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SUMMARY

8+ years building scalable SaaS, payment-adjacent, realtime, and IoT systems. Framework-agnostic with deep PHP fundamentals (PHP 8.x, OOP, SOLID, design patterns) and a strong track record of leading small, high-output teams through cycle-based delivery. End-to-end ownership: backend architecture, REST/OpenAPI design, Vue 3 / React with TypeScript, and production DevOps on Docker and CI/CD — from schema to UI.

EXPERIENCE

Team Lead · Senior Full Stack Developer [Quiet Light](#) CURRENT

- Leading a **3-engineer squad** modernizing legacy jQuery/Laravel applications.
- Cycle-based delivery: clear scope per cycle, daily async updates, end-of-cycle demos.

Lead Architect [Casatrade](#) PREVIOUS

- Built **gps.ge** from scratch — real-time GPS fleet monitoring platform processing **26,000+ concurrent device connections** (Laravel Octane, WebSockets, Redis, Vue 3, MySQL). The API powers fleet operations at **TBC Bank, Bank of Georgia, Coca-Cola, Pepsi, and Skytel**.
- Built the **Facility Access Control** platform from 0 — Laravel backend orchestrating MQTT-connected ESP32 controllers with NFC / Wiegand readers and Raspberry Pi edge devices running FastAPI. Deployed at **McDonald's** among others.
- Designed a Laravel Octane API serving **5+ internal applications**.
- Built internal products **Tempo Hub** (tempohub.casatrade.ge) and **MyClock** (myclock.casatrade.ge) from the first commit — schema, API, and Vue UI.

Founder / Operator [alldigital.ge](#) ONGOING

- Family-run Shopify digital-goods store operated end-to-end — catalog, payments, customer support, and infrastructure.

Open Source — Project Zomboid Server Manager github.com/trongio

- Self-hostable management panel for Project Zomboid servers — RCON integration, mod manager, Discord webhooks. Laravel + React + Docker, one-command bring-up.

STACK

BACKEND

PHP 8.x · Symfony · Laravel 8-12 · Octane · Reverb · Phalcon · Pure PHP

FRONTEND

Vue 3 · React · TypeScript · Inertia.js · Tailwind CSS · shadcn-vue

APIS

REST · OpenAPI / Swagger · Sanctum · JWT / OAuth · Versioning

DATA

MySQL · PostgreSQL · Redis · SQL tuning · Zero-downtime migrations

REALTIME

WebSockets · SSE · Laravel Echo · Laravel Reverb · MQTT

TESTING

PHPUnit · Vitest · Playwright (MCP) · TDD refactoring

DEVOPS

Docker · GitHub Actions · Linux · Oracle Cloud · DigitalOcean · CloudFlare

HARDWARE / IOT

ESP32 · Raspberry Pi · NFC / Wiegand · FastAPI edge

LANGUAGES: GEORGIAN (NATIVE) · ENGLISH (C1) · RUSSIAN (B1) · HACKERMAN.GE/CV