

Steve Keator

Senior Full Stack Developer and Technical Architect

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Remote roles and contract engagements

Professional Summary

Senior full-stack developer and technical architect building React and React Native applications, integrating business systems and leading engineering delivery. Brings more than two decades of web development experience to hands-on implementation, architecture, code review and data integration. Uses AI-assisted engineering with experienced technical review.

Core Skills

React, React Native, Next.js, JavaScript, TypeScript and Vue; Node.js, Python and PHP; REST APIs, JSON:API and Salesforce integration; data consolidation, processing and warehousing; data modeling and migration pipelines; SDLC, code review, PRD acceptance, testing and deployment automation; Drupal 7–11, Backdrop CMS, WordPress and CiviCRM; Section 508, WCAG and USWDS; Pantheon, Acquia Cloud and Linux.

Selected Recent Project Work

Aivre | Early 2026–Present, dedicated since May: Lead delivery coordination across five developers and five codebases spanning React, React Native and Node.js. Review TypeScript PRs against PRDs. Release and testbed automation remain in progress.

SHOP Companies | 2025–2026: Contributed to a front-end overhaul with refreshed page layouts and new components. Built an Editorial section for stories assembled with reusable Paragraphs components. A Drupal 10 to 11 migration is in progress.

Professional Experience

Principal Consultant in Web and Mobile Application Development and Architecture

Stephen Keator | Aug 2025–Present

- Build and maintain web and mobile applications with React, React Native, Next.js and Drupal for recurring client engagements.
- Own the software development lifecycle (SDLC), from architecture and implementation through API integration, release and maintenance.

Technical Architect and Senior Drupal Developer

BLN24 | Oct 2024–Apr 2025

- Directed technical analysis and optimization of government Drupal 10 platforms, focusing on accessibility, performance, and maintainability.
- Supported Section 508 and USWDS 3.8 implementation through architecture documentation and code-review processes.

Technical Architect

Arch Systems / Independent Contractor | Remote | Jun 2024–Oct 2024

- Led technical delivery for an eight-person team rebuilding and migrating the NIH Clinical Center website in Drupal 10.
- Designed content models, custom Paragraph types, and role-based editorial workflows; oversaw external data integrations.
- Managed development through launch and stakeholder reporting; produced written documentation, video tutorials, and administrator training for NIH staff.

Professional Experience Continued

Developer and Technical Consultant

BackOffice Thinking | Remote | Apr 2023–Jun 2024

- Delivered full-stack builds and enhancements using Drupal, Backdrop CMS, WordPress, and CiviCRM, including custom modules and Salesforce integrations.
- Created a repeatable Drupal 7-to-Backdrop migration process and automated deployment pipelines on Pantheon and Linux environments.

Senior Developer

Elevated Third | Remote | Mar 2022–Feb 2023

- Led full-cycle Drupal development, including PHP 7-to-8 upgrades and custom functionality.
- Mentored junior developers, supported project planning and client communication, and participated in developer hiring.

Selected Engineering and Web Development Roles

Hathway; Esteemed Inc.; Apex Systems; Fruition; Chronos Interactive; UBM; New York State Senate; Sunmark Credit Union, formerly Sunmark FCU; Mannix Marketing; Media Logic.

- Delivered Drupal and JavaScript builds for national brands and agencies, integrating REST and JSON:API back ends with React and Vue front ends.
- Panda Express: Led the website rebuild, including responsive front-end implementation and custom API integration.
- Charles Schwab: Led in-house development of a custom Drupal learning platform used by more than 25,000 employees; built a Node.js site-wide WCAG scanner with Axe-Core, headless Chrome and CSV reporting, plus a Drupal module for in-page editorial review.
- New York State Senate: Migrated more than 100,000 content nodes from Drupal 6 to Drupal 7 and built a PHP/Drupal content-comparison and preview tool for editorial review; implemented batch-generated HTML bill views, refreshed when underlying legislative data changed, to avoid redundant Drupal page rendering.
- Sunmark Credit Union: Led a WordPress website overhaul with the marketing team, adapting the design to the credit union's brand; built device-aware product landing pages and used analytics and targeted drip campaigns to support member acquisition and lending-product marketing.
- Mannix Marketing: Developed custom CMS, class scheduling and payment functionality for the Sisters of St. Joseph of Carondelet; designed and developed a service-ticketing system for The Dwyer Group, integrating ZorWare franchisee ticketing, Authorize.net payments and Best Buy's Active Directory via LDAP.
- Media Logic: Served as lead developer for the Zeitgeist & Coffee social media management application, primarily responsible for back-end development.

Certification

Acquia Certified Drupal 9 Developer | 2022