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|  | James Zahler Sr Healthcare Economics Consultant |  |

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| Contact10293 Twin Lakes Rd NWElk River, MN 55330715-410-7926james.zahler@outlook.com | ObjectiveDiligent and perceptive analyst who enjoys mastering new content to apply contemporary data tools to solve complex and ambiguous problems |
| EducationSt. Paul UniversityOttawa, Ontario, CanadaMA and JCL in Canon LawCumulative GPA 3.95Thesis: “The Diocesan Bishop and Catholic Universities in the United States of America, a Relationship of Vigilance”University of Wisconsin Eau ClairePhilosophy Major; Biology MinorCumulative GPA 3.72Graduated magnum cum laudeKey SkillsIn order of most proficiency: SAS, SQL, Excel, Python, Shell ScriptingReferencesAvailable upon request | ExperienceOptum Payment Integrity: Sr Healthcare Economic Consultant 1/2020 to Current* Led strategic level analyses of medical claims data to identify new savings and affordability opportunities
* Estimated savings opportunities for payment integrity interventions using medical claims data
* Identified providers potentially engaged in upcoding emergency claims
* Managed daily activities of 2 junior analysts
* Received a promotion within 18 months
* Expanded the team’s data capabilities by developing logic and code to categorize data and facilitate drill down analysis
* Integrated data from multiple sources to drive insights
* Evaluated the effectiveness of provider identification methodologies
* Communicated strategies to maximize savings using established methodologies to business leaders
* Implemented parallel processing to quickly analyze datasets > 250 GB
* Developed shell scripts to adapt existing SAS code to multiple clients
* Automated reports, reducing dependence on manual processes
* Coordinated with cross functional teams to integrated multiple perspectives into analyses
* Solved complex technical, managerial, or operational problems regarding data and usage related to adoption of new reporting and cloud technologies like Tableau and Snowflake

*Self-Employed •* Canonical Consultant *• 2016 – 1/2020** Drafted the arguments that led to the removal of several priests from the clerical state

Archdiocese of St. Paul and Minneapolis • Judge • 9/2013 – 1/2020* Advanced from the position of notary to advocate to judge
* Investigated and decided the merits of marriage nullity cases
* Argued and won substantive and procedural appeals before the Roman Rota, the highest tribunal in the Catholic Church
* Advised Petitioners for marriage nullity cases with the most difficult cases, winning more than 98%
* Scheduled and over saw timely execution of cases, eliminating backlog
* Used technical solutions to draft routine decrees more efficiently
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