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SUMMARY

Staff-level engineer, 10+ years in production CI/CD, Kubernetes, secrets, and IaC, now specialized in integrating AI agent workforces into existing SDLCs to accelerate engineering output. I bring the methodology and a working reference implementation; your platform stays yours.

Recent: sustained 35+ merged PRs/day, majority AI-authored, during a release sprint; shipped a multi-phase paying client engagement end-to-end through the pipeline. The skill is AI workflow design that bolts on - not a replacement. Operator gates stay where you put them.

WHAT I BRING

- AI agent workforce design - role-separated agents on whatever Git host, CI runner, and secret backend you already use.
- Multi-layer parallel code review. Latency = slowest auditor (minutes), not sum of human reviewers (hours-to-days).
- Per-agent identity + zero-trust governance - distinct user, secret scope, ServiceAccount per agent. Same primitives your security team already uses for humans.
- HMAC-based intent verification defends privileged AI calls against prompt injection - direct analog of the human-MFA step in regulated pipelines.
- Cross-repo reconciliation - cron-driven canonical workflow propagation and branch-protection enforcement; drift auto-reverted.
- Persistent post-incident learning - lessons load into every future agent session, operational immediately rather than rotting as docs.

EXPERIENCE

Founder & AI Platform Architect

2025-Present

Independent platform engineering

- Built and operate an AI-orchestrated delivery platform as a working reference implementation using Gitea, Kubernetes, Vault, and Argo CD.
- Sustained 35+ merged PRs/day across multiple repositories (500+ PRs in 15 days, zero outages) using operator gates and per-agent identity.
- Delivered the first paying client engagement end-to-end, including Helm charts, GitOps manifests, smoke tests, and runbooks - all AI-authored.
- Designed and implemented:
 - Multi-layer review pattern
 - HMAC-based intent verification
 - Cross-repo reconcilers
- Authored an ADR that retired ~70% of platform scaffolding mid-sprint without disrupting an active client.

Senior Software Engineer (DevOps / Platform)

2022-Present

Large bank, regulated environment

- Designed and maintained Helm charts for deployment across multiple OpenShift clusters.
- Containerized applications using Docker and Kubernetes.
- Developed Ansible playbooks for automation of observability efforts.
- Automated deployment testing with Python and Bash.
- Integrated CyberArk and HashiCorp Vault for secrets management.
- Monitored deployed applications with Grafana, AppDynamics, and Kibana.
- Managed Harness pipelines via API integrations.

Co-Founder / DevOps Engineer

2014-Present

Small infrastructure consultancy

- . Led data center deployment and maintenance.
- . Designed and deployed multi-tenant infrastructure using Terraform and Ansible.
- . Designed and maintained CI/CD pipelines.

DevOps Engineer

2021-2022

SaaS company

- . Built and maintained AWS-managed CI/CD pipelines.
- . Improved CDN performance and delivery optimization.
- . Implemented Python-based tool integration with Salesforce.
- . Implemented SSO/OIDC authentication systems.

SKILLS

AI Systems	Agentic Workflows, Agent Orchestration, LLM, State-machine workflows, Prompt Orchestration
CI/CD	Git Actions, Argo CD, Tekton, Harness
Platform IaC	Terraform, Ansible, Kubernetes, OpenShift, Proxmox
Cloud	AWS
IAM	OIDC, SAML, LDAP, RBAC
Observability	Grafana, Prometheus
Coding	Python, Bash, YML

EDUCATION & CERTIFICATIONS

- . B.S. Information Technology
- . AWS DevOps Engineer - Professional
- . AWS Solutions Architect - Professional
- . AWS Certified AI Practitioner (AIP-C01) - In Progress
- . Microsoft Azure AI Fundamentals (AI-900)
- . CertNexus Certified Artificial Intelligence Practitioner (CAIP)

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