# Mike McGranahan

Results-oriented software craftsman with 20 YoE (six in leadership/management) in complex domains with demanding non-functional requirements. As a manager, passionate about team trust, empathetic listening, and risk reduction. As a developer, focused on tackling team goals; delivering safe, performant, developer-friendly solutions; and stepping up wherever needed. Advocates strongly for iterative development and domain-driven design as means to sustain success.

### **EXPERIENCE**

**2022–10** to **2023–08** • Sabbatical • rest, reconnection, and research

F# AI code autocompletion property-based testing MAUI Kafka Borg Btrfs Linux knowledge management

- ▶ Experimented with F#, MAUI, property-based testing, event sourcing, Kafka, GitHub Copilot.
- Safeguarded home data with dmcrypt, borg, Btrfs, rdiff-backup, rclone, bash, Powershell, backupninja.
- ► Read books: The Manager's Path, Software Estimation, The Five Dysfunctions of the Team, The Advantage excerpts, Radical Focus, Basics of Nonviolent Communication, The Power of Time Blocking, Domain Modeling Made Functional.

**2019–11** to **2022–10** · Multiple roles at **ServiceTitan** · operations software for trades industry businesses

coaching planning C# TypeScript ASP.NET Core React MobX SQL Server microservices Redis Cordova Kibana

- ▶ 2021-01 to 2022-10 · Engineering Manager
- Up-skilled team with book club / training on Domain-Driven Design, Behavior-Driven Development and automated testing; standardized research and documentation process; and QA-dev cross-training program.
- ▶ Propelled morale with celebratory sprint reviews, blameless postmortems, 10% time, and casual syncs, while rapidly growing from 4 to 10 devs, absorbing domains, and lacking consistent direct manager support.
- Bolstered cross-functional squad predictability by installing iterative processes, establishing syncs between devs and others, expanding dev role to include minor QA tasks, and coaching devs on swarming of large work items.
- Owned company's most utilized, critical, and complex screen, and prioritized performance enhancements to keep pace with usage growth to 35k daily active users and 2 million requests per day.
- Architected, planned, and led scalable next-gen, contextual widget framework to sustain rapid development.
- ▶ Partnered with recruiting and L&D, and interviewed engineering, QA, and product management candidates.
- ▶ Collaborated with product owners and devs to create pragmatic architectures and flexible project plans:
  - Leveraged code to expedite "technician crew" bulk workflows, unblocking entry into construction market.
  - Designed flexible data model for rule-based adjustment in workload capacity planner, alleviating VIP user pain.
  - Planned enhancements to geographical work assignment tool with optional phases, hedging against complications in underlying 3<sup>rd</sup> party mapping library and ensuring priority pain points were addressed.
  - Assigned project leads and coached on soft-skills and planning, creating team redundancy and scalability.
- ▶ 2020-09 to 2021-01 · Staff Engineer
- ▶ Took over neglected 1:1s, attentively listened, and fastidiously resolved issues, leading to improved sentiment.
- ▶ Initiated document repository to distribute tribal knowledge, including Kibana and git recipes, on-call incident procedures, and technical documentation and diagrams, in order to increase resiliency.
- ▶ Partnered with product managers to analyze ideas, establish rough estimates, and plan roadmaps.
- ▶ Rebooted Scrum implementation to improve team cohesion, focus, productivity, and performance tracking.
- ▶ Led massive refactoring of core data models to decouple invoicing and scheduling in order to simplify workflows.

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## **2018–03** to **2019–09** $\cdot$ Head of Engineering at **Reasi** $\cdot$ *blockchain-based real estate escrow*

TypeScript Node.js React PostgreSQL CircleCI Docker Jest AWS Koa Solidity web3.js Lerna

- ▶ Built trustless escrow with Dwolla banking/identity APIs, Ethereum smart contracts, PDF generation, DocuSign.
- ▶ Optimized DevEx with containers, code sharing monorepo, githooks-based linting, migrations, ngrok clone.
- ▶ Streamlined DevOps with CircleCI, AWS ECS, tuneable logging, and envelope encryption for at-rest PII data.
- ▶ Devised recruiting process to minimize bias; refined approach to attract quality candidates despite limited cash.
- ▶ Setup lightweight work management processes based on Scrum, buffered MoSCoW planning.
- ▶ Built PostgreSQL distributed lock and job scheduler, JS Proxy-based dirty-checker to support write optimization.

## 2016–08 to 2018–03 · Senior Instructor at Sabio Bootcamp / Adjunct Faculty at Antioch University L.A.

C# Node.js React Bootstrap ASP.NET MVC Express SQL Server MongoDB AngularJS public speaking TFS

- ▶ Developed lessons, exercises for accredited courses in C#- and Node.js-based web development.
- ▶ Trained, mentored 60+ junior developers as they entered the workforce, with 90% 6-month job hire rate.

## **2014–04** to **2016–06** · Web Developer at **Stack Overflow** · *Q&A for developers*

C# SQL Server A/B testing React Redis Elasticsearch Backbone.js jQuery ASP.NET MVC TeamCity GitLab

- Overhauled critical e-commerce system for UX experimentation, technical debt, testability.
- ▶ Drove A/B experiments to optimize purchase flow completion and employment status freshness.
- ▶ Mentored junior women developers through partnerships with Flatiron School, Girl Develop It NYC.
- Advocated for greater codebase modularity, automated testing, and CSS standardization.

## **2012–04** to **2014–02** • Founder / Wearer of All Hats at **Blocvox** • collaborative social networking service

C# | MongoDB | ASP.NET MVC | MSBuild | Backbone.js | RequireJS | CasperJS | PhantomJS | Azure | TeamCity | Linux Architected for scale with CQRS, DDD, and safeguarded MongoDB with OpenVPN and LVM.

## **2010–06** to **2012–04** • Technology Consultant at **Lab49** • *FinTech consultancy*

C# | SQL Server Analysis Services | Java | WPF | Node.js | WebSockets | Selenium | Jenkins | TeamCity | Pivotal

Rapidly developed streaming financial dashboards for global investment banks in distributed teams.

#### **2008–10** to **2010–06** • Software Engineer at **GameFly** • video game rentals

C# ASP.NET MVC Lucene.net Ruby Rails SQL Server MSBuild NHibernate SQL Server NUnit

Modernized company tech stack to improve stability, maintainability, and test automation.

## **2007–01** to **2008–10** · Lead Developer at **Reborn Studio** · general software consultancy

C# ASP.NET WebForms SQL Server Subversion

Established coding standards and led development of social, video, and geographic search apps.

#### **2004–08** to **2007–01** • Programmer/Analyst at **UCLA** • public research university

C# ASP.NET WebForms | SQL Server | VB.net | VB6 | Windows Forms

Developed SOAP services for campus gradebook management, Exchange server calendaring.

## **EDUCATION**

- ▶ **UCLA** · B.A., Political Science · Part of B.S., Computer Science & Engineering program: *Systems Programming, Logic Design of Digital Systems, Computer Systems Architecture, Computer Network Fundamentals, Database Systems, Formal Languages and Automata Theory, Circuit Analysis, Systems and Signals, and Physics for Electrical Engineers.*
- Certified ScrumMaster