JULIAN MERCER

SENIOR FRONTEND DEVELOPER

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PROFESSIONAL SUMMARY

Senior Frontend Developer with 9+ years shipping performant, accessible React applications used by millions. Owns architecture decisions, design-system adoption, and Core Web Vitals work while mentoring engineers and partnering closely with design.

CORE SKILLS

React | TypeScript | Next.js | Web performance | Core Web Vitals | Design systems | Accessibility (WCAG) | Playwright | GraphQL | State management | Frontend architecture | Code review | Webpack and Vite | Mentoring

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Senior Frontend Developer Feb 2024 - Present
Atlassian, San Francisco, CA

- Led the frontend rebuild of a project-timeline view in React and TypeScript, increasing weekly active usage 17% after launch.
- Cut Largest Contentful Paint from 3.4 to 1.9 seconds through code splitting, image optimization, and server-rendered shells.
- Established frontend testing standards with Playwright and Testing Library, reducing escaped UI regressions 38%.

Frontend Developer Apr 2022 - Jan 2024
Airbnb, San Francisco, CA

- Built host-onboarding flows serving 2M annual sessions, improving step completion by 9% through clearer validation and state handling.
- Migrated 45 legacy class components to hooks and TypeScript, lowering production JavaScript errors 31%.
- Partnered with accessibility specialists to meet WCAG 2.1 AA on checkout screens, resolving 60 audit findings.

Frontend Developer Jul 2020 - Mar 2022
Dropbox, San Francisco, CA

- Established a shared component library in React and TypeScript, adopted by six product teams and cutting duplicate UI code by 35%.
- Reduced bundle size 28% through route-level code splitting and dependency audits, improving Largest Contentful Paint by 0.6 seconds.
- Mentored three junior developers through code review and pairing, supporting two promotions within 18 months.

Web Developer Aug 2018 - Jun 2020
HubSpot, Cambridge, MA

- Developed CRM dashboard widgets in React, shipping eight customer-requested features across four quarters.
- Built a charting component library used by six product teams, reducing duplicated visualization code.
- Improved form usability with inline validation, decreasing support contacts about failed submissions 22%.

Junior Web Developer Jun 2017 - Jul 2018
Mailchimp, Atlanta, GA

- Built responsive campaign-editor screens in JavaScript and Sass, passing cross-browser review on Chrome, Safari, and Firefox.
- Fixed 50 front-end bugs from the support backlog, lowering repeat visual defect reports by about a quarter.

EDUCATION

B.S. in Computer Science, University of Massachusetts Amherst, Amherst, MA

CERTIFICATIONS

Google Web Performance Fundamentals | IAAP Web Accessibility Specialist (WAS)