# KIM MUELLER

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## INDEPENDENT JOURNALIST

Award-winning writer and editor dedicated to detail with proven ability to write engaging articles on deadline
Association of Health Care Journalists Member

#### **EXPERIENCE**

## THE WRITE PLACE - Kansas City, Missouri

Premier freelance resource producing quick-hit, complex and engaging stories in healthcare, education and government Owner/Independent Journalist (current)

- PBS Next Avenue St. Paul, Minnesota
- CityScene KC Kansas City, Missouri
- Orlando Sentinel Orlando, Florida
- Ouincy Patriot Ledger Ouincy, Massachusetts
- Rockford Register Star Rockford, Illinois
- Associated Press U.S.-based news agency
- Reuters International news agency

## THE SAN ANTONIO LIGHT - San Antonio, Texas

Daily newspaper with 186,000 circulation

Education Reporter (2 years 2 months)

- Covered Texas Legislature's special sessions debating the Supreme Court's school finance ruling
- Uncovered financial malfeasance in Bexar County school districts

## THE AMARILLO GLOBE-NEWS - Amarillo, Texas

Daily newspaper with 30,000 circulation

Medical Writer/Investigative Reporter (3 years 4 months)

- Received national and state recognition for reporting on healthcare issues including the Medicare, Medicaid, palliative care, hospice, cancer, Alzheimer's Disease, infant mortality, and head injuries.
- Wrote enterprise articles and covered special projects/politics/investigations for the newspaper's top beat Assistant City Editor (1 year)
  - Organized, developed and prioritized daily news budget, edited copy and assigned stories to reporting staff
  - Collaborated with department heads and management

## THE COLUMBIA MISSOURIAN - Columbia, Missouri

Daily newspaper with 6,000 circulation

Assistant Editor Sunday Paper/Science Writer (1 year)

## THE DAILY INDEPENDENT - Kannapolis, North Carolina

Daily newspaper with 13,500 circulation

County Reporter (2 years)

## WILLIAMSON COUNTY SCHOOLS - Brentwood, Tennessee

Nationally recognized, academically acclaimed school district

Substitute Middle School Teacher Metro (13 years)

## **EDUCATION**

## University of Missouri School of Journalism

Master's of Arts/Kappa Tau Alpha Honors (Top 10 percent)

#### **COMMUNITY VOLUNTEER**

## BOY SCOUTS OF AMERICA - Natchez Trace and Dan Beard Districts of Middle Tennessee

Assistant Scout Master/Merit Badge Instructor/Philmont Crew Advisor (10 years)

## KIM MUELLER Awards

## Missouri Health Journalism Fellowship

American Health Care Journalsits (2018)

## **Hospice**

"Hospice: A Place to Live Until You Die."

Award-winning eight-part series about St. Anthony's Hospice and Life Enrichment Center.

- Texas Medical Association's Anson Jones Award (1988)
- American Cancer Society's Texas Media Award (1987)

## **Nursing Homes**

"Nursing Homes: Cost and Care."

Six articles looking at the state's nursing homes as they struggle to survive Medicare's regulations.

- Texas Department of Health's Toward 2000 Award presented (1989)
- Texas Hospital Association's Silver Star of Texas Award (1989)

#### Cancer

"Taste of Death Cannot Sour Thoughts of Past."

A profile of a patient's battle with cancer, doctors, chemotherapy, family and death.

- Associated Press Managing Editors Award (1988)
- American Cancer Society's Texas Media Award (1987)

## Alzheimer's Disease

"Where the Mind has Gone, the Body is Sure to Follow."

Three articles profiling the disease and a family's struggle.

- Texas Hospital Association's Silver Star of Texas Award (1988)
- Texas Medical Association's Anson Jones Award (1988)

### **Infant Mortality**

"Infant Mortality: Our Babies are Dying."

An 18-part series exploring the crisis, costs, causes and solutions of infant mortality in the Texas Panhandle which claimed the state's highest infant mortality rate.

- Texas Hospital Association's Silver Star of Texas Award (1990)
- Texas Medical Association's Anson Jones Award (1990)

#### **Head Injury**

"Head Injuries Kill 100,000 Every Year."

A seven-part series examining the trauma and intricacies of head injuries through the eyes of patients, families and doctors.

Texas Medical Association's Anson Jones Award (1987)