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Executive Reporter

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Awards

- 2024 AARP National Award for Excellence in Journalism
- 2024 NATAS Pacific Southwest Chapter Emmy for Journalist Enterprise
- 2024 National Headliner Awards for Health Reporting
- 2024 Regional Murrow Award for Writing
- 2023 NATAS Pacific Southwest Chapter Emmy for Feature
- 2023-NATAS Pacific Southwest Chapter Emmy for Politics/Government
- 2022 Pacific Southwest Chapter Emmy for Best Investigative Reporting
- 2022 Pacific Southwest Chapter Emmy for Best Politics/Government Reporting
- 2022 Society of Professional Journalists San Diego Chapter, First Place, Investigative/Enterprise Reporting
- 2022 Society of Professional Journalists, San Diego Chapter, First Place, Video News
- 2022 National Headliner Awards 3rd Place for Business/Consumer Reporting
- 2021 Pacific Southwest Chapter Emmy for Business/Consumer News
- 2020 Scripps Broadcasting Give Light Award for upholding the First Amendment
- 2020 Regional Murrow Award for Investigative Reporting
- 2019 San Diego Press Club First Place for TV/Online Investigative Reporting: Single Report
- 2019 Society of Professional Journalists San Diego Chapter First Place Investigative Series
- 2019 Society of Professional Journalists San Diego Chapter First Place Breaking News Story
- 2019 Pacific Southwest Chapter Emmy for Investigative Reporting
- 2019 Pacific Southwest Chapter Emmy for News/Crime Reporting
- 2018 Pacific Southwest Chapter Emmy for Investigative Reporting
- 2018 Society of Professional Journalists First Place Award for Investigative/Enterprise—Series

EXPERIENCE

KGTV, San Diego, CA

November 2023 — Present

- Manage a team of reporters
 - Lead, develop, and enhance the storytelling skills and abilities of all reporters and MMJs in the station
 - Collaborate with other newsroom leaders to consistently execute the content strategy through authentic, meaningful storytelling
 - Oversee the writing of stories for all platforms; provide timely feedback to foster continuous improvement
- · Assist News Director in the on-going evaluation of personnel
- Implement and have working knowledge of federal, state and local laws impacting operations

December 2015 - November 2023

Investigative Reporter/Fill-In Anchor

- · Serve as station's main Investigative Reporter
- · Responsible for exclusive daily stories and long-form investigative pieces
- In-depth breaking news coverage on Big Stories
- Develop enterprise stories through sources, open records requests and data
- · Responsible for using computer assisted reporting in applicable stories
- Collaborate with other company and network investigative teams to turn high impact stories
- Use Excel, Pivot Tables, Tableau, Carto, Google Map Maker, Caspio and ArcGIS
- · Attend IRE convention annually
- · San Diego Data Watchdog Workshop, 2016

KEYE, Austin, TX

October 2012 – November 2015

Investigative Reporter/Anchor

- · Only Reporter at station responsible for investigative stories
- · Head of the station's "Waste Watch" unit
- Brings exclusive, weekly reportable stories to the newscast while still turning investigative daily stories for the late newscast
- Many produced stories air on all company-owned Texas stations
- · Report on stories which air across all Sinclair Broadcast stations
- · Posts daily stories to station website
- Daily Facebook and Twitter updates to keep the stations online presence viable throughout the day

KMTV, Omaha, NE

October 2010 - October 2012

Reporter

- · Reporter for evening and prime time newscasts
- Sweeps Investigative Reporter
- · Go-to reporter for station's breaking news events
- Brings exclusive, lead stories to air by enterprising story ideas and establishing firm community contacts
- Posts stories to station website, and active on Twitter and Facebook accounts

Santa Maria, CA

Anchor/Reporter/Producer

March 2008 - October 2010

- Weekend Anchor, Reporter, Producer, Videographer, Assignment Editor and Video Editor
- Nightside general assignment reporter, responsible for enterprising stories, working as a backpack journalist, and editing material
 - Performed live shots for KCOY/KKFX as well as sister station KION/KCBA in Monterey/ Salinas
- Live and on-the-phone coverage of the Santa Barbara fires and Michael Jackson death from Neverland Ranch for stations in Los Angeles, San Francisco, Sacramento and Seattle

 2018 Society of Professional Journalists First Place Award for Investigative/Enterprise—Single Story

Skills

- Proficient on Word, Excel, and Pivot tables
- Proficient on Tableau
- Proficient on carto and google My Maps
- Proficient on Pacer and PacerMonitor
- Understanding of State and Federal Open Records Laws
- Computers: Mac, PC, iNEWS and ENPS
- Editing: Final Cut Pro
- Photography: GoPro and 360 cameras, JVC 650 camera, and similar Sony model
- CMS web publishing

Social Media



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KULR, Billings, MT

August 2007 - March 2008

with multiple elements, extensive

Reporter/Producer

- Create vision for newscast, execute lead stories with multiple elements, extensive tease & topical writing
- Enterprise & research story ideas, use of compelling sound in packages and active stand-ups

Education

California State University, Northridge

Bachelor of Arts, Journalism