

# Joe Pate

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I'm a decadal Information Security practitioner with focus on security incident detection and response. I enjoy making and integrating tools to improve operational processes.

## EDUCATION

**UNIVERSITY OF CENTRAL FLORIDA**  
B.S. IN INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY  
College of Eng. & Computer Science  
December 2014 | Orlando, FL  
Major GPA: 3.44 / 4.0

## CERTIFICATIONS

**GIAC**  
2017 GCTI • 2017 GCFA • 2019 GWAPT

## SKILLS

### CODING

Languages:

C • Java • JavaScript •  $\LaTeX$  • PHP • Python • SPL • SQL

Libraries:

Boto3 • Pandas • **panther-analysis**  
PySpark • Selenium

Clouds:

**AWS • GCP • OCI**

### ANALYTICAL

AWS Athena • Databricks • Snowflake

Forensic Proficiency:

EML/MSG • Linux • macOS • Windows

Logs of Familiarity:

AWS CloudTrail • Amazon GuardDuty

CrowdStrike Falcon Data Replicator

Github Audit • Okta System

Suricata • Zscaler

## AWARDS

2023 Dropbox Team TACO "Capitan"  
2021 Amazon Security "Bias for Action"  
2021 US Patent **10904292B1** Granted  
2020 US Patent **10740151B1** Granted  
2014 1<sup>st</sup>/10 **NCCDC** National Champions  
(Team Member)

## SOCIETIES

2018 **lockFALE** Seattle Operations Team

2014 **Hack@kUCF** Vice President

## LINKS

GitHub://working-as-designed

LinkedIn://whoisjoepate

## EXPERIENCE

### **DROPBOX** SENIOR SECENG (IC4), DETECTIONS & RESPONSE TEAM

November 2022 – November 2024 | Seattle, WA

- Fulfilled Lead Incident Response role for the Detections and Response Team (DART), serving the 2023 **URL Sharing** and the 2024 **Dropbox Sign** incidents
- Migrated security case management operations and metrics from Jira to Tines
- Co-developed and monitored insider risk detections for multiple reduction in force events
- Managed emergent issues in collaboration with Audit, Compliance, and Risk teams; documented playbooks and engagement outcomes
- Mentored five security engineers as they transitioned into their first enterprise incident response roles

### **AMAZON.COM** SENIOR SECENG (L5-6), DETECTION & MONITORING

July 2018 – June 2022 | Seattle, WA

- Founding threat detection team member focused on protecting the business' AWS environments by leveraging CloudTrail, GuardDuty, and Linux host process telemetry
- Designed, developed, and operated a cloud-native detection system to analyze and enrich security logs spanning hundreds of thousands of AWS accounts to produce actionable threat detections
- Integrated our detection system with the Threat Intelligence Platform to convey Mitre ATT&CK coverage
- Standardized alarm documentation used by four separate organizational roles via the Palantir **Alerting and Detection Strategy Framework**
- Led a threat hunting workstream during the 2021 **Log4Shell** and **Twitch** security incidents
- Accomplished interviewer with 100+ combined phone screen, in-person, or virtual interviews performed
- Promoted to SecEng 3 (L6) in July 2021

### **AMAZON.COM** SECENG (L4-5), SECURITY INCIDENT RESPONSE TEAM

June 2016 – July 2018 | Seattle, WA

- Responded to security incidents from across Amazon's retail business and subsidiaries
- Triaged, negotiated, and resolved responsible disclosure of vulnerabilities through the security@ mailbox
- Collaborated to create requirements and performed user acceptance testing for development of custom case management solution
- Co-led the on-site network security response during the 2017 **Whole Foods** point of sale security incident
- Promoted to SecEng 2 (L5) in October 2017

### **FIREEYE** EVENT ANALYST, FIREEYE-AS-A-SERVICE

January 2015 – May 2016 | Reston, VA

- Participated in a four-on-four-off shift to monitor and analyze threat activity derived from network and endpoint security appliances
- Produced and maintained **Snort** and **OpenIOC** detections for use in customer environments
- Developed a shift schedule calculator, allowing team members to view shift assignments on arbitrary dates in the schedule