

Specializes in Short-term and Longterm Investigations and Political Reporting

Battleground Florida with Chris Heath: Twice weekly political podcast

Featured speaker at NICAR 2019: Discussing day turn investigations, how to add exclusive elements to the Big Story, and how to turn a Big Story on a short deadline

Frequent moderator at Tiger Bay Club of Central Florida:

Non-partisan group for those with a passion for politics and public affairs

Skills

- Well versed on Public Records laws
- Audition software for podcast
- Lobby tools to track legislative bills
- Pacer and Pacer Monitor, Tableau
- Sony Vegas and Quantell Editing
- Sony Acid Music
- ENPS, AP, INews Software
- Beta SP, Beta SX
- Sony DV Cam, Sony DX Cam
- · Final Cut Pro

Education

University of North Texas, Denton, TX 2001

B.A., Broadcast Journalism Minor in Political Science

Social Media



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EXPERIENCE

WFTV, Orlando, FL

Investigative and Political Reporter

January 2013 - Present

- · One of the biggest generators of exclusive content to newsroom
- · Prolific on social media
- On air almost every night with a story
- Turn short-term and long-term investigations-concentrating on politics, wasteful spending, and Florida's environment
- Cover all politics in Florida from State Legislature to Governor and Senate campaigns
- Big Story-Go-To Reporter on Major Breaking News
- Fill-In Anchor

WLWT, Cincinnati, OH

Freelance Reporter

October 2012 – December 2012

Worked nightside generating lead story content

WKEF/WRGT, Dayton, OH

Afternoon and Evening Anchor

December 2011 – September 2012

- Anchored two ratings periods with across the board growth
- · Anchored for 2 stations, 22.5 hours a week on air news

KENS, San Antonio, TX

Weekend Anchor/Reporter

November 2008 – December 2011

- · Anchored the highest rated weekend show in the San Antonio area
- Primary fill-in for main anchor on weekday shows
- · Lead reporter for 10pm shows three days a week

KXTX, Waco, TX

Weekend Anchor/Bureau Chief

February 2002 – November 2008

- Increased market share for weekend newscasts by an average of 8.25%
- Chosen to head up company-wide coverage of the War in Iraq for Gray Communications
- Embedded with the 4th Infantry Division in Iraq for five weeks, turned more than 50 live shots and 30 packages for the 36-Television stations in the Gray family
- Chief State Legislative reporter, covering three regular sessions and seven called special sessions of the Texas Legislature
- · Managed a staff of two reporters and two photographers
- Traveled with the 1st Cavalry Division to New Orleans to cover evacuations following Hurricane Katrina

KXII, Sherman, TX

Weekend Anchor/Reporter

May 2001 - February 2002

- Honored by the AP for Best breaking News Coverage of the Montegue, TX County Escapees
- Covered a three county area that spanned two states, Texas and Oklahoma
- Co-Anchored the weekend news while reporting three days a week