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|  | Rod.R.Ellison@gmail.com | |  |
|  | Parkland, FL. 33076 | |  | I'm an **IT Professional and** **Digital Innovator** with over 25 years of diverse **corporate** experience in application development, enterprise architecture, and strategic planning and portfolio governance.  I also have a passion in the development of applications that bridge technologies such as Mixed reality, and Voice with back-end Cloud API/Database solutions.  With a strong innovation mindset, I lead by demonstration - researching cutting edge technologies and establishing proof of concepts that provide business value.   |  |  | | --- | --- | |  |  | |  |
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| Skills  * Innovation leader * Technical mentor * Effective communicator * Strategic planning and portfolio governance * Enterprise Content Management platforms * (C#, Java, AWS, Unity3D, Blender)  EducationBachelor of Computer ScienceFlorida Atlantic UniversityaWARDS**AET Digital Exchange innovation** **2015**- Awarded first place for an innovative eLearning solution using Oculus Rift/Virtual Reality to provide bite-sized video training in a distraction free fully immersed environment.**AET Gold Excellence 2006** - One of 65 recipients (out of 565 technology focused candidates) personally recognized for driving results, demonstrating leadership and delivering value to American Express.**AXP Chairman’s Award 2000**, Top project (Project Repay). | | |  | Experience **Staff Engineer**  *American Express, Sunrise, Florida (April 2016 – present)*  Responsible for evolving key American Express Accounts Receivable mainframe and distributed platforms to IaaS/PaaS cloud-based architectures. Additionally, drove the platform's API exposure and CICD maturity.   * Worked with Global Statements team to POC, refactor and begin migration of complex M/F centric application onto the PaaS/Cloud environment. * Establish a PDF cache repository for hosting Disclosures content for electronic consented Card members, as the first customer of Amex’s Cloud based elastic Cloud Storage platform. * Delivered the first external Statement request flow (‘Project Halifax’) - allowing over 700k newly acquired Citi customers to obtain copies of prior year statements.   **Director of Technical Architecture/Staff Architect**  *American Express, Plantation, Florida (Oct 2013 – Mar 2016)*  Drove strategic architecture, and governance for key World Service and Global Credit Administration platforms**: Enterprise Content Management/Imaging, Digital Mailroom, Learning Network, Performance/Workforce & Knowledge Management**.   * Led creation and refresh of the portfolio's roadmaps and blueprints, influencing and steering approximately ~$10-20MM annual SQP investment for the collective portfolio and ~$6-10MM in annual AIU (Infrastructure uplift) needs. * Team lead in working with Enterprise Architecture to establish the Servicing Company Platform and its 22+ Technical Platforms, including all metrics/goals for over 250+ individual applications.  **Lead Technical Architect** *American Express, Weston, Florida (2005 – Oct 2013)*   * Led migration of a large-scale Document management platform. * Implemented a SaaS Fax solution for American Express using AT&T/Easylink, defining contractual arrangements and the end to end delivery. * Architected iVu (Image Viewer Utility), a 2-tier .NET Web Application viewer, providing access to over 35+ repositories housing over 1B documents. * Designed and built UCID (Universal Customer ID), a Blaze rules-based solution enabling a consistent customer experience in identification verification at point of call. * Led "Project Repay", building a process allowing 3rd party payment processors a way to upload approximately 500k new customer remit/check images per day for storage in Amex's Document Imaging platforms. | |