

# **Tolly Taylor**

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# **EXPERIENCE**

#### WBAL, Baltimore, MD

#### Investigative Reporter | April 2023 — May 2025

- Obtained unpublished Baltimore DPW map revealing 275,000 public/private water service lines needed to be inspected for lead, impacting more than one million water customers
- Pitched, researched, scripted, edited TV, print and social versions of stories
- Developed and fronted investigative sidebars during breaking news coverage
- Broke national news on ship and bridge inspections, explosives used following Francis Scott Key Bridge collapse
- Broke news of a first-of-its-kind study showing "potentially harmful" levels of toxic forever chemicals in the blood of every Maryland resident tested
- Spent a year investigating one of Maryland's largest nonprofits, finding nonprofit broke laws resulting in a \$20,000 fine and sparking a Baltimore City Inspector General investigation
- Filed public records requests, constantly juggled 15-20 short- and long-term projects, contributed 3-4 stories per sweeps period, monitored website traffic to determine followup stories, coordinated team coverage
- Uncovered Medicare fraud involving COVID tests, discovering at least 293 Maryland residents impacted, resulting in CMS policy change and HHS inspector general report showing fraud nationwide may have hit \$454 million
- Revealed two-thirds of Maryland K-12 public school districts don't have full-time athletic trainers and uncovering BCPS had none, despite a legal settlement after a student died on the field
- Secured five exclusive interviews with U.S. Transportation Sec. Pete Buttigieg

# WPRI, Providence, RI

#### Investigative Reporter | March 2021 — March 2023

- Uncovered state-led effort in 1970s to build a highway over hundreds of graves and, separately, to dig up nearly 600 graves and rebury the bodies in one mass grave
- Secured exclusive interview with U.S. Department of Transportation Sec. Pete Buttigleg about Rhode Island's building plans with funding from the American Rescue Plan Act
- Broke story of cyberattack on state transit authority by hackers with Russian ties, obtained ransom note, and later broke follow-up story of U.S. Office for Civil Rights investigating the cyberattack
- Discovered a local town's main evacuation route would soon be underwater due to climate change
- Wrote every article for my investigative stories

#### WSBT, South Bend, IN

#### Investigative Reporter | August 2019 — February 2021

- Broke five national stories on Notre Dame's coronavirus response: testing issues, quarantine problems, football team testing inequity, faculty division and one ignored immunocompromised student
- Covered Pete Buttigieg at 2019 Democratic Presidential Primary live in Detroit and Westerville

#### **General Assignment Reporter** | February 2019 — July 2019

Researched, shot, wrote, edited and fronted daily stories on news of the day

#### Freelance, Ann Arbor, MI Chicago Tribune / Detroit Free Press / Lincoln Star Journal

Wrote features and profiles about Michigan football players, game coverage, and USA Hockey stars

## Land of 10 - CBS Sports

March 2017 — December 2018

October 2017 — July 2018 Wrote SEO headlines, reported and analyzed online news cycle to write about Michigan football in a daily column

# Languages

Fluent in spoken and written French after years spent in France and Senegal

#### **Awards**

- 2024 Emmy Award Investigative Reporting – Multiple Part Series
- 2022 Regional Edward R. Murrow **Award**

#### **Skills**

- Proficient in hosting, recording, and editing podcasts
- Avid
- **EDIUS**
- Adobe Premiere Pro
- WordPress

#### **Education**

#### Medill School of Journalism, **Northwestern University**

2016

Master of Science in Journalism

#### **LIBERATION Internship in Paris**

Covering the 2016 U.S. presidential election for the French audience in print and online

## **Social Media**



**Tolly Taylor** 



@TollyTaylorTV 1K followers



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