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Summary

Software designer and entrepreneur based in Calgary, Canada. Co-founder and CEO of Bidali, where we develop technologies that empower regular people to participate in the global economy on their own terms. Full-stack developer with a passion for building beautiful products people love. Maintainer of Feathers.js, creator of DeliciousDB, and founder of YYC.js meetup group. Exploring the intersection of programmable, cryptographically secure money, and the history of money, banking, and economics.

Experience

Co-Founder — Bidali

March 2018 — Present · Calgary, Canada

At Bidali we are reinventing commerce and are on a mission to create a safer, more inclusive global financial system. Our platform saves customers money by giving them instant cash back on purchases and the ability to send money for free. For businesses of all sizes, we enable them to accept next generation payments and distribute more flexible gift card and incentive programs that increase revenue and eliminate fraud.

Managing Partner — Bullish Ventures

August 2015 — Present · Calgary, Canada

Bullish is a boutique venture development and consulting firm with a focus on incubating startups and getting quality products to market quickly. We take ideas that have been validated through low-fi prototypes, help bring them market, and grow them into successful products. We're a group of full stack developers and entrepreneurs so we understand what it takes. With over 50 years of combined experience with startups and enterprise we specialize in building scalable, real-time platforms and gorgeous apps that incorporate next generation web, mobile, blockchain, and IoT technologies.

National FinTech Committee Member — Canadian Blockchain Consortium

March 2020 — December 2024 · Canada (Part-time)

Helped lead the national FinTech committee within the Canadian Blockchain Consortium, with the main goal to encourage collaboration among stakeholders across Canada in order to develop world leading standards and applications of blockchain technology in finance.

Engineering — KISSmetrics

July 2014 — January 2015 · Calgary, Canada

Worked in an incredibly eye-opening and humbling environment on one of the best analytics and marketing tools on the market.

- Responsible for maintaining and deploying rapid fixes to legacy systems
- Worked towards simplifying the front-end architecture
- Got tests and code linting as part of the deployment process
- Helped build out much of the new reporting and dashboards in React

- Collaborated with design team, VP of product, and customer research to critique and improve new features

VP of Architecture — PetroFeed

March 2013 — May 2014 · Calgary, Canada

Worked with an exceptional team building a communication and collaboration platform that is changing the way information is shared in the energy industry. Primarily responsible for our data crawling and processing pipeline.

- Front-end development
- Copywriting
- Planning and determining feature priorities around short-term and long term business goals
- Interviewing prospective employees and on-boarding new ones
- Maintaining the balance between moving fast and wrangling technical debt

Software Developer — Calgary Scientific Inc

September 2012 — March 2013 · Calgary, Canada

Worked with a very talented team on Calgary Scientific's ResolutionMD product for both mobile and web, including their yet to be released JavaScript + HTML5 product that was demoed at RSNA 2012.

Senior Software Developer — MyMobileCoverage

May 2011 — July 2012 · Calgary, Canada

Worked on building a highly scalable, lightning fast mobile service using MongoDB and NodeJS. Extensive front-end development using BackboneJS and Twitter's Bootstrap.

President & Founder — Krysco Contracting Corp.

2004 — 2012 · Calgary, Canada

Specializing in residential landscape construction and renovation, creating functional aesthetically pleasing outdoor spaces by combining high quality, durable construction and unique designs.

Software Development Intern — TRLabs

2011 · Calgary, Canada

Recruited as an intern to work for MyMobileCoverage. Internship was cut short and was hired full-time to help re-architect their entire stack and move it from .Net to a highly scalable setup using MongoDB and Express.

Embedded Software Development Consultant — University of Calgary (Faculty of Environmental Design)

January 2010 — May 2010 · Calgary, Canada

Development lead within a small multi-disciplinary team creating an inspiring exterior architectural facade. The project involved creating a matrix of synchronized mechanical apertures to contort light in interesting and organic ways.

Open Source & Community

- **Feathers.js** — Maintainer of the popular real-time, micro-service web framework
- **DeliciousDB** — Creator
- **YYC.js** — Founder of Calgary's JavaScript meetup group