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Blue Ribbon Technology Team,

It is with great pleasure that I apply for the engineering position with your company. I have worked in technology as a software engineer for more than fifteen years. I am technically adept and remain current on technology trends. I have worked mostly, (but not exclusively) in the .NET stack with C# as my primary language. When needed I have worked extensively in JavaScript frameworks as the UI in front of MVC views. I also pivoted to Vue.js (a Razor-like framework) running in Caddy and node.

I am mostly at home within .NET/.NET core using Microsoft’s Visual Studio. I prefer to write my code in such a way that it is clean and concise. It must also be unit testable via n/xunit. I shoot for 80% coverage. I have also assisted the QA staff in writing end-to-end tests. When called for I act as level 3 tier support. I am also extremely proficient in SQL Server and Oracle. I have worked with SOLR in a resume/document application.

I enjoy writing code. I especially enjoy the analysis that goes into creating a scalable application. This analysis starts with frameworks/software language, drills down to unit testing and delves into a robust CI-CD pipeline. Ideally the lifecycle should be tight and deployed after client sign-off. This analysis requires smart people working together and developing and deploying in a consistent manner.

I have worked as an engineer for fifteen years. I enjoy working in small teams and am adept at in-person and online collaboration. I’ve trained and led other developers and am happy to take pointers from anyone. My peer reviews go exceedingly well, and my QA defect rate is historically very low. I am usually called upon to use my MBA to work with clients. Other times I’m asked to create a CI/CD process from scratch. I look forward to discussing my qualifications further.

Sincerely,

Mark Smothers, MBA

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