REENA ABRAHAM

Laravel Developer

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Availability: Immediate | **Visa Status:** Spouse Visa

PROFESSIONAL SUMMARY

Proactive and results-driven Laravel Developer with 5+ years of experience building scalable, high-performance web applications and APIs. Proficient in Laravel and CodeIgniter frameworks, with strong skills in backend optimization, clean architecture, and designing secure, versioned APIs. Experienced with Laravel features such as Sanctum, queues, jobs, events, and Redis caching (basic level). Skilled in leading small teams within Agile/Scrum environments and collaborating with cross-functional teams to deliver high-quality, on-time solutions. Solid foundation in HTML and CSS, currently expanding full-stack expertise with Vue.js. Returning from a career break with renewed focus and determination to contribute impactful solutions to an innovative development team.

SKILLS

Languages	PHP, HTML/CSS
Frameworks	Laravel, CodeIgniter, Lumen, Vue.js (Learning)
Databases	MySQL
Tools & Platforms	Git, GitHub, Postman, VS Code
Others	RESTful APIs, API Versioning, AJAX, jQuery, Redis Caching (Basic)

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Career Break - Parental Leave   **Feb 2023 – Present**
Dubai, UAE

- Took a planned career break to care for my newborn while remaining actively engaged in technical learning and skill-building
- Key highlights during this period:
    * Maintained up-to-date knowledge of Laravel and CodeIgniter through personal projects and advanced tutorials
    * Started hands-on Vue.js practice to build modern, interactive front-end interfaces.
    * Built a basic CRUD application using the latest Laravel version for the backend and Vue.js for the frontend, gaining hands-on experience with API development, component-based UI, and seamless frontend-backend integration.

PHP Developer   **Dec 2022 – Jan 2023**
Lamp Media Tech, Dubai, UAE

- Engineered and deployed dynamic, high-performance websites using CodeIgniter and MySQL.
- Identified and addressed project scope creep through close coordination with project managers.
- Collaborated with front-end developers to ensure seamless integration of server-side logic with front-end design and UI.
- Partnered with the SEO team to identify and resolve performance bottlenecks, improving load speeds by 20%.

PHP Developer   **May 2019 – Jul 2022**
Alwafaa Group, Dubai, UAE

- Developed and maintained scalable web applications using Laravel 9 and CodeIgniter 3, applying MVC architecture and SOLID principles for clean and maintainable code.
- Led a team of 4 developers in an Agile/Scrum environment for an E-learning project, achieving a 98% sprint goal completion rate and meeting all deadlines without delay.

- Developed and maintained 10+ dynamic, user-centric web applications, ensuring high performance, security, and scalability across various client requirements.

- Created a unified backend system for the company's eCommerce platform, reducing admin time by 40%, resulting in faster product updates and improved efficiency.

- Integrated third-party APIs, including payment gateways and social media login (Google, Facebook), to enhance website functionality.

- Participated in product demos and feature showcases, effectively communicating technical implementations to business stakeholders.

- Used Laravel Sanctum for secure API authentication across various projects.

- Implemented custom and built-in auth middleware to manage user access and enhance security.

- Provided mentorship to 3 junior developers, supporting their technical growth and onboarding.

- Delivered 9+ RESTful APIs for mobile apps, accelerating mobile response times and reducing data errors.

Junior PHP Developer Jun 2015 – Apr 2018

Emvigo Technologies, Kerala, India

- Developed and maintained web applications using Laravel with Eloquent ORM and Query Builder for efficient and structured database operations.

- Involved in all stages of SDLC from requirements to deployment.

- Developed APIs using Laravel Lumen for microservices-based architecture, ensuring lightweight, high-performance services optimized for speed and scalability.

- Contributed 30% to software field testing efforts, validating and optimizing the performance and functionality of developed projects.

- Managed code versioning using Git and collaborated with team members on platforms such as GitHub, which reduced deployment time by 70%.

EDUCATION

Master of Computer Applications (MCA) 2011 – 2014

Mahatma Gandhi University *Kerala, India*

Bachelor of Computer Applications (BCA) 2008 – 2011

Mahatma Gandhi University *Kerala, India*

LANGUAGES

English	Professional Proficiency
Malayalam	Native
Hindi	Intermediate