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As one of the founders of the Open Source movement in software, I have played a significant role in creating the technological world we live in.

Receptive to executive board and C-level positions.

Outside Sources: Rather than what I write about myself, I would like you start with what other people think. Wikipedia: https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Bruce_Perens . There are many articles mentioning me which you can find via Google or any search engine.

Achievements:

Creator of the *Open Source Definition*, the legal framework universally used for Open Source licensing – although I am not a lawyer. I was the first to announce “Open Source” to the world and was one of the most visible promoters of Linux and Open Source. Co-founder of the Open Source Initiative. While Microsoft’s then-CEO called us “a cancer”, even Microsoft eventually joined in creating Open Source.

One of the creators of the 3-D animated feature film industry, at Pixar and its academic predecessor. Frequently interacted with Steve Jobs, credited on *Toy Story II* and *A Bug’s Life*, contributed to other animated and live-action films.

Invited Speaker at the *United Nations Summit on the Information Society*. Granted partial diplomatic immunity. Paid public speaker with many speeches worldwide.

Expert witness, intellectual property specialist, and instructor of Continuing Legal Education classes on Open Source and intellectual property.

Series Editor of *Bruce Perens’ Open Source Series*, 24 books on Open Source published by Prentice Hall PTR.

Operating systems kernel programmer, wrote microcode (a lower level than assembly) for the Pixar Image Computer, many other kinds of programmer.

Researcher for three universities.

Founded *No-Code International*. Successfully reformed an international treaty and ended testing on Morse Code proficiency for Radio Amateur licensing worldwide.

Background in communication arts (broadcasting, film, journalism, advertising), electronics and RF, software, intellectual property and licensing, management.

Notable Engagements:

LegalEngineering.com: 2002-present. Intellectual property consultancy concentrated on Open Source, mostly contracted through Bay Area law firms. \$450/hour. Resolve major copyright infringement in a tech company's main product *during their IPO*. Work for prestigious law firms and Fortune 100 companies.

Hewlett-Packard Corporation: Senior Global Strategist for Linux and Open Source, 2000-2002. Displaced by the Compaq merger. My exit was covered by the NY Times.

Pixar: 1987-1999, Senior Systems Programmer. Specialized in the hardware-to-software interface, designed computer language for image processing, studio tools programmer.

University of Agder, Kristiansand, Norway: 2006-2007, later visits. Under a three-year grant from the *Competence Fund of Southern Norway*, visiting lecturer and researcher. Consultant to Government of Norway on national policy, researcher on Open Source software and other issues, collaborator on Internet accessibility project.

George Washington University, Washington DC: 2002, Remote researcher for the *Cyber Security Policy Research Laboratory*, under director Tony Stanco while the regular director was on sabbatical.

Sourcelabs: Vice President, 2005-2007. VC-funded firm software firm in Seattle, Washington.

NYIT Computer Graphics Laboratory: 1981-1987, senior systems programmer. This laboratory was the academic predecessor of Pixar.

Additional details are available to serious organizations recruiting for executive board or C-level positions.