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Software Programmer/Analyst/Engineer or Equivalent

Qualification Summary:

Accomplished Systems Analyst with a proven record in software analysis, design, development and implementation, exhibiting creativity in delivering successful, cost-effective and high-performance technology and information system solutions, bringing common sense, organizational skills, and a logical decision-making process to solving time-critical problems.

Languages used:

SharePoint 2007, JQuery/JQueryUI, ASP.NET, C#.NET, CSLA.NET, WCF, ExpressionEngine 2.3.1, PHP, JQuery, AngularJS, JavaScript, Prototype, CSS3, Classic ASP, DHTML, Social Media, VB.NET, XHTML, XML, XSLT, AJAX, Photoshop Elements, Visual Basic 6/VBA/VBScript, Delphi, Transact-SQL, MySQL, MSSQL Server, DevExpress and Access Databases, Java EE, MSDOS (Batch Executables), DB2, COBOL II, MVS/VSE JCL, CICS, RPG

Certifications:

Windows Server 2008 Active Directory Domain Services Configuration, May 2011

Platforms used:

SQL Server 2005 & 2008, Windows XP, Windows Vista, Windows 7, MVS 370/390, VSE 370

EXPERIENCE:

KForce – Des Moines, IA

Application Software Engineering Consultant, Wells Fargo Retail Lending Oct 2014 – Present

- Re-Engineered documents processing system into the **Cloud Solution** using ASP.NET/C#/VB.NET, MSSQL Server, SOAP Web Services.

Accomplishments:

- Created a Web Console (SPA) for displaying, editing and resubmitting rejected MQ messaging transactions as part of the Rewards program.
- Created a Web Application to isolate fraudulent transactions for American Express.
- Wrote C#.NET application to buffer upcoming years FDR cycle dates by cycle code.
- Fixed bad expiration date dynamically using VB.NET on CD-055A report from FDR to keep night-cycle from breaking.
- Enhanced the CD-457 Amex Rejects SQL data load.
- Assisted with the implementation of a major quarterly install.

The Palmer Group – Des Moines, IA

Software Developer Consultant, CloudNet Project, Farmers Mutual Hail Feb 2014 – Sep 2014

- Re-Engineered documents processing system into the **Cloud Solution** using ASP.NET/C# 4.5 using Visual Studio 2012, **WCF (Web Services)** and **Oracle, IBatis (XML/SQL Mapper), Perforce, QuickBuild, Resharper, NUnit, TestTrack, Trello.**

Accomplishments:

- Refactored Spring Expired and Cancellation Notice XMLs.
- Refactored Agent and Insured Loss Acknowledgement Letter XMLs.
- Merged MPCFI (Federal) and Private Insurance Coverage Mappers and refactored unit tests.
- Created a process to selectively stop/start document XML generation.
- Set up a DocConversionBatch application to test the APH Summary Event Handling process and provided a Wiki page detailing its usage.

Bass & Associates Inc. – Omaha, NE

Software Engineering Consultant, Web Development, GiftCertificates.com Sep 2013 – Jan 2014

- Project Destiny - Re-Engineered website backend into an **n-tiered architecture** with C# 4.5/CSLA 4.1 using Visual Studio/TFS 2012, **WCF (Web Services), WPF 4.5** and DevExpress 13.1, MSSQLServer 2012 and AngularJS.

Accomplishments:

- Started integrating Web Front-end with AngularJS.
- Converted Fulfillment (WPF) Application to a tabbed format and added Batching functionality.
- Interviewed prospective applicants and consultants.
- Refactored eConnect Web Service to update Great Plains inventory.
- Built Payment Detail page and BillTo object.
- Added Order Search by Credit Card Number functionality.

Client Resources Inc. – Omaha, NE

Web UI Consultant, EBusiness, First National Bank of Omaha Apr 2013 – Aug 2013

<https://www.firstnational.com/site/corporate/banking/online-banking/>

***** This was an intended short-term contract to allow me to refine my CSS development skills.***

- Development of the **Commercial Card** enhancement of the **Commercial Banker** web application, utilizing SpringSource Tool Suite (Eclipse) 2.91, FreeMarker struts and UI macros, CSS3, JQueryUI, Java EE and XML (SOAP Web Services) in MVC and SOA architectures. AGILE Methodology.

Accomplishments:

- Java Properties file merge.
- Restyled Cash Management proxy pages.
- Invoicing and Payments.
- Online Enrollment.

- Adding Products online.
- User Profiles.
- Manage Users.
- User Permissions (Admin, Accounts-Payable and View-Only roles).
- Commercial Card Alerts.
- Site Navigation using XML.
- Assisted QA Team on Account Detail Page Verification.

American National Bank – Omaha, NE

System Analyst - Web Services, <http://www.anbank.com>

Mar 2011 – Mar 2013

- Maintained and enhanced the ANB Internal and External websites for 29 Branch Offices using **SharePoint 2007(WSS) / 2010 Foundation, ASP.NET 3.5, C#, jQuery/jQueryUI, XML/XSLT, AJAX, Classic ASP, SQL Server 2008, MS SQLServer Management Studio, SSRS, MS PowerShell.**
- **SharePoint WSS 2007/2010 Administrator.**
- Rewrote the entire company intranet into **ExpressionEngine 2.3.1 on WAMP.**
- **MySQL Database Administrator.**

Accomplishments:

- Rewrote company intranet onto SP2010 Foundation.
- Rewrote Money Order & Cashier's Check processes onto SP2010 using true ASP.NET/C#/MS SQL Server interfaces.
- Created RSS feeds for both the SharePoint 2007 and Expression Engine 2.3.1 intranets.
- Trained four End-Users to make SharePoint updates.
- Created a PDF-based Branch Key Log and Audit application using Adobe Acrobat X Pro.
- Built a real-time online Approval Process using PHP/MySQL and AJAX Web Service calls for approving large-amount Cashier's Checks.
- Built an Appraisal Evaluation Order List Form with email notification for the Real Estate Dept.
- Converted an on-line printer install application to an XML/XSLT Web Service application.
- Rewrote SharePoint lists and C#/jQuery scripts handling Cashier's Check and Money Order creation and logging.
- Revamped the Cashier's Checks/Money Order extract audit processes using PowerShell.
- Revamped company-wide SharePoint permissions using MS Active Directory.
- Redesigned the Human Resources, Loan Ops and Consumer Lending Home Pages.
- Supported the Auction and Raffle fund-raising activities for the United Way.
- Helped Create Dashboards for the Retail Department using Qlikview BI Enterprise Edition.

Nebraska Red Zone – Omaha, NE

***Lead Web Developer, <http://www.nebraskaredzone.com>
<http://blog.nebraskaredzone.com>***

Jul 2010 – Mar 2011

***** This position was advertised as an ASP.NET, not Classic ASP, position. I left after one season for a true ASP.NET opportunity.***

- Maintained and enhanced the Nebraska Red Zone e-commerce and blog sites designed to sell

University of Nebraska athletic apparel using **Classic ASP, XHTML, CSS, Javascript, JQuery, PHP, WordPress, FrontPage and Dreamweaver.**

Accomplishments:

- Added popular social-media (Facebook (Like), Twitter, Digg, StumbleUpon) link-buttons to all product pages.
- Helped redevelop the Home Page appearance and animation.
- Built an emailing web form from scratch.
- Helped create a blogging subdomain to support the E-Commerce SEO ratings.
- Created displays to indicate when orders would ship and when their estimated arrival.
- Created an electronic Gift Certificate.
- Enforced comprehension of NRZ's shipping policy on every order.
- Created a remaining shipping days countdown display keyed to each game on Nebraska's schedule.
- Created a Stock Item Database entry application for building each season's item catalog using VBA and Access 2007.

Robert Half International – West Des Moines, IA

Web Contractor, <http://firestoneag.com/dealerresource/login.aspx>

Jun 2010 – Jul 2010

***** This contract was a back-fill to finish up for another contractor who left early.***

- Helped analyze and debug the Firestone Ag Tires Regional Dealership Website via the Meyock Group, Inc. Back-end coding utilized **ASP.NET 2.0 (VB.NET), Javascript, Prototype, CSS, AJAX, XML**, Firebug for Firefox, Dreamweaver, VB Studio, Filezilla and jsFiddle.

Accomplishments:

- Stepped in to complete an abandoned contract.
- Responsible for analysis and back-end coding of a highly complex web site.
- Fixed/Updated MasterPages, MasterPage Partial Class, Javascript and XHTML files.
- Successfully applied numerous disparate technologies to successfully complete a project with a very tight deadline.
- Revamped the site navigation.
- Updated data capture and field validation Contact page email.
- Revamped Tire images download dropdown and linked subpages.
- Fixed dropped Cookie information being passed to the Fulfillment page and its subpages.
- Controlled differential file access for Administration, General and Regional Managers, and

Direct

and Associate Dealers.

- Handled invalid logins.
- Engineered new Application to Attend process utilizing an XML solution.

Corporate Travel Safety – Marina del Rey, CA via Mondamin, Iowa

Web Developer Subcontractor, <http://www.corporatetravelsafety.com>

Jan 2010 – Feb 2010

- Helped reorganize and convert a website owned by a LAPD Detective geared towards the

dissemination of travel safety information and the sale of associated travel safety devices.
Conversion and programming included the use of **HTML, PHP, MySQL and WordPress**.

Accomplishments:

- Converted 100+ existing web pages into a **MySQL** database format in **WordPress**.
- Converted said web pages from standard **HTML** to include **PHP**.
- Improved performance by using **MySQL** queries drive new site navigation.

American Computer Services, Inc – Des Moines, Iowa

Contract Developer, Business Solutions Team, Farm Bureau Insurance Sep 2008 – Dec 2008

*** Farm Bureau was made aware at the beginning of this contract that I would have to complete it by the end of November, as my house's waterlines prohibited me from commuting to Des Moines during the winter.*

- Conversion of TestPartner (Compuware) Scripts to issue/reissue multiple-policy insurance accounts using **VBA 6.0, Java (J2EE)**, Access and Excel.
- Developed master driver file using Access and VBA to drive converted process.
- Unit and system tested converted process.

Accomplishments:

- Merged over 35 policy scripts into one fully flexible master script using **Object Oriented** techniques.
- Merged separate processes for eight client-states into one common process.
- Eliminated run-time window hang-ups.
- No Extensions accepted due to not desiring to commute during the winter.

Quest Solutions, Inc – Des Moines, Iowa

Contract Developer, Flex Billing Team, Nationwide Insurance Feb 2008 – Sep 2008

- Analyzed, designed, coded, test and implemented enhancements for the Catalyst Project relevant to commercial changes in the state of Florida using DB2, COBOL and CICS.
- Regression-tested Affinity subsystem changes.
- Analyzed Electronic File Transfer process.

Accomplishments:

- Helped develop the cycle-billing methodology.
- Introduced network-based processes for tracking and documenting code changes and long-term test file storage.
- One Extension accepted.

Mid America Computer Corporation (MACC) – Blair, Nebraska

Programmer Analyst / System Analyst, Customer Master & Bill Master Teams Nov 2000 – Jan 2008

- Wrote and maintained **Transact-SQL**-based Stored Procedures, Functions and Triggers.
- Converted Delinquency Reports in Customer Master to use DLL calls and Stored Procedures (**Transact-SQL**) to enhance efficiency and maintainability.

- Enhanced the Network Number Selector Form and Stored Procedure in Customer Master.
- Developed and maintained the Customer Master Trouble Report and associated processes.
- Maintained and developed Customer Master reporting packages using **Report Builder (SSRS)** and **Crystal Reports**.
- Proactively converted the Surcharge Maintenance process using **VBA 6.0, VBScript** and in-line SQL in conjunction with an Access Database and MS-DOS Batch files.
- Wrote **VBScript-driven queries** to use an Access database to control DOC1 processing and maintenance for over 300 individual companies. Wrote a **VBA 6.0 interface** to manage this Access database.
- Helped develop an **XML** file format process to maintain an **E-Billing** process via the **DOC1** Bill (Pitney-Bowes 3rd Party Bill formatting software package) creation process.
- Converted the Bill Master process to run on a network environment.
- Provided leadership and technical direction in re-engineering the Bill Master process to make it more efficient and effective.
- Developed data streams, processes, and mainframe and network models to optimize architecture and to evaluate the performance and reliability of the highly technical and complex **DOC1** bill formatting process.
- Coordinated with other software development teams to develop application software and process control software systems.
- **Developed a website** documenting the entire process and linking code, copybooks, JCL and other miscellaneous information using **ASP.NET, HTML and JavaScript**.
- Wrote, modified, integrated and tested software code and maintained existing computer programs by making modifications as required using **COBOL II, MVS JCL, RPG, HTML**.
- Identified and communicated technical problems, processes and solutions.
- Prepared reports and other documentation on the status, operation and maintenance of the Bill Master software.
- Assisted in the collection and documentation of customer-focused requirements (both from our **Client/Server** team and client companies).
- Assisted in the development of logical and physical specifications.
- Automated manual processes in line with the companies goals and objectives.

Accomplishments:

- Reduced script run-times for an individual client company and engineered easier maintenance tools and applications.
- Introduced innovative, forward-thinking technologies.
- Reduced production error rates to less than 1% per billing cycle while reducing company run-times by over 50%.
- Reduced code duplication substantially.
- Modularized and re-engineered all job streams and critical programs.
- Increased efficiency and effectiveness of the Bill Master process.

Education:

2011-2013

End-User and Developer Training for **SharePoint (MOSS) 2010 Expression Engine 2.3.1** via Creat-ee.com

2003 - 2010 Additional training: **C#, C++, Java**, Transact-SQL, **Perl, VB 5.0, 6.0 VBA, VBScript, HTML, XML, SAS**, DB Management
June 1995 Ph.D. Candidate, University of Connecticut
August 1990 M.S., Texas A&M University
May 1988 B.A., University of Nebraska – Omaha, Cum Laude

Honors and Awards:

1994 Published two professional papers from my Master's Thesis
1989, 1992 - 1995 Visiting Research Scientist, **Harvard University** and **Smithsonian Institute**
June 1990 2nd Place, ASIH Stoye Award, **Best Student Presentation**, National Meeting
1985 – 1988 **Dean's List**, University of Nebraska - Omaha
1983 – 1987 Ak-Sar-Ben / Omaha World Herald Scholastic Scholarship Recipient