

Andrew B. Stowell

Senior Website Developer

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Executive Summary

Detail oriented website developer with nearly a decade of experience in website development, content management systems, database systems, ecommerce websites, and server management. Developed in a variety of different server environments, programming languages, and frameworks; particularly fond of PHP and both Laravel and Symfony frameworks.

Work Experience

BYO Recreation

Saint Augustine, Florida

Senior Web Developer

April 2019 – Present

Maintaining a collection of public ecommerce websites, informational websites, and backend systems. I worked on the full stack, managing everything from server infrastructure down to implementing styling on website. As the person in charge of making technical decisions, I migrated operations to the cloud, retiring multiple in-office servers. Set up a robust backup solution, since the company had lost important data in the past. Optimized their existing cloud configuration, resulting in reducing cost by 75%, also improved performance time-to-first-byte (TTFB) by a factor of 10 on flagship website.

ERT

Asheville, North Carolina

Web Developer

February 2016 – April 2019

Maintained a Drupal 7 website with a variety of custom modules. Started on building out the next version of the website in Drupal 8; split off APIs to their own Symfony application, to reduce how much was implemented as custom Drupal modules. Also wrote the Ansible playbook for the new server platform. As ERT is a contracting company working for the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA), the job included navigating through a lot of bureaucracy.

Windstream

Greenville, South Carolina

Client Server Dev/Analyst II

August 2015 – February 2016

Maintained a wide collection PHP web-based tools and Python command-line based utilities as part of a small team of programmers, alongside a project manager. Completed first phase of rewriting the most used tools into the Laravel framework, to eliminate inconsistent interfaces, multiple logins, patchy permissions, and innumerable security flaws. Hired permanently in December 2015, after being a contract employee through The Select Group.

KimmeL & Associates

Asheville, North Carolina

Software Engineer

October 2014 – July 2015

Working in a small team of Software Engineers on a variety of projects using agile development. Each project was built using Ruby on Rails, MySQL, and ElasticSearch. Projects completed include:

- A single-sign-on/out authentication system, using the CAS 3.1 standard.
- A user-management-system which also manages authorization, via JSON API calls.
- An employee directory, including front-end for managing users and their permissions.
- A content management system, which supported:
 - A flexible inclusion system for dynamic content preparation.
 - A comprehensive navigation system to organize all content.
- A simple ticketing system, allowing multiple departments in the company to track issues/requests/suggestions made to their department.

Construction Jobs

Asheville, North Carolina

Website Development Technician

March 2012 – October 2014

Built ConstructionJobs.com, a web-based job-board system, which included detailed tracking for federal contractors comply with government regulations. Migrated all the existing data from old job-board system. Server runs on Linux, Apache, and Tomcat. Website was built using PHP, MySQL, Solr, HTML, CSS, and jQuery. Beyond the website, the system also included interfacing with several inbound and outbound xml job feeds, to automatically import jobs from larger employers and increase job exposure, respectively. Responsibilities also included server configuration and maintenance, search engine optimization (SEO), and regularly working with sales dept. to ensure desired functionality.

Drake Software

Franklin, North Carolina

Tax Programmer

May 2009 – April 2010

Maintained, updated, and unit-tested a computer program for calculating all types of tax returns for both the District of Columbia and Iowa. Program was written in PowerBASIC. Worked closely with a pair of testers and tax analysts to ensure that the program worked properly and achieved the correct results.

KimmeL & Associates

Asheville, North Carolina

Computer Programming Intern

May 2008 – August 2008

Built a web-based auctioning system like eBay.com, complete with administrative management system for adding and monitoring auctions. Server runs on Microsoft Server and IIS. Website was built using ColdFusion, FuseBox, Microsoft SQL Server, HTML, CSS, and Javascript.

Education

Bachelor of Science in Computer Science

Graduated from Western Carolina University with a 3.5 GPA in May 2009. Awarded Dean's List on 5 occasions. Minored in Mathematics.