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AWARDS

- 2015 Edward R. Murrow Award, Feature News Reporting, Cannabis for Kids
- 2014 Edward R. Murrow Award, Hard News Reporting, Fighting Sexual Slavery
- 2014 Associated Press Award, 1st Place, Feature Reporting, 1600 Cards for Jacob
- 2012 Edward R. Murrow Award, Hard News Reporting, Desperation in the Desert
- 2012 NATAS Rocky Mountain Emmy nominee, Spot News Reporting, SWAT team shooting
- 2012 NATAS Rocky Mountain Emmy nominee, Specialty Reporting, Caffeinated kids
- 2011 NATAS Rocky Mountain Emmy Winner, Feature Reporting, Red Light Camera App
- 2011 NATAS Rocky Mountain Emmy Nominee, Spot News, School board takeover
- 2009 NATAS Ohio Valley Chapter, Specialty Assignment Reporting 1st place, Get the Lead Out

OBJECTIVES

Motivated, enterprising, and skilled reporter seeking job in Phoenix. Winner of three Edward R. Murrow Awards for Hard News & Feature Reporting. Associated Press Award first place winner feature reporting, and Rocky Mountain Emmy nominations for spot news, specialty reporting, and win for feature reporting.

SKILLS

- Strong Enterprise Reporting skills
- Ability to create/maintain sources
- Specialize in beat reporting
- Strong breaking News skills
- Good knowledge of court system and legal issues
- Experience covering city/county government issues
- Strong Investigative reporting skills
- Ability to communicate with photographers/editors /producers and coordinate dynamic stories
- Knowledge of ENPS, AP NewsCenter, and Edius
- Savvy with social media on several platforms
- Strong writing skills Work well under deadline
- Experience shooting/editing/and producing

JOB EXPERIENCE

GENERAL ASSIGNMENT REPORTER | KOLD/KMSB |
FEB 2011-PRESENT

- . Report for 4,5,6,9 and 10 PM Newscasts
- . Enterprise story ideas, research news tips, cultivate sources
- . Cover police/sheriff/US Marshals/Highway Patrol beat
- . Covered aftermath of Jan 8th Mass shooting, immigration protest, monsoon damage, wildfires, Border patrol agent murder, drug/human smuggling along the border, migrant deaths in the desert, immigration issues, and high profile crime stories
- . Contribute reports to KOLD, KMSB, and national "America Now" show
- . Quick thinking skills, good ad lib skills, ability to go "live" on a moment notice
- . Fast writing skills Work with producers and photogs to develop best ways to produce stories.
- . Post stories on social media, maintain professional Facebook and Twitter Account, interact with viewers
- . Post stories and video on web everyday

GENERAL ASSIGNMENT REPORTER | WDTN-TV DAYTON, OH | SEPTEMBER 2007- DECEMBER 2010

- . Northern Counties bureau chief- in charge of cultivating sources, covering law enforcement, government and schools for 3 counties
- . Fill in Anchor weekend and weeknight shows as needed
- . Enterprise, investigate, write stories
- . Covered the big Ohio blackout, snow storms, tornado damage, flooding, and several high profile crime stories

GENERAL ASSIGNMENT REPORTER, WATE-TV KNOXVILLE, TN
April 2004 to May 2007

- . Dayside and weekend reporter
- . Cover crime, weather, city/county government, school board and social issues
- . Enterprise, research, write stories
- . Perform live hits for all shows as needed
- . Work with web producers to post stories on web

WEEKEND ANCHOR/COURTS & CRIME BEAT REPORTER, WCYB-TV, TRI-CITIES, TN,
December 2002 to April 2007

- . In charge of covering Cops and Courts beat in largest county in coverage area
- . Reporter/Weekend Anchor
- . Producer/writer/Assignment Editor, Editor weekend newscasts
- . Dayside court and cops reporter
- . Covered high profile crime stories, flooding, blizzards, coal mine rescues, and jail break at largest county jail in coverage area

- . Fill in anchor morning, weeknight newscasts as needed

General Assignment Reporter/Anchor

- .Enterprise, investigate, write, stories
- .Shoot and edit stories for newscasts
- .Covered police/sheriffs beat, courts, city/county government, features
- .Covered Montana wildfires, controversies involving environmental issues at Yellowstone National Park, crime, Crow Indian reservation crime, tribal issues
- .Produce/Anchor shows as needed

EDUCATION

University of California San Diego

La Jolla, CA

- Major: Mass Communications
- Minor: Scientific Perspectives & Japanese