Cover Letter - Matthew Curry



**A little bit about me:**

I am a father of 3 autistic boys, ages 12,11,10... A handful...

I have been in the industry for over 23 years in enterprise support. Mostly as a contractor, however the last few years I have only entertained permanent roles for family reasons.

I was just laid off due to the **war in the Ukraine,** our company was heavily affected.

I have experience in OnPrem/Cloud/Hybrid/HSE Environments, and come from an operations background. I have experience in helping create on premises versions of SaaS products for HSE/Govt/Large Corporations. I am known amongs my colleagues for taking on the ‘impossible’ tasks; or for handling those that others have failed multiple times on.

**Here is more about me and my skills:**

* <https://www.mattcurry.com/about-me>
	+ Just a little about my personal life.
* <https://www.mattcurry.com/technologies>
	+ Technologies I am familiar with (not a complete list).
* <http://www.mattcurry.com/about-me/recommendations-and-references/>
	+ A few references (request contact details if needed)

**Location:**

Currently I am in Hillsboro, Texas 76645.

However, this is **temporary** and I will be moving soon depending on the role I take.

**I am open to the following scenarios:**

Fully Remote

Hybrid/On-Site:

* Denver, Colorado Area
* Dallas, Tx Area

Thank you for your consideration,

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**MATTHEW CURRY**

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**Career Objective**

To bring frictionless efficiency to the business. With a focus on the DevOps philosophy.

**Summary of Qualifications**

* Over 20 years of real world experience
* Experience at scale of infrastructures for FORTUNE 100 companies as well as startups
* CI/CD Results Driven with a heavy DevOps Philosophy
* Implementation of 12 factor Applications, as well as Monolithic Architecture
* Cloud, Data Center, and On Premises Experience
* Configuration management with heavy automation (Ansible/Chef/Puppet/Terraform)
* Focus on automation that saves time and money for the business
* Experience with architecture for customer build outs
* Experience with on-site customer education
* Experience in a SCRUM/Waterfall environments
* Management of teams and projects at scale (BP, Ingram, and others)
* Research and Development and Proof of Concept implementations (Implemented many cost savings solutions from results of the POC’s)

**Technical Skills Inventory**:

AWS, Configuration Managements (Ansible/Puppet/Chef), CI/CD,DevOps,Automation, BASH, Python, MongoDB, Influx, Oracle, Terraform, Cloud Formation,Azure,Apache, Pig, Hive, Azkaban, Kubernetes, Rally. [**More listed here.**](http://www.mattcurry.com/technologies/)

**Work History**

Brightfin - Denver, CO Feb 2021 - Aug 2023

Sr. DevOps Engineer

* Consolidated 3 companies IT backend during merger (Ukraine Based)
* Reverse Engineered many internal applications (due to lack of tribal knowledge and layoffs)
* Built out On Prem Installation for High Security Customers
* Enabled Ansible for Automation

NTT Data - Dallas,TX September 2021-Feb 2022

Digital Solution/Services Line Strategic Advisor

* Help customers navigate the multi-cloud world.
* Empower customers to use the cloud effectively out of the gate with established methodologies
* Enable customers to migrate their complex/legacy workloads the cloud
* Ensure they customer is setup with the right team of people and using the right technology
* Work to guarantee the customer fully understands the costs, and their origins.

Brierley & Partners - Frisco, TX March 2019 – Jul 2021

Principal Multi-Cloud Architect

* Re-Architect of .Net Application for Cloud Native / SaaS Model
* Deployed SaaS application in a global / multi-cluster Kubernetes Environment
* Updated SDLC to be deployable across different clusters geographically
* Research and Development of micro-service application candidates
* Vetting of all architecture to ensure cloud-agnostic guidelines are followed (multiple teams)
* Educated/Trained existing employees with cloud native initiatives

Tech Spa - Dallas, TX (Contract) Feb 2018 - Mar 2019

Sr. DevOps / Cloud Architect

* Client Project Architect (Multi-Cloud / Physical)
* Designed/Built Large Fully Automated Infrastructure for 3000+ Custom Linux Devices
* Architect of a way to manage 3000+ devices behind unknown firewalls nationally
* Adapted Code for I2C, and multi-cloud operation
* Train Clients on 12C / Revision Control

Capital One - Plano, TX (Contract) Jul 2017 - Feb 2018

Sr. DevOps Architect

* Migrated Jenkins to GitLab-CI
* Developed Secure RPM Management method using Gitlab-CI
* Integrated NFS internal repositories
* Ansible upgrades to GitLab-CI Environment

Cisco - Dallas, TX (Contract) Feb 2017 - Jul 2017

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Lightstream - Denver, CO (Contract) Oct 2016 - Feb 2017

Sr. DevOps Architect

* Architect Client Cloud Infrastructure
* Improved Automation/Efficiency
* Setup cloud agnostic POC
* R&D IoT Security
* R&D IoT Streaming Analytics

Welltok Inc - Denver, CO Aug 2015 - Oct 2016

Sr. Cloud Operations Engineer

* Implemented ChatOps Automation
* Migrated and merged configuration management
* Implemented cost-savings scripts (Auto shutdown of non-essential AWS services after hours)
* POC Kubernetes with DEIS
* Autotagging/MongoDB project
* Complete migration from EC2 Classic to VPC in production

Comcast (Contract) - Denver, CO Mar 2015 - Aug 2015

Sr. DevOps Engineer

* Implemented DevOps Philosophy
* Improved the CAAP3 development iteration times from 4+ hours to 20 minutes
* Fixed configuration management (Puppet) sprawl, and rewrote the manifests with an ENC
* Deployed Jenkins with ELK to allow self-service of the developers

Ingram Content Group (Contract) – La Vergne, TN \_ Jan 2014 – Mar 2015

Sr. Linux Engineer/Lead

* Automation of VMware/OVM/XEN/KVM Builds

Project: Mainframe Re-hosting

* Led project to rehost the existing mainframe on Oracle Tuxedo
* Trained existing employees on CI/CD, Linux, Devops Philosophy, Revision Control (git)
* Implemented CI/CD Tools (Atlassian Stack - On Prem) in Production
* Built out all environments (Dev/Staging/Prod/S2)
* Saved the company roughly $1,000,000 per year in mainframe maintenance alone
* Managed several team interactions
* Managed vendors (40+) in this project
* Fully Automated ability to add nodes to the Mainframe Rehost cluster (Kickstarter/Puppet)

SKOPOS Financial (Contract)- Irving, TX May 2013 – Jan 2014

DevOps/Linux Engineer

* Architecture/Design
* Implemented the DevOps Concept
* Designed/Implemented Continuous Integration
* Fully automated the build process
* Scripting/Automation for daily tasks (Mostly in Jenkins)

Verizon Business (Contract)- Richardson, TX \_ Aug 2012 – May 2013

Systems Administrator (Exalogic/Exadata)

* Administer Exalogic Oracle Environments
* ZFS Appliance Maintenance
* Completed whitepaper resolving bug with Oracle ZFS appliance
* Implemented/Supported CI/CD Software
* Deploy Quarterly Patches in all environments
* Monitor/Update OEM – Monitoring Software
* Setup KB to help improve processes, and design/deployed desktop VM to allow for interconnectivity of multiple networks at the same time from the same machine.

S.T.O.P. LLC (Contract)- Houston, TX Mar 2012 – Jul 2012

Linux Administrator/Systems Administrator

* Administer and troubleshoot Linux/Windows Server
* Deploy/Work with VMWare
* VMWare Tuning
* Network Mapping/Tuning

BP OIL (Contract)- Houston, TX (BP SOC) Nov 2011 – Mar 2012

SOC Analyst I

* Responsible for monitoring multiple security technologies using the ArcSight Security Information and Event Management (SIEM) tool to detect IT security incidents.
* Following detailed operational process and procedures to appropriately analyze, escalate, and assist in remediation of critical information security incidents.
* Administer Linux Desktops

Hostgator.com- Houston, TX Mar 2011 – Nov 2011

Linux Security Administrator

Administered and Troubleshoot

* Administered  and Troubleshoot Linux systems (CentOS/Debian),
* Troubleshoot and Tuned Apache, MySql & PHP
* Managed Container Management, Container Tuning
* Find/Removing Shells/Malicious Code in user accounts, Bash Scripting, Server Monitoring, Restoring Accounts, OS Reloads
* Increased customer response rates from 8% to 38%

MattCurry.Com- Houston, TX \_ Sep 2010 – Mar 2011

Owner

* Consultation/Support for small business/enterprise clients
* Licensing Savings Model
* Linux Architecture
* Cloud Migrations

 cPanel of Texas- Houston, TX Aug 2009 - Sep 2010
Linux Software Analyst
Troubleshoot, and resolve any server/cPanel related issues.

* Submit Bug Fixes
* Administer Linux/BSD server
* Troubleshoot customer setups/software
* Analysis of code issues with customer deployments