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Cover Letter — Lead Cloud Data Engineer

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Hiring Manager
Pinnacle Harbor Financial
Denver, CO

Dear Hiring Manager,

I'm applying for the Lead Cloud Data Engineer role at Pinnacle Harbor Financial. I have nine years of experience building and operating data platforms in regulated financial services environments, with hands-on work across Azure, AWS, Databricks, and Snowflake. My focus has been turning complex source systems into reliable, governed data products that analysts and business teams can use with confidence.

In my current role, I lead delivery of a data product platform serving six business domains. I have migrated legacy warehouse workloads into ADLS, Delta Lake, and Snowflake using dependency analysis, reconciliation controls, and parallel runs to protect month-end reporting. I also established reusable Azure Data Factory and AWS Glue ingestion frameworks for REST APIs, S3 objects, and event-driven feeds, with schema validation and quarantine handling built into the pipelines. For high-volume transaction and reference data, I have used Spark, Kafka, and Delta Lake tuning techniques to support both batch and near-real-time processing.

The engineering work matters only if the controls and operating practices hold up. I have partnered with security, risk, and governance teams on IAM, RBAC, OAuth 2.0, TLS/mTLS, JWT, catalog registration, lineage, and domain-level data sharing. I have also introduced pull-request checks, automated data-quality tests, observability standards, and recovery runbooks, and I currently guide five engineers through architecture and code reviews. My Azure, AWS, and Databricks certifications support the practical experience I would bring to your team.

I would welcome the opportunity to discuss how I could help Pinnacle Harbor Financial modernize its data platforms and deliver secure, reusable products across domains. Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

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