Steven Bennett

Senior Full Stack Software Engineer and Technical Leader

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SUMMARY

Senior full stack engineer and technical leader with 15+ years delivering production web applications for startups, global brands, and public-sector organizations. Deep expertise in JavaScript, TypeScript, React, Next.js, Node.js, frontend architecture, accessibility, performance, design systems, and API-driven products. Leads complex initiatives from product discovery through launch, mentors engineers, and translates ambiguous requirements into maintainable systems with measurable business impact.

TECHNICAL EXPERTISE

Languages and frameworks: JavaScript, TypeScript, React, Next.js, Node.js, Express, GraphQL, PHP, Python

Frontend and quality: Accessible responsive UI, design systems, CSS, Tailwind CSS, Material UI, Storybook, Vitest, Jest, React Testing Library, Playwright, Cypress

Architecture and delivery: Full stack architecture, REST and GraphQL APIs, performance optimization, SSR, SSG, ISR, Server Actions, monorepos, CI/CD, Docker, Kubernetes, AWS, Azure, Google Cloud, Oracle Cloud, Agile leadership

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Chatterworks | **Consulting Senior Frontend Engineer** May 2025 - August 2026

Remote

- Served as sole frontend engineer at a five-person startup, rebuilding the V2 product in Next.js 16 with a scalable architecture and refined design system.
- Applied SSR, SSG, ISR, Server Actions, client-component islands, and cache tags to improve speed, correctness, and maintainability; the launch enabled an influencer campaign and helped the company surpass $1M ARR.

Funko | **Consulting Senior Frontend Engineer** Sep 2025 - May 2026

Remote

- Helped build and launch Pop Yourself Everywhere across mobile, web, and self-service kiosks, including the first live deployment at an Inter Miami match.
- Created accessible, resilient, touch-first interfaces and polished interaction patterns for a consistent customer experience across device formats.

The Motley Fool | **Technical Lead** Jun 2025 - Oct 2025

- Wrote more than 2,400 automated tests, increasing repository coverage from under 5% to 65% and reducing approximately 400,000 weekly captured errors by 87%.
- Used MCP tooling across Jira, Slack, GitHub, Confluence, and Sentry to diagnose user-experience and delivery issues, document business impact, and develop remediation plans with engineering and product stakeholders.

Synchrony | **Technical Lead** Jan 2025 - Jun 2025

Contract | Remote

- Reduced feature delivery time by 40% by establishing Definitions of Ready, better story decomposition, and clearer coordination among product, Scrum, engineering, and dependent teams.
- Mentored developers on code quality and technical excellence while shielding the team from unnecessary meetings and accelerating cross-team issue resolution.

GE | **Senior React Developer** Mar 2024 - Jan 2025

Contract | Remote

- Built accessible, responsive interfaces for a SaaS product used by power-grid operators to view and simulate real-time data using TypeScript, React, Vite, Node.js, Tailwind CSS, and Material UI.
- Created component, unit, and functional coverage with Vitest, React Testing Library, Playwright, and Storybook; designed a cloud-agnostic deployment approach spanning Azure, Google Cloud, and AWS.

U.S. Department of the Treasury | **Lead Engineer** Jun 2023 - Mar 2024

Contract | Remote

- Led a three-person team building a unified platform for provisioning resources across AWS, Google Cloud, and Oracle Cloud through a single web interface.
- Translated stakeholder needs into prioritized requirements and delivery plans, ran Scrum ceremonies, mentored engineers, and improved accessibility and quality with TypeScript, ESLint, and Playwright.

Jaguar Land Rover | **Senior Engineer** Jan 2023 - Jul 2023

Contract | Remote

- Designed and built a scalable full stack research platform with React, Vite, Styled Components, Express, Prisma, GraphQL, Docker, Turborepo, and Kubernetes for capturing prototype interactions.
- Automated the prototype-import and processing workflow, eliminating work equivalent to two full-time roles while extending third-party prototyping tools beyond the product team's original expectations.

National Basketball Association | **Senior Software Engineer** Apr 2022 - Jan 2023

Contract | Remote

- Built and maintained Node.js services delivering real-time game data and player statistics to NBA.com, televised broadcasts, and NBA League Pass.
- Replaced legacy REST endpoints with GraphQL services and a type-safe client library, reducing request volume and improving latency by up to 80%.

Nike | **Senior Software Engineer III** Aug 2018 - Apr 2022

Beaverton, Oregon

- Built an accessible React and TypeScript customer-engagement application on Twilio for Nike Experts on Demand, partnering with product, design, backend, and mobile teams on APIs, experiments, and delivery priorities.
- Delivered responsive, pixel-accurate interfaces from Figma and implemented unit, component, and functional tests with Mocha, Chai, Jest, React Testing Library, and Cypress.

Nike | **Lead Engineer** May 2015 - Aug 2018

Beaverton, Oregon

- Led three engineers in redesigning Nike customer-support sites as one React application hosted on AWS and migrated 48 legacy PHP codebases into a version-controlled Node.js monorepo.
- Unified global support experiences with localization, internationalization, CI/CD, and 70% test coverage, saving hundreds of developer hours; also built Snowflake data solutions for real-time analytics.

Oracle | **Sales Demo Architect** Apr 2011 - May 2015

Bozeman, Montana | Hybrid

- Architected end-to-end Oracle Service Cloud CRM demonstrations and tailored customer portals using HTML, CSS, JavaScript, PHP, and CodeIgniter for enterprise sales opportunities.

EARLIER EXPERIENCE

Technical Solution Services | **Systems Administrator** Nov 2010 - Jan 2011

Supported Windows and Linux networks, Active Directory accounts, security, and troubleshooting for small businesses.

N.E.W. | **PC Technician** Jan 2006 - Jul 2009

Resolved escalated hardware and software issues, supported customers remotely, and trained employees on new clients and technologies.