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Summary

If you're in search of an accomplished Frontend Developer with a specialization in React, coupled with proficiency in Vue, adeptness in contributing to Node-based Backend, and a track record of developing mobile apps using React Native, then your search can conclude here. I have a proven record of maintaining high productivity while working remotely, and I am eager to bring my wealth of knowledge and experience to a new team.

Whether it's a dynamic startup or an established enterprise, I am actively seeking a fully-remote opportunity that aligns with my passion for contributing to exceptional products that cater to a broad user base.

I prefer operating as a contractor, a choice that eliminates the need for establishing a legal entity in my home country of Kazakhstan. If you're seeking a dedicated professional who embodies a blend of technical prowess and collaborative spirit, your search has led you to the right candidate.

Skills

JavaScript • TypeScript • React • Redux • Zustand • React Query • Sass/css • Styled Components • Emotion • Storybook • Jest • React Testing Library • GraphQL • Apollo • REST • Docker • Vite • Webpack • Github • Gitlab

Work Experience

Senior Frontend Developer / Team Lead

Feb 2021 – May 2023 • 2 yrs 3 mos

Athenian SAS • Contract

Remote

Technologies: JavaScript • TypeScript • React • React Query • Highcharts • React VIS • Storybook • Jest • React Testing Library • Docker • Vite • Github Actions

Athenian, a compact yet vibrant French startup operating in a fully-remote capacity, recently faced unfortunate closure. Throughout its journey, I held the pivotal role of being the proprietor of the web application's codebase. I played an integral role in the development of a cutting-edge SaaS product that catered to software development firms by furnishing them with comprehensive engineering metrics.

In recognition of my dedication and contributions, I was promoted to the esteemed position of Team Lead after a year of service. In this elevated role, I successfully helmed a proficient team comprising two frontend developers and a backend developer. Together, we forged a cohesive unit, ensuring seamless collaboration and efficient progress.

For a firsthand experience of our innovative application, a live demo is still accessible at the following link:
<https://app.athenian.co/demo>

Notable achievements:

- **Enhanced Codebase Quality:** Spearheaded the introduction of best practices into the project, undertaking a substantial refactoring of legacy code. This strategic effort significantly elevated code readability and maintainability, laying the foundation for streamlined future development.
- **Successful Product Launch - Align:** Orchestrated the successful implementation of a transformative new product named "Align." This strategic addition not only boosted sales figures but also contributed to a notable increase in overall company profitability.
- **Talent Acquisition and Team Building:** Played an instrumental role in the recruitment process, actively participating in the selection and onboarding of new frontend and backend developers. This collaborative effort culminated in the creation of a high-performing team characterized by exceptional talent and collaborative spirit.

Senior Frontend Developer / Team Lead

Nov 2019 – Jan 2021 • 1 yr 2 mos

Luggo BV • Full Time /Contract

Amsterdam, Netherlands / Remote

Technologies: JavaScript • React • Redux • Storybook • Styled Components • Jest • React Testing Library • Docker • Webpack • Gitlab CI

Contributed significantly to the development of an innovative application for a Dutch startup, designed to facilitate seamless luggage transportation for air travelers. Starting from April 2020, I assumed the role of Team Lead, leading a dynamic and talented group consisting of two frontend and two backend developers. This leadership role enabled me to guide the team towards successful project execution while ensuring the highest standards of collaboration and performance.

Key achievements:

- **Elevated App Quality and Reliability:** Significantly enhanced the application's overall quality and reliability by spearheading the integration of unit tests and storybooks. This meticulous approach to testing fortified the foundation of the app, ensuring robust functionality and seamless user experiences.
- **Enhanced User Appeal and Accessibility:** Driven by a commitment to user satisfaction, I successfully orchestrated the implementation of responsive design, dynamic styling themes, and the establishment of a comprehensive design system. These strategic enhancements collectively rendered the app more visually appealing, user-friendly, and adaptable across various devices and platforms.
- **Optimized User Experience with Real-Time Updates:** Leveraged server-side events to revolutionize the app's user experience. By facilitating instant updates, I elevated the app's responsiveness, ensuring that users receive timely and accurate information, thereby fostering a more engaging and efficient interaction.

Senior Frontend Developer

Jul 2018 – Aug 2019 • 1 yr 1 mo

Frontmen BV • Full-time

Amsterdam, Netherlands

Technologies: JavaScript • TypeScript • Vue.js • Vuex • GraphQL • Node.js • Jest • Docker • Webpack • Gitlab CI

I was engaged by a prominent Dutch consultancy company, which subsequently assigned me to a critical project at one of the largest supermarket chains in the Netherlands, Jumbo Supermarkten. This collaboration allowed me to contribute my expertise and insights to a significant undertaking within the retail industry.

Notable achievements:

- **Revitalizing Legacy Codebase:** Successfully eliminated a substantial amount of unmaintainable legacy code, orchestrating a seamless transition to a more modern Vue.js application. This strategic overhaul not only enhanced maintainability but also contributed to improved performance and user experience.
- **Elevated Code Quality and Collaboration:** Led the creation of a comprehensive component library, coupled with the implementation of robust unit tests and storybooks. This multifaceted approach not only bolstered code quality but also fostered a collaborative development environment, enabling streamlined iterations and refined user interfaces.
- **Optimized API Performance:** Effectively addressed performance bottlenecks associated with a slow legacy API. Introduced a Node middleware Back-end For Front-end (BFF) layer that facilitated GraphQL queries, resulting in a significant improvement in response times and overall system efficiency.

Senior Frontend Developer / Team Lead

Oct 2017 – Jul 2018 • 9 mos

Infin-IT Solutions • Full-time

Almaty, Kazakhstan

Technologies: JavaScript • TypeScript • React • Redux • Sass/css • Docker • Webpack • Gitlab CI

Played a pivotal role in the development of a versatile Internet Banking solution, which subsequently found its way into multiple premier banks across Kazakhstan. Shortly after joining the company, my contributions were swiftly recognized, leading to a well-deserved promotion to the position of Frontend Team Lead. In this capacity, I successfully guided and managed a dedicated team of four frontend developers, steering our collective efforts toward the creation of innovative and user-centric banking solutions.

Key achievements:

- **Architectural Innovation and Scalability:** Spearheaded the formulation of a robust architecture that enabled seamless support for multiple banks through a unified application. This visionary approach laid the groundwork for efficient multi-bank integration, reducing development complexity and enhancing overall scalability.
- **Modularization and Enhanced Maintenance:** Successfully partitioned a substantial monolithic React application into discrete repositories. This strategic initiative not only simplified maintenance but also facilitated independent development, enabling more streamlined updates and improved codebase manageability.
- **Elevated Code Standards and Efficiency:** Uplifted code quality by introducing cutting-edge technologies such as TypeScript and Sass. By embracing these advanced tools, I bolstered the application's reliability and maintainability. Additionally, the adoption of modular components streamlined development processes and enhanced code reusability.

Senior Software Developer

Apr 2016 – Oct 2017 • 1 yr 6 mos

Kaspi Bank • Full-time

Almaty, Kazakhstan

Technologies: Python • PostgreSQL • React Native • Redux • Django Rest Framework

During my tenure at Kaspi Bank, an institution renowned for its exceptional innovation and prominent recognition in Kazakhstan, I was actively involved in a pivotal project. This project was geared towards the development of a user-friendly and efficient solution, designed to enable seamless discovery of various places and points of interest. The endeavor aligned perfectly with the bank's reputation for pioneering initiatives that cater to the evolving needs of its clientele.

Key achievements:

- **Architectural Leadership:** Played a pivotal role in shaping the overarching architecture of the solution. Through strategic planning and meticulous design, I contributed to establishing a strong and coherent foundation that supported the project's objectives.
- **Comprehensive Data Aggregation:** Successfully executed data gathering from diverse online sources, encompassing a wide spectrum of geospatial information, including addresses, administrative boundaries, and points of interest. This comprehensive data aggregation enhanced the solution's depth and utility.
- **Mobile Application Innovation:** Spearheaded the development of a cutting-edge mobile application employing React Native and Django. This innovative application facilitated the seamless recording and storage of GPS coordinates for various objects, both online and offline. The offline functionality enabled data collection even in regions with limited or no internet connectivity, thereby enriching the geolocation dataset.

... In addition to the highlighted achievements, I have successfully contributed to and led various other projects throughout my professional career that started in 2007. These endeavors have consistently showcased my adaptability, technical proficiency, and commitment to delivering impactful solutions.

Education

Master's degree in Software Engineering

Sep 2009 – May 2011 • 1 yr 8 mos

McMaster University

Hamilton, Canada

Bachelor's degree in Software Engineering

Sep 2001 - May 2006 • 4 yr 8 mos

Satbayev University

Almaty, Kazakhstan

Languages

English (Professional working proficiency)

Kazakh (Native)

Russian (Bilingual proficiency)

Hobbies

Tennis • Ping pong • Squash • Hiking • Cycling • Climbing • Piano

Personal Projects

Core Contributor at an open-source project called "Vue Storefront"

Dec 2017 – Oct 2018 • 10 mos

Technologies: Vue.js • Vuex • Node.js • GraphQL • Sass/css • Webpack • Github Actions

This was an open-source e-commerce solution which I joined and soon became a core contributor both on the Frontend and Backend parts. All my contributions can be found here by these links:

<https://github.com/vuestorefront/vue-storefront-api/commits?author=akbarik>

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