MARTIN SOUZA

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TECHNICAL SKILLS

JavaScript, React, Material UI, Redux, Ruby on Rails, ORM frameworks, SQL databases, JSON, HTML, CSS, Git, GitHub

TECHNICAL PROJECTS

Who Ya Gonna Call.org — App
A central directory for Ghostbusters fan franchise groups, organized with approval of Ghost Corps.
- Contributed to Python/Django REST API serving PostgreSQL relational database, containerized with Docker
- Developed dynamic, responsive single-page application frontend with React, TypeScript, and Chakra UI
- Participated in planning feature architecture, pair programming, and code reviews

Wordle Analog — GitHub | App
A functional clone of the popular browser-based word game.
- Designed JavaScript/React SPA game client utilizing Redux toolkit for app-wide state management
- Integrated external API to supply random words
- Deployed live app via GitHub Pages to enable CI/CD

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Freelance — Remote
Software Developer — 01/2023–present
- Built and contributed to software projects for various clients

Velvet Fang Games — Remote
Lead Writer, Editor — 05/2019–03/2023
- Conceptualized and wrote setting and narrative materials for game manuals, accessories, and add-ons
- Reviewed and edited text of all game content, approximately 600 pages total
- Devised original world, creatures, and encounters for the Deck of Possibilities™, successfully launched on Kickstarter in September 2022

Quinn Emanuel Urquhart & Sullivan, LLP — New York, New York
Legal Secretary — 07/2013–03/2022
- Supported four to eight attorneys with administrative and paralegal assistance
- Facilitated research, interdepartmental communication, drafting, and proofing; managed expenses and time records

Space Inch, LLC — Remote
QA Tester, Level Designer — 05/2015–02/2016
- Performed exploratory testing of mobile games using TestRail and Jira systems
- Designed and tested levels for puzzle games, monitored player data daily to optimize difficulty curves

Harebrained Schemes LLC — Remote
Editor, Writer, Organized Play Coordinator — 01/2015–01/2016
- Proofread, edited, and wrote articles, stories, game text, and rules materials
- Assisted production and organized play teams with testing, bug reporting, debugging, and event organization

Shalom Leaf, PC — New York, New York
Legal Assistant — 05/2012–06/2013
- Managed office of solo business attorney and assisted with all aspects of practice
- Prepared filings, contracts, letters; conducted research; oversaw company finances; liased with clients and vendors

Stripes39, LLC — Seattle, Washington
Senior Marketing Analyst — 11/2010–11/2011
- Wrote, edited SEO copy to promote client domains through blog posts; analyzed hundreds of target sites, pitched article ideas, ensured successful link placement
- Reorganized contact databases and streamlined team workflow, improving pitch success rates; produced first team SOP document; hired, trained, and managed new team members

EDUCATION

Flatiron School — Remote
Software Engineering Certification — JavaScript, React, Ruby, Rails — 10/2022–01/2023

Reed College — Portland, Oregon
Bachelor of Arts (BA) — Religion