WALT ZIMMERMAN

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SUMMARY

I am a prior service US Army veteran. With no direction after I got out, I went to vegas to become a poker dealer. After the passing of my father, I was inspired to change myself for the better. I jumped into web development head first and haven't looked back since. I am a full stack developer that would make a good contribution to any development team.

EDUCATION

Dev Bootcamp

Web Development 2015

- Over a thousand hours in coding - Acquired a fluency in Ruby, Rails, Javascript, SQL, HTML, Active Record, and CSS - Focused both on web application design and solving algorithmic problems. - Completed a series of hands-on group projects that produced functional web applications - Learned the value of version control, team communication, test driven development, and iterative software development. - Gained a further appreciation for the "soft" skills that are so integral for being a great developer: respect, empathy, compassion, management, and acknowledgement of different experiences and viewpoints.

EMPLOYMENT

BandPass, Full Stack Web Developer, San Fransisco Bay Area

Apr 2015 - Current

BandPass is a startup that deepens the connection between bands and fans while providing bands with a new source of revenue.

- Agile Development Implementation
- Backbone.JS
- Django
- All around generalist

California Grand Casino, Dealer

May 2013 - Oct 2014

- Deal Poker and BlackJack to the masses
- Worked in a fast paced, high pressure environment

Casino Royale, Dealer Coordinator

Sep 2008 - Apr 2013

- Deal Poker
- Managed 10 dealers
- Trained dealers on casino procedure
- Responsible for setting rotation and brake distribution

US Army, US Army Paratrooper

Oct 2003 - Oct 2007

- Conducted Airborne training operations stateside
- Attended Special Forces training and selection program (was injured in training)
- Preformed funeral detail and was a team lead on the firing squad

SKILLS

TECHNICAL SKILLS: Ruby on Rails, JavaScript, Ruby, SQL, PostgreSQL, Node.js, MongoDB, React.js, jQuery, Heroku, HTML5, CSS3, RSPEC, Jasmine, Python, Django, Backbone.JS

GENERAL SKILLS: Leadership, Work Ethic, Communication, Customer Service, Analytical

PROJECTS

Smart Potato

A movie aggregator that streamlines a user's movie watching experience. Could not be deployed due to API constraints, but can be available upon request. Specs: - Ruby on Rails - Postgressql - Redis - Handlebars - JavaScript - JQuery

Frack Jack

Frack Jack is a spin off of your classic blackjack game. This was my very first application. Specs: - Sinatra/Rack - Postgressql - JavaScript - JQuery - CSS Animations

Salty Chat

A very simple and not very visually pleasing chat application. I stepped outside of Dev Bootcamp's scope and taught myself the technologies used here and had a blast doing it. Specs: - Node.js - Express - MongoDB - Mongoose - Socket.io - Boostrap