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PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

- Fall 1998 – Present** **NORTHWESTERN UNIVERSITY/MEDILL SCHOOL OF JOURNALISM, EVANSTON, IL**
- ADJUNCT LECTURER* Teach basic journalistic values and style, language skills, news judgment, writing of hard news, feature writing and the internet as a research tool. Created a music journalism course for graduate students.
- Fall 2007-2014** **COLUMBIA COLLEGE, CHICAGO, IL**
- ADJUNCT LECTURER* Teach the basics of reporting and writing with emphasis placed on news judgment, interviewing, accuracy, fairness, inclusiveness and meeting deadlines.
- Fall 1999** **LOYOLA UNIVERSITY, CHICAGO, IL**
- ADJUNCT LECTURER* Taught “Reporting and Writing.” Introduced students to the basic elements of media reporting and writing with emphasis on developing new judgment, finding and verifying information, learning effective interviewing skills, meeting deadlines and learning how to write clearly and concisely.
- 2012-Present** **CW MEDIA, LLC**
- PRESIDENT/CEO* Multi-faceted arts and entertainment company specializing in media training, consulting, publicity and development of book projects.
- CONTRIBUTING EDITOR* Today’s Chicago Woman, Jet Magazine, Indianapolis Monthly, Los Angeles Sentinel and National Newspaper Publishers Association.
- 2013 - Present** **FIFTH THIRD BANK**
- FREELANCE EDITOR/ WRITER* Edited company newsletter and led bank’s publicity campaign for Black History Month
- 1982 – 2011** **JOHNSON PUBLISHING COMPANY, CHICAGO, IL**
- 1996 – 2011 *SENIOR STAFF EDITOR/
SENIOR WRITER* Senior writer/reporter specializing in the arts, law and justice and education.
- PREVIOUS POSITIONS* Features Editor, Jet (1996-2005)
Associate Editor, Jet (1986-1996)
Assistant Editor, Jet (1982-1986)
Contributing Editor, Ebony and EM (Ebony Man) magazines

1980 – 1982 THE PRESS, ATLANTIC CITY, NJ

*GENERAL ASSIGNMENT
REPORTER*

Covered various aspects of the Atlantic City community.

EDUCATION

1980 Columbia University, New York, NY, Graduate School of Journalism: M.S. degree

1979 – 1980 RCA/NBC Fellowship in Journalism

1979 Columbia College of Columbia University, New York, NY: B.A. degree, English Literature

AWARDS, HONORS, ACTIVITIES

2015-Present Substitute Teacher – Evanston Township High School

2014 The History Makers Honor: A three-hour interview on my legendary career that will be available at the Library of Congress

2013 - Present Mentor/Editor for Columbia College Links, a high school journalism program

2013 Editor/Literary Consultant for Chicago TV legend Merri Dee's memoir, "Life Lessons on Faith, Forgiveness & Grace"

2013 Facilitator, The Op-Ed Project at Emory University

2012 Guest Correspondent: CNN, MSNBC, "The Steve Harvey Show," BET, WBEZ and "The Herb Kent Show"

2010 Legacy Award: Named "the dean of arts and entertainment journalists" by the National Association of Black Journalists

2000 - Present Member, National Association of Black Journalists

1998 National Council on Crime and Delinquency PASS Award for feature story, "Why Are So Many Children Committing Murder?"

1996 Legacy Award/Warner, Elektra, Atlantic Records

1994 - Present Recruiter for Columbia University