Anthony Garrett, CPA

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Builder who ships AI products for finance. I design, code, and deploy full-stack LLM tools end to end, including tools now running at KPMG that cut manual accounting work by up to 40%. I was on the founding product team at DeFi Steward, which was acquired by American Estate and Trust. I'm also a licensed CPA with a technical accounting background in M&A, revenue recognition, and digital assets.

WORK EXPERIENCE

Senior Venture Analyst – KPMG
2026 – Present

Analyst and Agentic Engineer

- Shaped venture investment decisions for KPMG's investment committee by defining strategic theses and ideal customer profiles, building business cases, and validating demand through design partners and external market outreach.
- Co-led ideation sessions with a leading hyperscalers and a frontier AI lab, using agentic coding tools to prototype concepts live and turn them into working demos.
- Architected and built a full-stack AI harness for KPMG's Studio Venture process and deployed it to a secure Azure production environment.

Deal Advisory and Strategy Senior Associate – KPMG
2024 – 2026

Applied AI & Internal Product Development

- Build and deploy LLM-based tools leveraging OpenAI, Anthropic, and Google APIs through KPMG Workbench and frameworks like LangChain, reducing time to engagement completion hours by up to 40%.
- Identify automation opportunity in transaction classification workflows where associates manually categorized transactions from unstructured description fields, repetitive work well-suited for LLMs.
- Taught a practice wide AI course focused on Gemini and Copilot agent development.

Accounting Advisory Services

- Authored comprehensive stablecoin memorandum for a leading global issuer, detailing end-to-end accounting from issuance to redemption under ASC 606, ASC 842, and ASC 720.
- Developed ASC 805 purchase accounting memoranda for buy-side clients in acquisitions ranging from $500M to $2B, including opening balance sheets and purchase price consideration analysis.

Product Manager – Defi Steward
2022 – 2023 | Acquired by American Estate and Trust

- Joined as first hire to lead product development for a platform enabling financial advisors to execute cryptocurrency transactions on behalf of clients, growing to 30–40 active clients with over $1M in managed digital assets.
- Discovered through user retention data that the custodial product (crypto in tax-advantaged retirement accounts) achieved 100% customer retention vs. 5–10% for the non-custodial on-chain product. Pivoted roadmap to double down on the custodial offering.

CREDENTIALS & SKILLS

Certified Public Accountant (CPA) – Washington State, License #59250

- Passed all four sections of the Uniform CPA Examination on first attempt (FAR, AUD, REG, ISC)

Technical: Python, TypeScript, React, Next.js, Postgres, Docker, Azure, AWS, LangChain, multi-agent systems, LLM application development, agent harnesses (Pi, Flue), knowledge graphs (RDF, OWL, SPARQL, Ontotext GraphDB)

Domain: Technical accounting (ASC 805, 606, 842, 720), SEC reporting, M&A due diligence, digital assets (stablecoins, DeFi)

EDUCATION

Gonzaga University – Spokane, WA
Bachelor of Business Administration, Accounting – Cum Laude | May 2023