

GREG LAMM

ABOUT ME

I am an award-winning reporter, writer and blogger with expertise in banking, retail, media and marketing, the business of sports and technology reporting. I have extensive experience in print and online media. I am adept at telling stories by using sources, public records and narrative writing. I have broken major news in competitive metro markets. I have lead reporting teams at daily newspapers. I also taught reporting and writing classes for journalism students attending the University of Maryland.

EXPERIENCE

Freelance reporter and writer, June 2013 to present.

Reporter, tech blogger, Puget Sound Business Journal. January 2004 – June 2013.

- Core beats included banking, retail and technology.
- Won Pacific Northwest regional and national awards for my enterprise reporting on topics ranging from white-collar crime to the business of sports.
- Editor and lead blogger for the technology site TechFlash, covering giant tech companies such as Microsoft and Amazon, as well as Seattle's startup and venture capital communities.

Metro editor and reporter, The Seattle Times, September to December 2003

- Responsible for deadline and enterprise editing and writing as part of local political reporting team.

Freelance writer and editor in Washington, D.C., September 2001 to August 2003:

Highlights:

- Editor, writer, Fannie Mae Foundation. Edited scholarly journals; researched and wrote foundation's annual report and other reports on affordable-housing issues.
- Writer, Aviation Week's Homeland Security & Defense, a division of The McGraw-Hill Companies. Capital Hill-based coverage focused on lawmaking and spending during the historical national security buildup in the wake of the Sept. 11, 2001, terrorist attacks.
- Assistant news editor, Knight Ridder/Tribune Business News
- Editor, DC Downtown News. Launched a weekly newspaper prototype covering Washington, D.C.'s core business district.

Instructor, Philip Merrill College of Journalism, University of Maryland, College Park, August 2000-December 2001.

- Taught reporting and writing classes while I pursued a Master of Arts degree in a mid-career program.
- Instructor for summer high school workshop for aspiring journalism majors.

City editor, Skagit Valley Herald, Mount Vernon, Wash., August 1995-June 2000.

- Managed a team of reporters who won Northwest journalism awards for environmental coverage and continuing coverage of a deadly accident at an Anacortes, Wash., petroleum refinery.
- Daily and enterprise coverage emphasized key Northwest issues, including growth, salmon protection and tribal affairs.
- Served as acting editor for 11 months overseeing a newsroom staff of 25; part of management team that launched a Sunday edition.
- Sat on the newspaper's editorial board and wrote editorials.

City editor, The Daily Commercial, Leesburg, Fla., November 1991-July 1995.

- Led 11-person staff at a New York Times Co. newspaper in Central Florida.
- Major stories we broke included the Gregory K custody case; a boating accident that killed two members of the Cleveland Indians and the abduction and murder of two small children in Eustis, Fla.

Staff writer, The Tampa Tribune, Tampa, Fla., October 1987-November 1991.

- Covered environmental issues, hospital regulation, politics and breaking crime news.
- Broke news about major environmental disaster at a Tampa Bay phosphate plant. Also broke story about rampant sexual abuse at a state-run detention center for boys with developmental issues.

Business reporter, The Daily Commercial, September 1986-October 1987.

- Wrote about growth and development as sole staff business reporter.
- Won a prestigious Arthur Ochs Sulzberger Chairman's Award from The New York Times Co. for my enterprise reporting on a local developer who was going behind the scenes to convince local elected officials to allow him to build a private marina and restaurant in a public lakefront park.

EDUCATION

University of Maryland College of Journalism, College Park. Master of Arts, December 2001.

- A Phi Kappa Phi graduate with a 4.0 GPA from program for mid-career journalists. Major emphasis on narrative writing, political reporting and computer-assisted reporting.

University of Florida, College of Liberal Arts and Sciences, Gainesville. Bachelor of Arts in political science, 1986.

- Staff writer and assignment editor at the student-run newspaper The Independent Florida Alligator, 1983-1986.
- As a student journalist, I broke a major story on a gang rape at a campus fraternity party. Six students under a secret investigation by police and prosecutors. My reporting sparked protests and a community debate about excessive drinking on campus and the treatment of women. The public outcry prompted the university to ban alcohol from fraternities.

St. Petersburg Times, internship, 1985.

ADDITIONAL TRAINING

PROBIGUA Spanish Language Academy, Antigua, Guatemala, 2002.

The Poynter Institute National Writers' Workshop, Seattle, 1996 and 1997.

American Press Institute City Editors Seminar, Reston, Va., 1993.

ACHIEVEMENTS

A 2011 national Sigma Delta Chi award for "Other People's Money." My series of in-depth stories pulled back the curtain on Seattle financier Darren Berg, who was convicted of fraud and money laundering for orchestrating a Ponzi scheme that cost investors \$140 million.

Society of Professional Journalists, Pacific Northwest Excellence in Journalism, 2011. First Place, General News Reporting for "Other People's Money."

Society of Professional Journalists, Pacific Northwest Excellence in Journalism, 2010. First Place, for government and politics reporting for a series of stories about the mayor of Seattle's rocky relationship with the city's business community.

Society of Professional Journalists, Pacific Northwest Excellence in Journalism, 2008. First Place, Sports Reporting, for "Shooting for Glory," the making of an NCAA Division I basketball program at Seattle University.

C.B. Blethen Memorial Award, 1999. First Place, Distinguished Deadline Reporting. For staff coverage of Anacortes, Wash., refinery explosion that killed six workers on Thanksgiving Eve 1998.

Society of Professional Journalists, Pacific Northwest Excellence in Journalism, 1997. First Place, for special project called "Living with Nature, a Precarious Balance."

"The Rivers of Florida," 1990. Contributing writer for a comprehensive book on the histories and threats to Florida's waterways.

Florida Press Club Public Service Award and New York Times Co. Chairman Arthur O. Sulzberger Award, 1987. For stories about a waterfront developer's cozy deal with the city of Leesburg, Fla.

William Randolph Hearst Certificate of Merit, 1985. For my eyewitness account of a Florida State Prison execution.