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WORK EXPERIENCE

itbey Co.

Lagos, NGA

Managing Partner/Software Engineer

October 2021 – Present

- Lead development and delivery of 40+ custom web applications across multiple industries, translating business needs into scalable, production-ready solutions.
- Architect and build responsive, high-performance websites and products using modern technologies, improving load times by up to 60% and enhancing usability and overall user experience using JavaScript/TypeScript, React, Next.js, PHP, and WordPress.
- Collaborate directly with clients and stakeholders to identify business needs, define product requirements, and implement features that increased website traffic by up to 635% and reduced bounce rates by as much as 95%.
- Establish and maintain long-term client relationships, providing ongoing support, optimization, and technical guidance to ensure continuous product improvement and reliability.

Nigerian Chamber of Shipping

Lagos, NGA

IT/Communications

May 2018 – September 2021

- Led digital transformation initiatives by designing and implementing custom internal tools and workflows, reducing operational costs by 45%–70% while improving overall organizational efficiency.
- Redeveloped and managed the organization's website, delivering new features and performance optimizations that drove a 325% increase in digital growth and lead generation across web and social channels.
- Engineered a custom membership management web application for in-house use, eliminating reliance on third-party software, saving approximately \$2,000–\$3,000 in monthly costs, and improving service delivery through closer collaboration with leadership and stakeholders.

Nuropel Africa Ltd.

Lagos, NGA

IT Projects

January 2015 – February 2018

- Developed and delivered 20+ web development and design projects for the organization and external clients using JavaScript, PHP, and WordPress, ensuring responsive, cross-browser compatibility and improved user experience.
- Translated client requirements into high-converting digital solutions, improving user engagement and supporting measurable business outcomes across multiple projects.
- Managed relationships with 20+ clients and stakeholders, serving as primary support contact to resolve issues, prevent regressions, and reduce website downtime by up to 98%.

LEADERSHIP EXPERIENCE

Semantic Release / Open Source

Los Angeles, CA

Maintainer

July 2024 – Present

- Maintain and contribute to a widely adopted open-source release automation tool used in production environments, with 2M+ weekly downloads, 23K+ GitHub stars, and 250+ contributors.
- Led modernization efforts across the semantic-release ecosystem by migrating plugins from CommonJS to ESM, reducing bundle sizes while maintaining full functionality, alongside revamping documentation, recruiting a new external committer, and supporting the global contributor/consumer community.

Jargons.dev / Open Source

Lagos, NGA

Creator/Lead Maintainer

March 2024 – Present

- Created and maintain Jargons.dev, an open-source developer dictionary with 50+ GitHub stars and 30+ contributors, onboarding 20+ first-time contributors into open source.
- Designed and implemented AI-powered features including Word Follow-up Chat with jAI and Search with jAI, enhancing knowledge discovery and significantly improving user experience on the platform.

EDUCATION

National Open University of Nigeria

Lagos, NGA

B.Sc. in Computer Science (GPA: 4.3 / 5.0)

Graduation Date: June 2019

- Developed a Web Application for Management of Students Complaints (using HTML/CSS/JavaScript, PHP and MySQL) in fulfilment of the requirement for the award of my degree.

SKILLS & INTERESTS

Skills: JavaScript/TypeScript | React | Next.js | Node.js | PHP | WordPress | MySQL | PostgreSQL | Git/GitHub.

Interests: Open Source, Speaking at Conferences, Go (learning), Sports, Music, Fitness.