

Kien

AI Security | Platform Engineering | Cloud Architecture

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PROFILE

Computer Science graduate from Arizona State University with experience across cybersecurity engineering, DevOps/platform delivery, secure AI workflows, Kubernetes operations, CI/CD, observability, and solution architecture. I work well on systems where reliability, security, and product delivery overlap: model-backed features with real tool permissions, cloud services that need clean release paths, and security findings that need practical remediation.

CORE STRENGTHS

- **Secure AI systems:** LLM gateway design, tool governance, RAG boundaries, eval checkpoints, trace review, policy checks, audit logging, rollback planning.
- **Platform engineering:** Kubernetes delivery, CI/CD gates, deployment hygiene, environment separation, service handoff, observability, incident runbooks.
- **Security engineering:** application/API review, access-control analysis, threat modeling, hardening plans, evidence handling, remediation workflow.
- **Solution architecture:** service boundaries, identity flows, data movement, control registers, architecture decision records, rollout planning.

EXPERIENCE

Cybersecurity Engineer - Twilio

2024 - 2025

- Reviewed authentication, authorization, data exposure, and abuse-case paths through the lens of how services behave in production.
- Helped convert security observations into practical guardrails, runbooks, and fix language instead of leaving teams with vague risk statements.
- Worked with telemetry, service ownership, incident context, and release realities while keeping private details out of public artifacts.
- Kept security communication bounded: what is affected, what is proven, what is not claimed, and what should change.

DevOps Engineer - Dyson

2023 - 2024

- Worked on CI/CD and environment workflows with attention to release promotion, repeatability, rollback, and operational readiness.
- Supported container and Kubernetes-style operations with service visibility, practical runbooks, and ownership boundaries.
- Improved the quality of troubleshooting signals across application and infrastructure layers so issues were easier to isolate.
- Built documentation and handoff notes around real operator questions: what changed, what failed, who owns it, and how to recover.

Vulnerability Researcher - Bug Bounty and HackerOne Programs

2024 - Present

- Performs authorized vulnerability research focused on access-control boundaries, mobile/API behavior, auth state transitions, and proof packages that can survive triage.
- Builds attacker/victim/object matrices for authorization testing instead of stopping at one-off suspicious responses.
- Separates local-only behavior, expected denial, backend impact, and reportable exposure before writing a claim.
- Turns raw testing into triage-ready evidence: request pairs, denied controls, impact narrative, remediation notes, and clear non-claims.
- Keeps public portfolio material sanitized: no target secrets, private reports, unsafe technical detail, or customer data.

SELECTED WORK

AI Security Control Plane

Production-oriented design for routing model traffic through identity-aware policy, retrieval checks, tool permissions, eval gates, logs, and replayable incidents.

Kubernetes Delivery Platform

Delivery model for services that need predictable builds, Kubernetes readiness, progressive rollout, observability, ownership, and rollback instructions.

Pentest Evidence Workflows

Report-building workflow for scoped testing: request pairs, object-boundary checks, denied controls, impact notes, false-positive reduction, and remediation language.

MLOps and LLMops Observability

Operating model for model-backed products: trace fields, evaluation checkpoints, prompt and retrieval release notes, cost visibility, latency budgets, and incident review.

EDUCATION

Bachelor of Science in Computer Science - Arizona State University

2019 - 2023

Software engineering, data structures, algorithms, systems thinking, and maintainable production software.

TECHNICAL SKILLS

AI / LLM: OpenAI API, RAG, agents, prompt risk review, evals, trace review, LLMops, tool governance.

Security: threat modeling, OWASP, pentest evidence, access control, API security, hardening, HackerOne.

Cloud / DevOps: Kubernetes, Docker, CI/CD, observability, infrastructure-as-code patterns, SLOs, release and rollback.

Architecture: solution design, IAM, service boundaries, runbooks, ADRs, risk registers, stakeholder handoff.

SECURITY BOUNDARY

Security work is authorized, scoped, and sanitized. Public examples do not include private target details, secrets, customer data, unsafe reproduction detail, or confidential implementation information.