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JOURNALISM EXPERIENCE

The New York Times New York, N.Y.
Freelance Reporter May 2015 – present

- ▶ Assignments from the National Desk, Business Desk and the Political Desk. Two front-page bylines.
- ▶ Extensive work with the Houston bureau chief. Frequent contributions to the coverage of gun violence.

Fort Worth Star-Telegram Fort Worth, Texas
Reporter December 2000 – March 2009

- ▶ Wrote hundreds of front-page stories with assignments in Mexico, out of state and in the state legislature.
- ▶ Covered immigration with interviews in Spanish and analysis of government data.
- ▶ Commented on immigration on MSNBC several times and often beat the competition covering the issue.

The MetroWest Daily News Framingham, Mass.
Reporter October 1996 – February 1998

- ▶ Focused exclusively on suburban issues covering town selectmen, schools and local development.
- ▶ Covered religion extensively, winning a first place award from the New England Press Association.

The Arlington Advocate Arlington, Mass.
Reporter July 1995 – October 1996

- ▶ Covered government, police and schools in a Boston suburb until promoted to the chain's largest daily.

The Boston Globe Boston, Mass.
Reporter April – June 1994

- ▶ Held one of the Globe's most competitive intern positions as a student writer on the City Desk.
- ▶ Worked as a general assignment reporter covering a wide range of issues including politics and crime.

The Patriot Ledger Quincy, Mass.
Reporter January 1991 – June 1993

- ▶ Wrote 20 front-page stories as the police intern reporter covering crime and fires in the Boston suburbs.
- ▶ Retained after internship to cover features and hard news on weekends while attending college full time.

PEACE CORPS & MILITARY SERVICE

U.S. Army 11th Armored Cavalry Regiment
First Lieutenant February 2010 – September 2013

- ▶ Led a platoon in combat-training missions that prepared Army units deploying to Iraq and Afghanistan.
- ▶ Served as a tank commander in charge of tank maintenance, maneuvers, weaponry and fires.
- ▶ Promoted to oversee 110 soldiers, 289 vehicles and 15 tanks as the officer in charge of combat vehicles.
- ▶ Planned and led complex missions to support combat training with daily briefs to battalion leadership.
- ▶ Rated in the top 10% by the battalion commander. Promoted to captain in the Army Reserves.

Peace Corps El Salvador
Peace Corps Volunteer March 1998 – August 2000

- ▶ Lived and worked in remote foothills, helping peasant farmers dig latrines and build a water system.
- ▶ Managed 40 workers to build a 15-ton capacity bridge. Co-wrote a 300-page health manual in Spanish.
- ▶ Founded a local health committee and led education campaigns against cholera, malaria and dengue.

DATA SKILLS

- ▶ Python: National Institute of Computer Assisted Reporting Coding Boot Camp, November 2015.
- ▶ ArcGIS mapping: NICAR Mapping Boot Camp, August 2015.
- ▶ Excel & SQL: NICAR Computer Assisted Reporting Boot Camp, May 2005.
- ▶ Tableau: Self-taught. (Tableau Desktop Professional acquired with NICAR membership.)
- ▶ Additional skill: Fluency in Spanish from more than two years of Peace Corps service in El Salvador.

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MEDICAL WRITER

UT Southwestern Medical Center

Dallas, Texas

Medical Writer

January – May 2014

- ▶ Write about cellular, molecular and genome research for an institution that won five Nobel Prizes.
- ▶ Spend extensive reporting time in some of the most important research labs in the country.

Children's Medical Center Foundation

Dallas, Texas

Lead Writer

June 2014 – January 2019

- ▶ Web and magazine writer for a foundation that raised \$300 million for a non-profit children's hospital.
- ▶ Interviewed patient families in Spanish and worked extensively with Spanish language media.

AWARDS

- ▶ Named one of Boys & Girls Club's Top 100 Volunteers for 2014 and 2015. Asked to serve on the board.
- ▶ Army Achievement Medal and Army Commendation Medal. Rated in top 10% by battalion commander.
- ▶ Named 2010 Big Brother of the Year by Big Brothers Big Sisters after seven years of volunteer work.
- ▶ First place in annual Amon Awards for watchdog journalism on immigration coverage in 2007.
- ▶ First place in quarterly Amon Awards for specialty reporting, 2004 and watchdog journalism, 2005.
- ▶ Second place in the quarterly Amon Awards for coverage of Pope John Paul's 2002 visit to Mexico.
- ▶ First place in 1997 from the New England Press Association for coverage of religious issues.

ADDITIONAL SERVICE

Boys & Girls Club

Dallas, Texas

Volunteer Tutor & Board Member

March 2014 – present

- ▶ Tutor low-income children in reading. Correspond with their teachers to develop lesson plans.
- ▶ Honored as one of the top 100 volunteers. Serve on the board and helped it raise more than \$100,000.

Big Brothers Big Sisters

Dallas, Texas

Volunteer Mentor

September 2002 – January 2010

- ▶ Mentored same boy for seven years. Helped with homework and kept in weekly contact with his teacher.
- ▶ Enrolled him in a Boy Scout troop. Helped him earn merit badges and become part of the Honor Guard.

Helping Hands

Dallas, Texas

Board Member

March 2009 – January 2010

- ▶ Served on board that raises funds for The Family Place, a domestic violence shelter in Dallas.

John Peter Smith Hospital

Fort Worth, Texas

Volunteer Translator

January 2001 – December 2001

- ▶ Translated for Spanish-speaking patients in a family clinic at the county hospital.

Codman Square Health Center

Boston, Mass.

Committee Member

September 1996 – February 1998

- ▶ Helped develop AIDS outreach literature addressing HIV prevention and domestic violence issues.
- ▶ Recruited a graphic designer, artist, photographer and printer to produce the outreach literature for free.

Boston Children's Services

Boston, Mass.

Volunteer Tutor

July 1995 – October 1996

- ▶ Tutored inner-city, teenage mothers in their high school work and in preparation for the GED test.

EDUCATION

Northeastern University

Boston, Mass.

Bachelor of Science in Journalism

June 1995

Editor of the student newspaper, 1994 – 1995

Dean's List