

THOMAS BOVÉ

Senior Full Stack Developer | Web Application Architect | Technical Consultant

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PROFESSIONAL SUMMARY

Senior full-stack web developer and technical consultant with 20+ years of experience across agency, corporate, and consulting environments. Expertise in PHP, JavaScript, WordPress, custom web applications, databases, APIs, accessibility, security, and web infrastructure. Proven record of reducing technical debt, building reusable architecture, improving development workflows and operational reliability, and translating business and creative requirements into secure, maintainable digital products.

TECHNICAL SKILLS

LANGUAGES PHP, JavaScript, HTML5, CSS3, SQL, T-SQL, Python

CMS / FRAMEWORKS WordPress, Gutenberg, ACF, CodeIgniter, Drupal, Magento, Shopify, Gatsby/React, MVC

DATA / APIS MySQL, MariaDB, SQL Server, XML, JSON, API integrations, database-driven applications

INFRASTRUCTURE Apache, Linux/Unix, Windows Server, AWS, Rackspace, Cloudways, GoDaddy, cPanel, Plesk

ENGINEERING Custom themes/plugins, Gutenberg blocks, custom post types, taxonomies, AJAX, e-commerce, DevOps, ADA accessibility, security, performance

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Austin Williams — Senior Web Developer | Sep 2023–Present | Long Island, NY

- Architect, develop, and maintain web applications across WordPress, Magento, Shopify, Gatsby/React, and PHP/JavaScript frameworks for healthcare, financial services, and education clients.
- Engineer WordPress as an application platform using custom PHP, ACF/Gutenberg blocks, custom post types, taxonomies, and reusable components to reduce plugin dependencies and improve maintainability.
- Designed a modular ACF/Gutenberg block library and financial-rates management system, integrating a credit union's JSON API to deliver product-specific rates throughout its website.
- Modernized approximately 22 legacy websites for current PHP and dependency requirements, reducing technical debt and establishing repeatable maintenance practices across platforms and hosting environments.
- Manage approximately 90% of ongoing application maintenance and server-level development operations; helped implement staging and monitoring practices supporting 99.8% portfolio uptime over the past year.
- Partner with DevOps, design, and content teams on ADA accessibility and remediation; maintained a portfolio with zero reported security incidents since assuming responsibility.
- Mentor a junior developer on implementation decisions, troubleshooting, maintainability, and client-facing technical considerations.

One 18 Media — Senior WordPress Developer | Mar 2021–2023 | Long Island, NY

- Served as sole developer on new website builds within a portfolio of approximately 16 client sites, primarily serving education and e-commerce organizations.
- Established reusable development standards, a custom base theme, PHP utilities, and ACF Gutenberg blocks to streamline delivery and replace plugin-dependent functionality with maintainable code.
- Reduced average new-site development time by approximately 45% through reusable architecture and tooling; eliminated more than 24 third-party plugins from one client installation.
- Engineered a taxonomy-driven, four-location website architecture and a location finder with an administrative knowledge-base portal supporting more than 2,000 managed locations.
- Achieved a 1.5× improvement in page-load performance through front-end and implementation optimization.

DIAM International — Senior Full Stack Web Developer | Jul 2018–Nov 2021 | Melville, NY

- Developed and enhanced a company-wide intranet supporting manufacturing, warehousing, shipping and receiving, engineering, finance, and HR operations.
- Maintained an ERP-integrated application for tracking parts and completed products, troubleshooting database queries, performance bottlenecks, and data availability across multiple systems.
- Partnered with stakeholders across business departments to translate operational requirements into application enhancements, technical solutions, and ongoing support.
- Recognized for expanding technical and operational responsibility with an offer to become IT Manager after approximately three years.

Curran & Connors — Web Development Director | Aug 2013–Jul 2018 | Hauppauge, NY

- Promoted to Web Development Director within two years of joining a four-person development team, becoming a technical advocate and key liaison between web development and business stakeholders.
- Bridged development, sales, and project management by clarifying technical requirements, improving communication, and helping refine project workflows and delivery processes.
- Collaborated with two developers on coding standards and documentation while remaining hands-on with application architecture, implementation, and complex client work.
- Served as sole developer on demanding projects for Aetna, Anthem, and Piedmont Trust Company, spanning accessible WordPress experiences, interactive annual reports, and a multi-domain CodeIgniter application with authentication and personalized content.
- Engineered advanced front-end interactions using JavaScript, AJAX, History API (pushState) navigation, and custom animation to deliver application-like experiences within constrained hosting environments.

Curran & Connors — Senior Full Stack Developer, Contract | Sep 2019–Present | Hauppauge, NY

- Retained following full-time employment to maintain client applications and serve as a senior technical escalation resource for complex development and infrastructure issues.
- Troubleshoot application failures, SSL certificates, hosting configurations, deployments, and DevOps concerns across AWS, Rackspace, GoDaddy, and Cloudways environments.
- Advise clients on platform selection, application architecture, security, and compliance considerations while developing custom WordPress themes, plugins, Gutenberg blocks, and PHP/JavaScript interfaces.

PMG Strategic Marketing & Design Services — WordPress Developer / Consultant | 2022–2024

- Expanded an initial WordPress development engagement into additional website builds, legacy improvements, and technical consulting assignments.
- Developed custom themes, plugins, templates, and blocks, including a reusable theme enabling in-house staff to build and maintain simpler client websites independently.

Teachers Federal Credit Union — Web Developer | Mar 2004–Aug 2013 | Hauppauge, NY

- Developed and maintained public-facing and internal websites, serving as a technical liaison between Member Services and IT.
- Evaluated third-party technologies, coordinated with vendors, and translated business requirements into practical web solutions.

Eastern Suffolk BOCES — Adult Education Teacher | Mar 2008–Jun 2015 | Islip, NY

- Designed and delivered adult web-design instruction, adapting technical concepts to different skill levels and encouraging collaborative learning.

EDUCATION

- St. Joseph's College — Graduate Coursework Toward MBA, 9 credit hours (2007–2008)
- New Horizons Learning Center — Certificate, Graphic & Web Communications (2002–2004)
- Long Island University, Southampton — B.F.A., Painting & Printmaking, Magna Cum Laude (1995–1998)

PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

Self-directed study in coding design patterns, data structures, project management, HTML/CSS/JavaScript, and modern web development.