

STEVEN LAGUARDIA

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Relocating to San Francisco

FORWARD DEPLOYED / SOLUTIONS ENGINEER

- Systems thinker and technical lead with 5 years on a large defense program — deploying and operating in air-gapped, security-controlled environments — now leading a core services team as scrum master.
- Looking for a fast-moving team relentlessly focused on solving customer problems — 0→1 or 1→n — where I work across architecture, integration, and product.

TECH

Kubernetes · Helm · Docker · GitLab CI · AWS · oauth2-proxy · Grafana · ELK · Postgres · SQL · Redis · ActiveMQ
Artemis · Next.js · React Native · Expo · Anthropic SDK · MCP · Claude Code

EXPERIENCE

Lockheed Martin Space — Valley Forge, PA / Colorado Springs, CO

Scrum Master / Core Services Lead

Dec 2024 – Current

- Lead the core services team that owns shared infrastructure for a 400+ person program — set architecture standards and drive sprint delivery
- Backbone for 10+ teams and hundreds of developers building and deploying their apps
- Procured and integrated Chainguard hardened images into the enterprise baseline; coordinate directly with Palantir on new platform integrations
- Provisioned and integrated CloudNativePG for program-wide Postgres database management; evaluate CNCF open-source tools and drive them through security review and compliance approval

Forward Deployed Engineer

Mar 2024 – May 2026

- Embedded on-site with the customer in Colorado Springs on a 2+ year assignment; led the home team remotely from PA
- Primary production-deployment POC at the site — bridged Test Squadrons and the Software Factory, turning operator feedback into prioritized capability development
- Trained developers across the program on integration practices, driving toward independent deployments

Integration & Test Engineer

Aug 2021 – Dec 2024

- Owned SRE and observability tooling across an air-gapped Kubernetes environment, enabling teams to diagnose and resolve production anomalies; established CI/CD standards adopted across the enterprise
- Primary integration engineer between Lockheed and Northrop data teams — validated architecture changes for production readiness and escalated delivery risks across company lines
- Deployed and maintained Kubernetes-based test environments; led test events and presented findings to program leadership

SELECTED PROJECTS

Playdate

Dec 2025

Co-founded and built a social events platform from scratch — product, architecture, infrastructure, App Store deployment. 4,000+ users, 5.0 rating.

Repstack — AI workout builder with a paid tier — LLM program parsing, natural-language editing

Feb 2026

brainbot — self-hosted app platform: shared pgvector brain over HTTP/MCP, SSO edge, PWA toolkit

Jun 2026

EDUCATION

The Pennsylvania State University — B.S. Engineering Science with Honors (GPA: 3.44)

May 2021