Charles Coughenour

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Charles Coughenour is a Principal Software Engineer with ten years of experience implementing cloud-native solutions with complex architectural requirements. Using cloud first designs while securely exposing APIs implemented in applications to maximize value delivered.

Skills

Languages/Frameworks

Java, TypeScript, JavaScript, Python, NodeJS, Angular, SQL, Stored Procedures, XML, YAML, CFT, JSON, HTML, CSS, Spring Boot, Liquibase, BASH Scripting, C++, Struts, Spring

Enterprise Technologies

Amazon Web Services Stack (ECS, Fargate, Lambda, CloudWatch, S3, CloudFormation, IAM, KMS, ELB, VPC), Docker, Apache ActiveMQ, RabbitMQ, IBM MQ, IBM Web Application Server, MDB, EJB, JDBC, CI/CD Delivery (Atlassian Stack, AWS CodePipeline), Apache Log4j, REST, SOAP, Pivotal Cloud Foundry (PCF), Splunk

Database Systems

IBM DB2, AWS RDS, AWS DynamoDB, MySQL, Sybase, MongoDB

Operating Systems

macOS, IBM AIX, RedHat Enterprise Linux, Linux (Various Free Distributions), Windows Operating Systems (Various Consumer and Server Versions)

Tools

Eclipse/RAD, IntelliJ IDEA, Atlassian Toolset (JIRA, Confluence), Git/GitHub, Subversion, CVS, Microsoft VSCode, BMC BladeLogic, Ant Build Tools, Standard Unix Tools (GNU toolchain, Shell utilities, Application versioning, System diagnostics)

Experience

Product Agnostic Framework – User Interface

Principal Software Engineer | Liberty Mutual | 2020-2022

- Implemented a Java Spring Boot Service hosted in PCF exposing REST API Endpoints for the nested NodeJS application to dynamically screen structuring product rules and premium results
- Architected TypeScript class design to use Formly JSON results to render the user interface on the fly regardless of product type, product definition, or premium results
- Segmented microservice architecture allows for the Product Agnostic Framework Micro UI to be loaded into any parent product requiring adaptation of complex product with iterative development over two years with CI/CD Practices utilizing tools such as GitHub, Bamboo, and JIRA

Product Agnostic Framework – Data Capture Service Principal Software Engineer | Liberty Mutual | 2021-2022

- Implemented a Java Spring Boot Service hosted in PCF the generates business rules to be applied to a product definition based upon Product Owner/Underwriter product definitions, allowing a product definition to be iteratively updated without developer intervention
- Microservice patterns adapt a single MySQL database to store a defined product after any application calls a products REST API, and returns an updated product definition JSON with use case specific product details
- Technical Lead Role responsible for coordinating with other Technical Leads in our scaled agile framework for iterative design and responsible scaling capabilities

Containerization of Rating Calculator

Senior Software Engineer | Liberty Mutual | 2020-2021

- Architected a secure public cloud design of a containerized rating calculator at a fraction of the cost of implementing in place while abstracting the rating requestor, allowing for future use across entire portfolio
- Implementing the CGI Calculator within a Docker container, using CloudFormation Templates a Fargate instance was Deployed into ECS with ELBs, VPCs, RDS Calculator Database Solution, Liquibase Database Loads, secured with IAM Roles, Boundaries, using KMS for Encryption, S3 Storage Solutions for calculator results, and CloudWatch for Monitoring/Alerting
- Engineering complex requirements while quickly failing forward, CI/CD Practices utilizing tools such as GitHub, Bamboo, and JIRA were used to consistently deploy the architecture as code and test the application at scale

See Send Georgia Implementation

Solutions Engineer | My Mobile Witness | 2020-2021

Senior Software Engineer | Liberty Mutual | 2019-2020

Senior Software Engineer | Liberty Mutual | 2018-2019

- Conceptualized application future state with cloud-native design patterns using AWS Lambda, RDS, CloudWatch, and S3 approved by the CIO, CEO, CFO, and Technical Leads
- Architected Georgia Specific solution within current design and time constraints with Technical Leads, building out an AWS CodePipeline CI/CD pipeline for the Elixir on EC2 and Apache ActiveMQ Solution
- Tech Leads are architecting within the cloud-native guidelines provided to reduce downtime, cost, and security exposure

Product Agnostic Framework – Rating Service

- Implemented a Java Spring Boot Service hosted in PCF that exposes REST API Endpoints for requests with JSON
 objects to be calculated through an Excel table-based rating engine with results stored in a dedicated MySQL
 Database
- Implementing an Excel based solution with input and output data around REST API Endpoints allows for an underwriter developed rating engine for insurance products
- Technical Lead Role on an agile team working with Product Owners to develop a reusable microservice capable of abstracting business logic from the code and into the Excel Rating Engine to reduce developer overhead and increase organizational efficiency

Containerization of IBM WebSphere Application

- Implementation of large scale on-premises IBM WebSphere Application Server application (6 Application Servers) int Docker containers hosted on AWS EC2 Containers, with supporting migration of IBM DB2 onto DB2 on EC2, and IBM MQ to IBM WMQ to improve performance
- Overhauled legacy application areas (struts/spring configuration, shared libraries, JavaScript) to be cloud compliant, Log4j redirected into Splunk, with secrets injected through the Bamboo CI/CD Pipeline
- Provided Proof of Concept for implementing free technologies (ActiveMQ Solution, RabbitMQ Solution, Stored Procedure Rewrites) but was directed to use IBM Technologies to save time effort.

Education

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Keene State College | B.S., Applied Computer Science | GPA 3.87