R O S S   M A C D O N A L D

June 9th, 2020
Subject: Full-Stack Engineer
Attention: CEO Andrew Paradise/Hiring Manager

My love of sports goes back farther than I can remember. I've always been a competitor, and felt that competition is an excellent way to learn life skills. This opportunity would be a perfect match for Skillz and myself - I'm confident that my experience writing full-stack applications will translate immediately into productivity, while my desire to succeed will allow me to quickly catch up on any facets of the job I need to learn.

I have developed several web applications from start to finish. My most recent work is a full stack web application using Node.js, React, and a PostgreSQL database called 'Hearsay' (https://hearsay-app.now.sh). The app is a platform for leaving reviews regarding encounters with law enforcement. Users can leave reviews, look at existing reviews, and participate in discussion boards. This and other projects I built can be found on my personal portfolio website (https://ross-scott-macdonald.com).

Colleagues see me as the one person able to maintain his cool and clearly communicate through any situation. I am no stranger to stress, deadlines, and high-stakes outcomes on the job. I went from a completely green 9-1-1 dispatcher with no experience to training people on the job within one year of starting. I powered my way through bloc.io's program to learn the ins and outs of software development while working my regular full-time job. I know I can not only be a part of the team, but in time become a leader.

Thank you for your consideration. I'm excited for the opportunity to contribute towards Skillz's success.

Sincerely yours,
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