

Dear Hiring Manager,

Thank you for considering me for your developer position and for reading this brief cover letter.

I am a capable web developer, especially using .NET Core, including Web API and MVC (Razor view engine), to include associated technologies (Entity Framework, SQL Server, LINQ). For client-side applications, my preferred framework is ReactJS. I have deployed (admittedly simple) apps to Azure, Heroku, and AWS S3 buckets; some of which been “full stack” (Azure database, .NET controllers, AJAX data calls).

This cover letter aims to set expectations. I am an ambitious developer in search of an opportunity, but I am admittedly short on experience and have some limitations; for example, regarding .NET, I am much more comfortable with Web API and Core MVC, and much less so with ASP.NET / Web Forms / User Controls, etc. I am willing and desirous to learn. I just want to establish a baseline of understanding about my current capability.

For the right opportunity, I am willing to work very hard and for relative cheap. If the fit feels right, I will begin work at \$50,000/year salary and perhaps even lower, so long as I am provided the opportunity to learn, grow, contribute and work with like-minded intellectually curious folks.

My professional goal is to learn as much about using computers and technologies to create innovative things and make life more efficient. I have no real notions about how that path should look; I prefer to allow career demands to guide my learning. My non-professional goal is simply to make enough income to live in vicinity of Silicon Beach (or, perhaps more ambitiously, Silicon Valley), so that I may feel like I am always in a stimulating learning environment.

Thank you for considering my application and for taking the time to read this cover letter.

Regards,

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My objective is to gain employment as a full-time, full-stack web developer. The ideal position will leverage both my technical skills and the leadership aptitude that I honed as a supervisor while serving in the U.S. military (active duty) and as a civil servant with the federal government. My primary expertise is building client-side applications using HTML, CSS (Bootstrap, ReactStrap), and ReactJs. I have working knowledge of server-side technologies of the Microsoft stack to include .NET Core (MVC/Razor, Web API), Entity Framework, LINQ, SQL Server, and Azure Cloud Storage.

EXPERIENCE

JUNE, 2017 – PRESENT

FREELANCE WEB DEVELOPER

Websites I've built, deployed, and currently maintain:

<http://bogoodski.com>

<http://maxresistanceblog.com>

My GitHub: <https://github.com/sbogucki12>

Graduate: 12-week, in-person, full-time web development bootcamp at the Redwood Code Academy, where the focus was JavaScript (ReactJs) and C# (.NET)

Completed courses:

- Mosh Hamedani's C# Beginner, Intermediate, Advanced courses
- Build a Real World App with ASP.NET Core and Angular 2
- The Complete ASP.NET MVC 5 Course
- Learn ASP.NET Web API 2 for Absolute Beginner
- Maximilian Schwarzmuller's Angular 6, The Complete Guide
- Learning Microsoft Transact - SQL
- Colt Steele's The Ultimate MySQL Bootcamp

Currently Enrolled: Harvard's CS-50, Intro to Computer Science

JANUARY, 2016 – JUNE, 2017

MANAGER, FEDERAL AVIATION ADMINISTRATION (LONG BEACH, CA)

Supervised 13 members of the Admin. and Technical Support Staff of L.A. Aircraft Certification Office

Responsible for all facilities, office equipment; coordinated with building maintenance and ownership

Managed the aviation safety engineer designee program for a multi-state region

JANUARY, 2014 – JANUARY, 2016

DATA ANALYST, FEDERAL AVIATION ADMINISTRATION (LONG BEACH, CA)

Designed, deployed, maintained office "Work Tracking System" database (Microsoft Access) that monitored all incoming/outgoing correspondence and all work assignments and deadlines

Analyzed aviation safety data to provide insight and predictive modeling to office management

Oversaw the office Quality Management System as the ISO 9001 Quality Representative

Provided ad-hoc IT support for office of > 100 personnel

JANUARY, 2012 – JANUARY, 2014

POLICY ANALYST, FEDERAL AVIATION ADMINISTRATION (WASHINGTON, D.C.)

With a partner, developed, wrote, published: Aircraft Certification's Service's implementation of the Federal Aviation Administration's new Compliance Philosophy; Developed/deployed all associated online and in-person instructional courses for FAA personnel pertaining to new policy

Prepared material and conducted briefings for federal executives while working in our Washington, D.C. headquarters

Project managed as the Business Lead on a large Software Development Life Cycle (SDLC) project; building a web portal for all Aircraft Certification internal applications, per the FAA NISC contract

SEPTEMBER, 2010 – MARCH, 2012

MANAGEMENT ASSISTANT, FEDERAL AVIATION ADMINISTRATION (WASHINGTON, D.C.)

Coordinated travel arrangements

Reviewed and submitted payroll for office and division-level staff; up to 70 personnel

Provided customer service to non-government stakeholders and to high-level D.C. government officials who interacted with our office

Maintained calendar/schedule for multiple federal executives

Served as branch communications lead, maintained internal and external websites, published newsletters, and facilitated webinars

Served as Assistant SharePoint lead for the FAA's Engineering Division within the Aircraft Certification Service

EDUCATION

MAY, 2009

BACHELOR'S (INTERNATIONAL STUDIES), UNIVERSITY OF SOUTH FLORIDA (TAMPA)

Wrote, defended, published thesis on genocide prevention that identified a model of societal symptoms that tend to precipitate the emergence of mass genocide

Graduated Magna Cum Laude, GPA 3.82 (of 4.0); alumnus USF's Honors College

Majors: International Studies and Religious Studies

Completed courses on Arabic and Hebrew (currently study Russian recreationally)

Tutored students in the USF Athletics Department on a variety of subjects; mostly English and some science

Fully initiated Brother, Sigma Phi Epsilon fraternity

MILITARY

APRIL, 2002 – OCTOBER, 2005

U.S. ARMY (ACTIVE DUTY)

Promoted to rank of Sergeant in a team leader position as quickly as allowed by policy (24 months)

MOS: 13F, Fire Support Specialist ("Forward Observer")

Two combat tours, Iraq

Participated in six-month intrinsic action in Kuwait to deter Iraqi aggression prior to OIF I

Six-month tour, South Korea; vicinity of the DeMilitarized Zone ("DMZ")

Consistently achieved maximum score on physical fitness assessments

TECHNOLOGIES WITH WHICH I HAVE EXPERIENCE:

C#, .NET Core (MVC/Razor, Web API), Entity Framework, LINQ, SQL Server, SQL Server Express, Microsoft Azure (DocumentDB, Cosmos, Blob Storage), HTML, CSS (Bootstrap / ReactStrap), JavaScript (jQuery, ReactJs, React-Native, JSON), git, GitHub, Visual Studio, VSCode, Visual Studio Team Services, JIRA, Agile Methodology, Postman, Microsoft Office, Outlook, Heroku, WebPack, NodeJs