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I'm a Staff-level Frontend / Platform Engineer with 15+ years of experience designing scalable web systems across startups and large consumer products. My focus is architectural decision-making, frontend platforms, and product systems – leading as an individual contributor while staying hands-on on critical paths.

At WeTransfer, I led frontend platform architecture across five products used by 1M+ daily users. As a founding engineer on the App Platform team, I drove the adoption of a shared design system used by 30+ engineers, modernized legacy systems, and improved cross-team delivery through clear architectural standards and direct technical involvement.

More recently, I've worked as a Principal Engineer in a small startup environment, owning system architecture, secure access control, and document-centric workflows across core product areas. In a lean team, I partner closely with founders and domain experts to shape product scope, UX decisions, and delivery plans, contributing hands-on where alignment and execution matter most.

I'm seeking a Staff or Principal IC role with a strong frontend or platform focus, where architectural ownership, product collaboration, and hands-on technical leadership are central to building durable, well-crafted systems.

– Let's build something that lasts –  
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