Kevin Houtz

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- Built an EKS cluster to host non-production environments for the suite of backend microservices, including pull-request environments for manual testing
- Stood up a CI/CD pipeline using Github Actions and ArgoCD, enforcing code style and and providing fast feedback to developers from tests and QA
- Migrated all backend Guice+RESTEasy applications on Java 8 to Spring Boot and Java 21, unifying configuration, testing, and deployments

Senior Software Engineer February 2022 - January 2023

- Built an EKS cluster, managed by ArgoCD, to host environments for each Github pull request for manual testing and QA
- Introduced an automated test suite which increased coverage from 0% to 65% to safely pay back tech debt
- · Refactored the deployment strategy from customer specific branches, to using feature flags and a configuration management system

Rocketmiles

Senior Software Engineer February 2021 - January 2022

- · Technical lead of the payments team: mentor, scope requirements, work with other teams, and plan sprints to launch payment processors for the whitelabel platform
- Added 3 currencies and 2 payment processor to the payment page, enabling transactions in more regions

Software Engineer October 2019 - February 2021

- Joined users from 4 different application databases to be used from a single, unified datastore
- Migrated customer PII to an encrypted datastore with no interruptions to application uptime

Signal

Software Engineer September 2018 - August 2019

- Reduced processing time from hours to 15 minutes for batch jobs by converting a web application to run in a container and orchestrated by AWS Batch
- · Worked on the activations team writing and maintaining Java applications, increasing reliability, maintainability, and visibility into the pipeline

Clarity Partners LLC

Senior Software Consultant January 2013 - September 2018

- Wrote a tool using GIS to enforce licensing of an even distribution of moratoriums
- Transitioned the Chicago vehicle registration program from summer sales only, to year round sales

LANGUAGES

Kotlin Java Groovy Scala Python C#

FRAMEWORKS

Spring Boot Guice Grails Ktor

TECHNOLOGIES

Docker **PostgreSQL** Terraform Kubernetes ArgoCD Elasticsearch **AWS Batch** AWS Lambda DynamoDB Aerospike Kafka Step **Functions**