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PROFESSIONAL PROFILE

Self-taught software engineer with 5+ years of experience building and scaling products in fast-paced startup environments. Proven track record of delivering clean, efficient, and maintainable code—primarily with Ruby on Rails—while contributing across the full product lifecycle. Comfortable wearing multiple hats, collaborating closely with cross-functional teams, and navigating ambiguity to deliver high-impact features. Brings strong business insight from a previous background in client management, sales, and performance strategy, adding unique value beyond engineering

CORE COMPETENCIES

- ❖ Software engineering
- ❖ Team Leadership & Development
- ❖ Quality Assurance & Control
- ❖ Stakeholder Communication
- ❖ Relationship Management
- ❖ Budget Management

TECHNICAL SKILLS

- ❖ Java Script
- ❖ Ruby on Rails
- ❖ React.js
- ❖ Stimulus.js
- ❖ Turbo frames
- ❖ PostgreSQL
- ❖ Turbo Streams
- ❖ GitHub
- ❖ Heroku
- ❖ TDD & BDD
- ❖ SEO (Google)
- ❖ Tailwind

KEY ACHIEVEMENTS

- ❖ From learning to code in 2017, rapidly progressed to creating web applications in Ruby on Rails
- ❖ Built a bespoke SaaS application (Webshop) using Devise as a User authentication solution functionality and using both STRIPE API and BRAINTREE for payment authentication using a Credit Card AWS S3 for Image storage.
- ❖ Solo developed a form which is used by company engineers on site that dynamically updates the company dashboard used by CS agents (Boilerjuice)
- ❖ Part pf the core engineering team to develop the new US B2B platform that will be used by the Collaborated in building a new software assessment tool for Traumatic Brain Injury (TBI)
- ❖ Part of the core engineering team to develop the new US B2B platform that will be used countrywide by the US scheduling team

CAREER SUMMARY

SOFTWARE ENGINEER – SCAN.COM   *November 2022 – Present*
- Collaborated closely with the product team to develop the new US B2B platform, creating and implementing features across dedicated portals for Admins, Referring Providers, and Attorneys**.**
- Collaborated on the development of a new software assessment tool for Traumatic Brain Injury (TBI)
- Built front-end features using React, Turbo Frames, Turbo Streams, and Stimulus.js

SOFTWARE ENGINEER – BOILERJUICE   *July 2021 – November - 2022*
- Created and brought to life a dynamic form that involved both backend as well as front end development, this can be used by an Engineer on site, on submission of this form the data is stored in a Postgres (Heroku) database as well as synced on company dashboards using several API calls as well as using AWS Dynamo DB to store payloads.
- System testing using RSpec
- Supported team in managing the Customer Services Help Desk that require dev support

SOFTWARE ENGINEER – KING AND MCGAW *February 2021 – July 2021*
- Fixed Term Contract
- Various projects to improve SEO using Google Tag Manager.
- Developing, improving and maintaining the main retail site working with Rails(6.1) as well as Vue.js and Tailwind CSS on the front end

BUSINESS SYSTEMS ENGINEER- HOSTELLING INTERNATIONAL   *June 2019 - November 2020*
- Worked on project to migrate the current platform over to a Rails (5.2) starting with the existing testing framework (Minitest) to make the tests pass.
- Updated the Front-end views, on the current platform leading to an overall improved user experience (www.hihostels.com)
  - Using Ruby, HTML, CSS (Bootstrap) and JavaScript, edited and amended the site to match organisations Brand Guidelines

FREELANCE RUBY ON RAILS ENGINEER - CDC GLOBAL   *November 2018 - May2019*
- Working Freelance with CDC Global to create and develop the company Web Site.

STUDY SOFTWARE ENGINEERING WITH RUBY ON RAILS   *March 2017 – October 2018*
- Career Change towards Web Development. (Self Taught) using several online courses.
- Developed my skills HTML, CSS, Bootstrap, JavaScript, Ruby on Rails, Git Hub and Heroku

AYMES INERNATIONAL: *NHS Partnership Manager*   *Sep 2016 - Feb 2017*
- Worked to gain market access for a range of Oral Nutritional Supplements with NHS Medicines Management, Community Dietitians and Hospital Dietitians across 30 CCG's in London and Berkshire

GLAXOSMITHKLINE: *Vaccines Key Account Manager*   *2004 - 2016*
- In line with GSK's new Digital Strategy, took on Digital Team Lead role, collaborating with Marketing to develop new team website to drive 2 way communication and share information between sales and brand teams
- Collaborated in developing GSK vaccines on-line ordering Platform which enabled healthcare professionals to place their orders on-line in addition to using traditional channels.
- Acting Regional Business Manager In 2010, to cover sickness, supported the team in implementing strategy, regularly liaising between management and brand teams

EARLIER CAREER

JANSSEN CILAG (SOUTH AFRICA): *Specialist Medical Representative*
HART LTD (SOUTH AFRICA): *Sales Representative*
SOUTH AFRICAN ARMY MEDICAL SERVICES: *Operational Medic*

EDUCATION

Diploma in Sales Management - *Damelin College, South Africa*
Secondary School - *Damelin College, South Africa*