

# KAREN LOBIN PERKINS SOFTWARE ENGINEER

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## TECHNICAL SKILLS ▶

**FRONT END:** ReactJS, JavaScript, CSS, GraphQL, REST API, Accessibility, Sass/SCSS, React Context, WAI-ARIA, Gatsby, Styled Components, React Spring, Next.js, Apollo Client, CSS Frameworks

**BACK END:** Node.js, Django, Python, ExpressJS, MongoDB, MongooseJS, PostgreSQL, Heroku, Postman, OAuth, ERD/Database Design

**OTHER:** Git/Github, Adobe Photoshop, Markdown, Google Suite, Spanish Speaker, Remote Teams, SEO, Agile, Jira

## EDUCATION ▶

### General Assembly

Certificate Software Engineering Immersive 2020

### Georgia State University

BA Spanish for International Business

## EXPERIENCE ▶

### The Coop · Software Engineer

Dec. 2020 to Current

A mission-driven start-up helping career changers transition into Engineering and Design fields by providing them real world experience and mentorship, building products and working in Agile teams.

*ReactJS | WAI-ARIA | REST | Node.js | JavaScript | CSS | Styled Components | NoSQL*

- I spearheaded the front end design implementation for the *t.ux* product constructing a **styled component** library and overseeing the pixel perfect translation of **Figma** wireframes.
- I implemented **WAI-ARIA standards** on the product and **increased accessibility by 25%**.
- Working with the engineering manager, I am creating an onboarding process and workflow for new engineers.

### Jerry Lobin Process Service Inc · Operations Manager/Process Server

Mar. 2005 to May 2020

JLPS was the leader in service of civil process in Metro Atlanta, hand delivering civil suits and garnishments to individuals and companies according to local statute.

- I implemented a **training and mentoring system** for our outside contractors including conflict resolution and **empathy coaching** as well as education in state and local laws pertaining to service of civil process.
- I updated the in-office OS, network, and databases, jumping ten years of technical debt; and trained all office employees on the updated system.
- I practiced mediation and **conflict resolution** between employees, contractors, clients, court officials, defendants, and business representatives.

## PROJECTS ▶

### Despejado | Clear

A single-page, bilingual, weather app built in **ReactJS**. Using ReactJS and styled using **SCSS preprocessor**. Using ReactJS to conditionally render the target language, this app utilizes the OpenWeatherMapAPI and the Sunrise-SunsetAPI.

### Meet Your Maker

A full CRUD **MERN** app for local sale of goods. This team project employs AWS-SDK and Semantic UI. Each component is conditionally rendered to show the correct component display based on user's status as buyer, seller, or not logged in.

## ACTIVITIES ▶

### Atlanta Rowing Club/Quadrant Fitness · Rowing Instruction and Volunteering

June 2013 to Current

- I volunteer in timing and control commission at the second largest regatta in the U.S. working with referees, regatta officials, and third party timing software companies.
- Currently pursuing my Level 2 coaching certificate, I coach new rowers in Learn to Row classes and teach rowing classes at CrossfitQ4.
- I have competed in many Masters competitions including the Canadian Henley and the World's Masters Regatta.