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Languages: **English / Romanian**

Security Clearances: **Nil but able to obtain**

Previous/Current Employer: **Exabeam**

Previous / Current Position: **Principal Application Security Engineer**

Education / Certificates **OSEP OSWE CRTO OSCP**

Summary

Senior Application Security Engineer with 5 years' experience in a fully security orientated role, and 13 years' previous security experience in a mixed role (security, development and server management). I currently hold 3 Offensive Security certifications (OSEP, OSWE, and OSCP) as well as a ZeroPointSecurity certification (CRTO) which focuses on adversary simulation, active directory and command and control skills.

Seeking a challenging position, which will make best use of existing skills and expertise, whilst also providing opportunities for continuing professional development.

Key Skills

- Application and network penetration tests
- Privilege escalation and lateral movement
- Building custom exploits and automation scripts
- Antivirus and EDR bypass and evasion – custom payload development
- Experience with Python / Go / C# / Rust / PowerShell / PHP / Java
- Ability to communicate across different organisational layers, including C-level

Personal Projects / Interests

- Obtained OSEP - <https://www.credential.net/5de67395-5e1f-40fd-a316-ddfc60810655>
- Obtained OSWE - <https://www.credential.net/1b0f0c98-bc6b-4176-9222-acb11b055fb0>
- Obtained CRTO - <https://api.eu.badgr.io/public/assertions/tRkZsPUxRoyJGVAniUvOGA>
- Obtained OSCP – <https://www.credential.net/7e7557d0-d7b2-452a-a445-978fd3e80ba7>
- Continuous learning via HackTheBox (<https://app.hackthebox.eu/profile/324095>)
- Sharing knowledge and enticing others to join cybersecurity via streaming:
<https://www.twitch.tv/0xsyk0>
- Plans on extending my knowledge through further certifications such as OSED / CRTL

Commercial Experience

Exabeam (previously known as Logrhythm)

Principal Application Security Engineer

August 2021 – present

- Pentest and red team engagements
 - Running internal pentests on all the company's products
 - White box pentest approach
 - Code analysis for each product
 - Supply POCs and remediation steps to the engineering teams while re-testing once the fix is in place
 - Running red team engagements on a regular basis
 - Ran assumed breached red team engagements to allow the SOC team to develop better alerts and rules
 - Developed custom payloads to bypass antivirus and installed EDRs
 - Tested data exfiltration and lateral movement
 - Purple team engagements
 - Re-runs of previous red team engagements while on call with the SOC team to allow a step-by-step check of rules and alerts
 - Collaborating on rule and alert creation when and where it was required
 - Preparing payloads and C2 infrastructure
 - Writing C2 infrastructure as code (ansible) to allow easier deployment when required
 - Testing different C2 frameworks and the detection of them in the lab environment
 - Creating a lab environment to be able to test payloads (rust loaders, nim loaders) to bypass antivirus and EDRs (where possible)
- SAST / SCA / DAST
 - Managing the infrastructure required for internal scanning on all repositories with SAST/SCA/DAST tools
 - Managing integration between the tools and git repositories to allow PR scans and automated results submission to the engineering teams via communication platforms (Slack, Teams)
 - Triage of results and management of false positives
- AI
 - Developed an application that validates findings using AI, for true positives it creates a PR in Github with a proposed fix
- Misc
 - Collaborate with the engineering teams to include security first in the programming approach
 - Create data flow diagrams and process flow diagrams to aid in threat modelling

Plug and Play Design

Head of Technology

November 2014 – August 2021

- Infrastructure and hosting
 - Provisioned and maintained the hosting fleet (40 + dedicated servers, 30+ virtual servers) • Monitoring and incident response across the full range of servers
 - Developed internal tooling for automated tasks using Python, GoLang, Ansible, Terraform, and Packer
- Development and management
 - Travel industry – a VueJs driven front-end, connected to a Laravel back-end using an external API that provides the data (C# driven)
 - Charity – Managed a team of developers to provide a VueJS SPA and a Laravel backend in a short timeframe, integrating with third party services like Secure Trading, EazyCollect, and Podio (CRM)
 - Access Control industry – Managed the team of developers behind the website while creating a custom hosting infrastructure including Varnish caching.
 - Events industry – built the integration of a Wordpress site to Microsoft Dynamics CRM
 - Real Estate industry – Property and lease management application using Laravel, meant to be used by multiple individual landlords. Integrated the platform with third party services like Signable, GoCardless, Zoopla, and Stripe.
 - Real Estate industry – Built the integration of a Wordpress website to Zoopla and RightMove via DataFeed. • Key decision-maker on what technologies to be used for each project and instrumental in translating business needs into technical requirements.
 - Managed a team of 4-7 Software Developers
- Led and developed multiple projects in PHP with Laravel, Wordpress and Magento:
 - Retail industry – Magento ecommerce website, managing over 4,000 products. Developed complex scripts for the automation of continuous data-migration, to avoid downtime. Built the integration between the customer's ERP system, Sage200, to Magento.
 - SaaS ERP – built complex reporting using Java.
- Responsible for setup and maintenance of hosting servers using Centos 6/7 and WHM/cPanel and of a Nagios monitoring server.
- Retail industry - led and developed an ecommerce website using Magento. Implemented a custom pseudocode-to code translator, which allowed platform administrators to create complex price calculation formulas using multiple types of product variables.

Multiple organisations: Colt Technology Services, GiftsDirect, OSF Global Services, VanRoey Automation NV, Aim4Solution

Web Development (Java / PHP)

September 2008 – October 2014