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■ P H O T O G R A P H Y

Freelance Photographer

New York | August 2002 – Present

Photographs have appeared in *The New York Times*, *Newsday*, *Detroit Free-Press*, *Seattle Post-Intelligencer*, *Centre Daily Times* (State College, Pa.), *Soccer America* and *Inside Lacrosse*. Corporate/university clients include *Digital Imaging Events*, *Penn State*, *Hofstra* and *Stony Brook* universities, and the *New York Mets*.

Photo Editor, Hofstra Pulse (Magazine), **Photographer, Hofstra Chronicle** (Newspaper)
Hempstead, N.Y. | November 2005 – May 2007

Contributed photographs to the student publications at Hofstra University, including campus visits by former president Bill Clinton, former attorney general John Ashcroft and author Salman Rushdie.

Photographer/Reporter, Long-Islander Newspapers

Huntington, N.Y. | March 2004 – March 2005; FREELANCE: March 2005 – Present

Covered local news, sports and features, through stories, photographs and occasional video essays for a chain of newspapers, including *The Long-Islander*, which was founded by Walt Whitman in 1838. Executed a major redesign of the print and online editions and earned recognition for reporting and photographic efforts with four awards from the New York Press Association. (www.longislandernews.com)

Reporter/Photographer, North Shore News Group

Smithtown, N.Y. | April 1999 – March 2004

Covered news and sports for the *Northport Observer*, *Smithtown News* and *Commack News*.

■ M U L T I M E D I A

Creative Director, Public Relations & Marketing Group

Patchogue, N.Y. | May 2005 – Present

Design printed marketing materials and develop online content for businesses, organizations and local governments. Serve as the primary designer on website launches and redesigns. (www.theprmg.com)

Founder and Editor, collegeBLITZ.com and commackcougars.com

Commack, N.Y. | October 1999 – Present

Direct coverage for college football website www.collegeblitz.com; write and photograph local high school athletics for www.commackcougars.com, a web resource for students, parents and fans.

Publisher, Writer and Editor, The Commack Times and commacktimes.com

Commack, N.Y. | May 1998 – September 2001

Covered local and national events each month in print and through a website which served as a trusted forum for information about controversial community issues, including a proposed power plant and a lawsuit against school officials.

News Editor, TDWaterhouseCup.com, Commack, N.Y.

Commack, N.Y. | August 1997 – September 2005

Wrote, photographed and directed match coverage for the official web site of the tennis tournament, which ceased operation in 2005.

■ SKILLS

Experienced with Macintosh and Windows hardware and software, HTML and CSS, Adobe Photoshop (photo editing), GoLive and Dreamweaver (web editing), QuarkXPress and Adobe InDesign (page layout), Soundslides (audio slideshows) and Microsoft Word and Excel. Working knowledge of Flash and Final Cut Pro (video editing). Capable of transmitting stories, photographs and multimedia content through FTP or e-mail.

■ AFFILIATIONS

Society of Professional Journalists, Press Club of Long Island, National Press Photographers Association.

■ HONORS

- 2006** » First Place, Photography, College (*Newsday School Journalism Awards*)
- 2005** » First and Third Place, Sports Action Photograph (*New York Press Association*)
- 2004** » First and Third Place, Sports Action Photograph (*New York Press Association*)
 - » First Place, Spot News Story (*New York Press Association*)
 - » Second Place, Spot News Photograph (*New York Press Association*)
- 2002** » Award for Outstanding Work in Journalism from Commack High School
 - » Media Award from the Commack Gridiron Club
- 2001** » Media Award from the Commack Gridiron Club

■ SPEAKER / LECTURER

- 2007** » Hofstra University, Photojournalism

■ EDUCATION

Hofstra University, Hempstead, N.Y.

B.A. in Print Journalism, MAY 2007

Suffolk County Community College, Brentwood, N.Y.

Associate's Degree in Liberal Arts, MAY 2005

Commack High School, Commack, N.Y.

Regents Diploma, JUNE 2002

■ REFERENCES

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