

# KIM MUELLER

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## INDEPENDENT JOURNALIST

Award-winning healthcare and education reporter with proven ability to write engaging articles on deadline

## 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)

- The Washington Post—Washington, D.C.
- PBS Next Avenue—St. Paul, Minnesota
- 435 Magazine—Kansas City, Kansas and Missouri
- The Costco Connection Magazine—United States edition
- The Pitch—Kansas City, Missouri
- City Scene KC—Kansas City, Missouri
- Orlando Sentinel—Orlando, Florida
- Rockford Register Star—Rockford, Illinois
- Associated Press—United States-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)

## EDUCATION

### **University of Missouri School of Journalism**

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

## MEMBERSHIPS

**Association of Health Care Journalists** (current)

# **KIM MUELLER**

## **Awards**

### **Missouri Health Journalism Fellowship**

American Health Care Journalists (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)