**Candidate Name:** Saqib Ali Khan

**Location:** Lahore/Punjab/ Pakistan

**Position:** Laravel Developer

1. How many years of experience do you have with web development do you have?  
Ans: 20+ years  
  
2. How many years of experience do you have in PHP development? Which frameworks?  
Ans: about more than 15+ years. In core php, custom made framework, Laravel, CodeIgnitor and Yii as well.

3. How many years of experience do you have working with laravel?

Ans: Approximately 9+ years

4. Which is the latest Laravel version you have worked with? What specific feature in that laravel

version did you use (for example “My latest version is Laravel 6 where I used Laravel Vapor)

Ans: I used laravel 8 and used features were model factories, route caching, authentication, directories consistency and job batching.

5. Have you written your own APIs?  
Ans: Yes, multiple times in many projects

6. Have you worked with webhooks and implementing hooks with another application? If yes: In

what way was this task done and secured.  
Ans: Yes I worked with webhooks and for security you can use two way authentication as well as white listing the specific domain.  
  
7. Have you set up your own web apps and environments for laravel on fresh virtual machine?  
Ans: I done this on my local machine, but never done this live. Because mostly this process can be controlled by Dev Ops Department.  
  
8. Have you ever setup load balancers and clusters?

Ans: Not yet due to Dev Ops Controls

9. Are you used to writing unit tests for the code you normally develop? Phpunit or other

framework?  
Ans: I used phpunit to write down test cases.  
  
10. Have you been working with redis? In what way?

Ans: Yes I worked with redis in a single project where we have to cache some query for results.

11. Have you worked on any queue handlers? If yes, In which way? Which queue handlers have

you used?  
Ans: I just know about query builder functionality of Laravel, have not used query handlers yet.  
  
12. Have you worked on real time updating pages using socket, firebase, pusher or similar? If so,

using what framework and in short describe the use-case?  
Ans: I worked on firebase for data storage in the past. Used pusher and sockets for real time data transfer for two ways. For firebase actvities I used adonisJs and laravel. And laravel gives the support of pusher type activities as well.

13. Have you worked with micro service architecture? Can you describe the project, in brief?

Ans: Yes, I recently worked for a group of products build to perform SAAS related activities for a group or organizations. These products are handling their accounts, stocks, stores and inventory related information using micro services based APIs, running on multiple distinct servers.

14. Have you worked with API gateway? Yes In what way? Did you build your own or use a

standard product like API gateway from AWS?

Ans: Yes I done this and built our own API gateway.

15. Have you worked with developing SPA (Single page applications)? Using what JavaScript

framework?

Ans: Yes I developed such application six years before, backend was developed in Laravel and for frontend we used vuetify.

16. Do you feel more comfortable on the front end side or backend side?

Ans: I can work for both sides, but love to work as backend because it was behave like a back bone of the project and Most of the business logics are applied there.

17. Which frontend frameworks do you consider your stronger side?

Ans: I can work on blade template systems, but also work in reactjs and vuejs.

18. Have you worked with vuejs? How long?

Ans: Yes I did, and for approximately 1 year.

19. Have you worked with reactjs? How long?

Ans: Yes I did, for approx. 3 years.

20. Have you ever worked with laravel jetstream?

Ans: Not yet, but love to work on such opportunity.

21. Have you worked with docker? In what way? Can you make your own containers?  
Ans: I worked on Docker Configuration file, but never work directly in container.  
  
22. Have you even developed mobile apps? Which languages?  
Ans: No

23. What do you consider the most important part ensuring that your system does not overload

the database? How do you prepare the application (or database) to ensure that your system is

stable.

Ans: There are multiple techniques to handle this.

1- index properly

2- load and update limited data set

3- Do not use \* query

4- Use Queue for larger data insertion

5- Eager loading etc

24. Do you have any experience of building data warehouse or data analytics? If so, in what way

did you use those skills and using which products?

Ans: I worked in a product which is building and retrieving data on the basis of analytical results, but unfortunately this product did not go to live yet.  
In this product some temporary tables were made to make data warehouses and on the basis of input information provided by the user, An analysis process executes and generates a template of data sets automatically for that user to create some ready made inserted data for his organization on its registration.

25. What is your development environment of choice? (OS and editor).  
Ans: Mostly worked on Windows environment (rarely worked on linux) and editor mostly used phpstorm but not fixed, because it depends on language to work for.

26. Any notice period from current works and projects?

Ans: Being a solution architecture, I have completed most of my work and also trained some subordinates of me for enhancement. So due to my past annual leaves quota and my notice period tenure, my notice period can be reduced up to 15 days.

27. What is your current salary level & benefits?

Ans: My current salary is 1300 USD (tax free, due to remittance category) and no other benefits.  
  
28. What is your Expectation in terms of salary?

Ans: My expected salary should be at least 1500 USD (Tax Free).

29. Reason for switch?

Ans: No major pending task in current products and seems like no new product is in queue of development. Another reason of switching is Higher Management changed and a new non technical management is assigned as CTO.

30. How do you feel about using:

a) Jira for project management) Ans: No Issue (already using)

b) Hubstaff for tracking Ans: No Idea about it.

c) using Mattermost (slack alternative for communication) Ans: No Idea about it. (Using slack currently)

31. Would you be willing to do a code test for us for us to assess technical compatibility with the

team? This NOT to develop some code for us (like some unserious employers ask) but rather

to do a genuine code test which is expected to take 2-4 hours.

Ans: Not possible right now, but you can share with me some coding standard which you want to follow by me. Moreover, I am not a 1 to 2 years experienced developer. I have worked in many projects and start work after observing the coding standards followed by old and existing developers.

32. Do you have any relevant laravel/vue code you have worked on we can review internally as a

next step?

Ans: I do not think so that you need this, because laravel/vue are frameworks and have set the major coding styles and methodologies. Moreover, I feel not good to show you the code written by me for some old client, because I have been paid by them to write those code and ethically is not good to show these code.