

Summary

Senior Frontend Engineer with 10+ years of experience building scalable web applications and shared UI platforms. Specializes in React/TypeScript architecture, performance and reliability, design-system-minded UI development, and developer tooling. Strong track record delivering growth and onboarding experiences, raising engineering standards through mentorship and reviews, and partnering with product/design to ship measurable improvements.

Relevant Experience

Dropbox (Remote)

Senior Software Engineer

May 2022 – Present

- Lead frontend architecture and implementation for growth and onboarding in Dropbox Dash, partnering with Product/Design to improve activation and adoption.
- Build reusable React/TypeScript abstractions (routing, state, data fetching) that reduce duplication and enable consistent UX across teams.
- Drive performance improvements using profiling, code-splitting, and caching; optimize critical user flows for responsiveness and reliability.
- Design resilient client-side data patterns (async orchestration, error handling, offline/restore via browser storage) for fast, predictable experiences.
- Develop internal tooling (scripts/CLIs) to streamline local dev, debugging, and release workflows; reduce friction for other engineers.
- Use AI-assisted workflows to accelerate prototyping, testing, and repetitive engineering tasks while maintaining code quality and safety.
- Mentor engineers through design reviews, code reviews, and pairing; raise the bar on frontend standards, accessibility, and maintainability.

PNC Bank – Miamisburg, OH

Software Engineer

September 2019 – May 2022

- Designed and built enterprise Angular applications in collaboration with business and technical stakeholders.
- Developed RESTful APIs using .NET Core to support frontend applications.
- Mentored developers across teams, improving code quality and development practices.
- Contributed to scalable architecture decisions for enterprise-level systems.

Hyland Software – Westlake, OH

Software Engineer

January 2014 – September 2019

- Built modern web applications using Angular and ASP.NET.
- Helped onboard and support multiple teams adopting Angular frameworks.
- Developed and maintained production-level web clients.

Software Development Intern

Summer 2012, Summer 2013

- Built applications using ASP.NET, C#, JavaScript, HTML, and CSS.
- Developed internal prototypes used within Hyland's software suite.
- Worked with XSLT transformations and data processing tools.

Education

Ohio University – Athens, OH

Bachelor of Science in Computer Science

December 2013 • GPA: 3.3

Technical Skills

Languages & Frameworks:

React, TypeScript, JavaScript, HTML, CSS, Angular

Frontend & Architecture:

Performance Optimization, Rendering & Profiling, Data Fetching & Caching, State Management, Error Handling, Browser Storage, Accessibility (a11y), Component Architecture, Testing Strategy

Tools:

Git, Chrome DevTools, Storybook, Jest, React Testing Library, Playwright/Cypress, ESLint, Prettier, Vite/Webpack, Visual Studio Code

Projects

Portfolio: www.rkara.us

Honors

Eagle Scout – Boy Scouts of America

- Led renovation of a community storage facility including lighting, shelving, and structural improvements