

SHELTER SIBANDA

FULL-STACK LARAVEL DEVELOPER

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SUMMARY

Results-driven Full-Stack Developer with 2+ years of experience building secure, scalable, and maintainable web applications. Strong expertise in Laravel, with hands-on experience creating migrations, seeders, models, controllers, and RESTful APIs. Proficient in React.js and modern front-end practices including Inertia.js, TailwindCSS, and component-driven development. Skilled at collaborating in lean, developer-focused teams, contributing to well-tested features through both test-driven and iterative approaches. Adept at turning ERD diagrams and Figma designs into functional, production-ready software while maintaining clean, reusable code. Passionate about delivering high-quality solutions, learning new tools in the Laravel ecosystem, and contributing immediately to projects within focused, fast-paced environments.

TECHNICAL SKILLS

- **Languages:** PHP 8, JavaScript (ES6+), Typescript.
- **Frontend:** Blade Templates, Vue.js, HTML5, CSS3, Tailwind CSS, Bootstrap.
- **Backend:** Laravel, RESTful API development, Redis & Queue management.
- **Database:** MySQL schema design & optimization, Query Optimization.
- **API Development:** API integration (Clickatell, Brevo), JSON handling, Paystack (Payment Gateway, Subscription Billing, Payouts), Paypal.
- **Authentication & Security:** role-based access control (Laravel Spatie), HTTPS best practices.
- **DevOps & Tools:** Docker, Git (GitHub/GitLab workflows), Deployment & server management (LEMP stack, AWS, DigitalOcean) Bitbucket.
- **Additional Tools & Workflows:** Homebrew, Composer, Valet, TablePlus, Artisan CLI, Postman, VS Code, Linux Terminal, Sublime Merge, Jira & Confluence, OpenLayers (Map Integration),
- **Testing & Debugging:** Laravel Debugbar, PHPUnit, Laravel Dusk, Error Logging, Xdebug, Manual testing & test case writing.

SOFT SKILLS

- Proactive problem-solver and adaptable to new technologies.
- Good interpersonal skills.
- Ability to collaborate well in a diverse team.
- Able to work under pressure.
- Attention to Detail, Fast learner.
- Ability to work in a team and independently.

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Nov 2023 - Feb 2025

PHP Full-Stack Developer

Racvert (Pty) Ltd

- Designed, developed, and maintained scalable, high-performance web applications using PHP (Laravel), following clean architecture principles.
- Built dynamic and responsive user interfaces using Vue.js and Bootstrap, significantly improving usability and engagement across multiple platforms.

- Engineered efficient, normalized MySQL database schemas and optimized complex queries for high-volume data handling and reporting.
- Integrated third-party and internal RESTful APIs, ensuring smooth, secure communication between front-end and back-end systems.
- Applied Test-Driven Development (TDD) and PHPUnit to ensure robust, maintainable, and reliable code throughout the software lifecycle.
- Implemented fine-grained, secure Role-Based Access Control (RBAC) using Laravel Spatie Permissions, supporting multi-tenant and hierarchical user roles.
- Actively collaborated in cross-functional teams to gather business requirements, resolve critical issues, and deliver tailored software solutions on time.

EDUCATION

SOFTWARE DEVELOPMENT CERTIFICATE

Feb 2019 - Dec 2019

Richfield College

- Major in Web Development.

National Diploma In Information Technology

Feb 2020 - May 2023

ERichfield College

- Major in Software Development.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

- **Languages:** English.
- **Certifications:** [Problem Solving Certificate](#), [React.js Certificate](#), [Version Control Certificate](#), [Principles of UX/UI Design](#), [Programming with Javascript](#).

REFERENCE

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