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Freelance and leadership technology consultant

I'm actively looking for freelance opportunities:

- Transformational organizational mentor
- Technical editor, writer, and eLearning
- Private and public workshop presenter
- App developer

I am passionate about helping software development/technology organizations better respond to customer and market needs. I also enjoy simplifying complex concepts in a variety of presentation and publication formats.



1. Agile project contracting, workshops, and eLearning

I offer the Soft-Audit assessment to initiate true organizational transformation for technology organizations. LSM has created public and customized private workshops.

My latest public workshop is The Secret Life of Successful Scrums.

Ken has written several books, including the popular *Managing Software Maniacs*, and created the informative, yet irreverent PM Chalkboard video shorts and eLearning courses.

2. Technical writing and creative design

In creating project leadership training, I learned how to create and edit material that produces results that resonates with the reader (even as a comix).

As the editor of *Better Software* magazine, I'm responsible for the entire editorial and production lifecycle. As a freelancer, I also provide contract editing services for noted agile practitioners.

3. Creative design + apps + gamification

Retention of learned material can be enhanced with the use of gamification. This unique approach uses familiar game mechanics to enhance retention of learning.

I'm developing The Nerd Herd Game as the only D-I-Y collaboration game consisting of an app with traditional board game components.

4. Apps for creative professionals

Ken uses the portable Xojo programming language to create the Spresso family of apps designed for the creative professional.

The first app to be released in 2017 is Spresso iVersionIt, an easy to use version backup tool for digital projects (ex: photographers).

Work History

Recent VP of software development roles:

- * Datalight (embedded software) 2006-2016
- * Mapframe (GE mobile GIS) 2005-2006
- * Solution (Truven Health) 2002-2005
- * Wireless Knowledge (QUALCOMM) 2001-2002
- * Mitchell International 1998-2001
- * USDATA (Siemens) 1993-1997

Education and certifications

- * Project Management Professional (PMP)
- * Certified ScrumMaster (CSM)
- * Adobe CC app certification (LinkedIn Learning)
- * VPI & SU, Master's program
(computer science and applications)
- * James Madison University, Bachelor's degree
(mathematics and fine arts)