OpenAPI/Swagger, Visual Studio Basic, C#, Jira, and GitHub.
- Oasis Silicon Systems Create end-user and technical documentation using Microsoft Word for semiconductor chips.

EDUCATION

- St. Edward's University, Austin, TX/ Kilgore College, Kilgore, TX/Austin Community College, Austin, TX/University of Houston/Houston, TX
 - **114 hours towards Bachelor of Science in Computer Information Science; GPA 4.0. Dean's List
- Corporate course work in business practices, management skills, computer hardware and software, various operating systems and applications, and technical writing.

PROFESSIONAL TRAINING/AFFILIATIONS

- Society for Technical Communication (STC)
- Microsoft Office User Specialist (MOUS) Certifications in Word, Excel, PowerPoint, Access
- Microsoft Certified Systems Engineer (MCSE)
- Cybersecurity Risk Management Certificate
- E-Learning Instructional Design Certificate

SKILLS

Languages	Editors	Source/Version Control	API	Software	Platforms
 C# C++ Java JavaScript HTML XML SGML Visual Basic XQuery DITA Markup 	 Dreamweaver Eclipse Microsoft Visual Studio Microsoft Visual Code Notepad++ WYSIWYG oXygen XML XMetaL MadCap Flare 	 Subversion Team Foundation Server Azure DevOps Git Bitbucket GitHub GitLab Microsoft Azure SharePoint Confluence Visual SourceSafe 	 REST Postman Swagger OpenAPI JSON Apigee ReadMe 	 ServiceNow Salesforce SAP HANA ERP Microsoft Dynamics 365 Cloud SAP MS SQL Server 	 Cloud SaaS PaaS NET SQL Azure DevOps server CSS AWS Lambda

- Markdown
- XHTML
- JSON
- SGML