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## **WORK EXPERIENCE**

**AVIATION WEEK:** (McGraw-Hill, Washington). , July 2006 to present. Broke stories about Pentagon's failed efforts to upgrade radar system to stop airline hijackers from more terrorist attacks, questionable helicopter procurement changes that sparked Congressional and Pentagon inquiry and wasteful U.S. Navy spending for a multibillion-dollar plan to improve and replace its destroyer fleet and ship combat systems.

**TRAVEL WEEKLY:** Senior aviation editor, July 2008 to present. Broke stories about pressurization safety issues on Boeing 737s, the actions and comments of a questionable nonprofit organization leader and faulty on-board oxygen mask systems.

**DEFENSE NEWS:** (Washington). Air and space warfare reporter, May 2005 to July 2006. Traveled to Paris and Dubai for air shows/conferences. Analyzed federal contracts to show jump in classified work since 2001. Broke stories on use of combat jet radars for electronic attack. Wrote articles for NICAR's Uplink newsletter.

**SAVANNAH MORNING NEWS:** (Georgia) Military reporter and assistant team leader, business, March 2004 – May 2005. Placed as finalist for 2005 IRE award for stories about aircraft carrier construction problems. Won state FOIA awards for stories on military accidents and carrier problems. Nominated for Pulitzer. Covered local military beats, including Fort Stewart. Broke stories on national U.S. Coast Guard helicopter problems. Helped direct G-8 Summit planning; ran G-8 media center "bureau." Planned and edited weekly business magazine, *The Exchange*.

**DAILY PRESS:** (Newport News, Va) Senior military and business defense reporter, November 2000 – March 2004; April 1987 - April 1988. Wrote investigative stories and helped other reporters work on projects. Won state awards for news writing and a series about a carrier launch. Broke stories on carrier construction fraud and Navy military contract overruns, shipyard plant security breaches and illegal Defense Department spending practices. Served on newspaper reorganization committee.

**LATIN TRADE:** (Miami) Logistics editor, Brazilian correspondent. January 1999 -- March 2001. Planned and started logistics section and column for monthly magazine. Traveled throughout Latin America. Broke stories on Brazilian truck hijackings.

**O ESTADO DE S. PAULO:** (São Paulo, Brazil) Editor, Brazilian Financial Wire, US correspondent, September 1999 – March 2001. Wrote, edited, translated and posted English news portion of Agência Estado, the daily Internet business wire service for one of Brazil's leading newspapers. Wrote stories for daily paper.

**THE ECONOMIST GROUP -- *The Journal Of Commerce Inc.*:** (New York, Washington, São Paulo) Transportation and international editor, reporter and correspondent, January 1995 - January 2001. Maritime editor for *Traffic World*. Former Latin American correspondent for *Air Cargo World*, Started company Internet web page *Bridges to Brazil*. Sailed on a cargo freighter to South America while Atlantic trade reporter for *The Journal of Commerce* newspaper to report on pirates, corruption and other problems in the South Atlantic trade. Traveled extensively throughout Latin America. Broke stories on bogus federal government investigation of shipping cartel. Trained reporters on computer-assisted reporting techniques. Won national awards for breaking stories about the crumbling state of the Panama Canal. (Returned to work as associated editor for *Traffic World* and *Air Cargo World* July 2007-June 2008 after magazines became part of Commonwealth Business Media)

**FAIRPLAY:** (United Kingdom). US East Coast and Latin American correspondent. April 1996 -- November 1997; March 1999 – March 2001 Broke stories on illegal cargo rebates in North Atlantic trade and new international drug trafficking routes. Traveled throughout Latin America and Europe.

**OTHER BRAZIL:** (São Paulo) January 1999 - January 2000; *Update Online* -- Internet editor for new web page for Grupo Update, and reporter and columnist for *Global* magazine. Launched daily email news service and Internet site in English and Portuguese on international finance, trade and transportation. Wrote column for monthly magazine. Wrote and edited daily news updates in English and Portuguese. *Brazil Now* -- English editor. Translated, edited and rewrote finance, marketing, trade, transportation and economic stories for international magazine.

**FAYETTEVILLE OBSERVER-TIMES:** (North Carolina) Business editor and projects reporter, January 1993 - January 1995. Won national, regional and state awards for a series about the government's failure to enforce pesticide laws. Broke stories about unsafe train practices. Wrote award-winning stories about murders in a local restaurant. Wrote in-house guide for computer-assisted reporting. Taught editors and reporters how to use computers for reporting. Launched the paper's first daily business page.

**PHILADELPHIA BUSINESS JOURNAL:** (Pennsylvania) Environmental and transportation reporter, April 1990 - January 1993. Wrote award-winning investigative and feature stories on mysterious dolphin deaths, port authority spending abuses, and Delaware Valley's environmental problems. Covered ports, airports, railways, roadways and one of the largest public transportation systems in the country.

## **AWARDS**

**NEAL AWARD:** 2010 finalist for stories about questionable actions and comments of national passengers nonprofit advocacy group leader.

**INVESTIGATIVE REPORTERS & EDITORS (IRE):** 2005 finalist for aircraft carrier construction problems.

**GEORGIA PRESS ASSOCIATION:** 2005 & 2004 second place awards for use of FOIA .

**VIRGINIA PRESS ASSOCIATION:** 2001 second place awards for news portfolio and news series.

**AMERICAN SOCIETY OF BUSINESS PRESS EDITORS:** 1997 third place for investigative news series on the attempts to hide maintenance and operational problems in the Panama Canal.

**SCRIPPS HOWARD FOUNDATION EDWARD J. MEEMAN AWARD:** 1994 finalist for pesticide series.

**SOUTHERN JOURNALISM AWARD:** 1994 honorable mention in investigative reporting for pesticide series.

**NORTH CAROLINA PRESS ASSOCIATION:** 1994 third-place award for investigative reporting, 1994 third-place award for public service, both for pesticide series. 1993 second-place award for spot news about murders.

**PENNSYLVANIA NEWSPAPER PUBLISHING ASSOCIATION:** 1992 first-place award for news series about area chemical contamination. 1991 second-place awards for investigation of government cover-up of coastal dolphin deaths and news stories about failing port. 1990 first-place award for investigative stories about port authority spending abuses and second-place awards for stories about the Delaware River's environmental problems and disappearing tug boats. 1986 first-place award for kidnapping news stories and second-place award for investigation of Graterford Prison.

**PHILADELPHIA PRESS ASSOCIATION:** 1991 first-place award for business stories about failing port. 1990 third-place award for port authority investigation.

## **EDUCATION**

Trenton State College, Ewing, New Jersey, Bachelor of Arts in English

The University of Wollongong, Wollongong, New South Wales, Australia, 1983

## **UNDERGRADUATE EXPERIENCE**

Staff reporter, *THE REPORTER*, Lansdale, PA, 1986 -1987

Sports columnist, the *ILLAWARRA MERCURY*, Wollongong, NSW, Australia, 1983

Sportswriter, *BUCKS COUNTY COURIER TIMES*, Levittown, PA, 1981-1982

## **RELATED EXPERIENCE**

*THE MORNING CALL:* (Pennsylvania) Reporter, November 1989 - April 1990. *THE*

*NORTH JERSEY HERALD & NEWS:* Reporter, April 1988 - November 1989.

Attended National Institute of Computer-Assisted Reporting. Proficient in using spreadsheets, database managers, SPSS and the Internet. Member, speaker for Reporters & Editors (IRE). Speaker on local and national radio programs. Attended writing seminar at Poynter Institute. Attended seminar at the José Martí International Journalism Institute in Havana, Cuba. Writer/editor for PriceWaterhouse Coopers, Speak and write Portuguese. Can read Spanish and French (with some difficulty).