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SUMMARY:

Heartland Emmy nominated reporter with years of live reporting, and anchoring, experience. Carries ability to turn accurate stories fast, while maintaining a highly competitive work ethic and quality. Possesses notable experience in live reporting and anchoring, writing, shooting and editing. Also prides work within source development, and social media. Awarded the Damon Runyon Award by the Denver Press Club for excellence in storytelling in 2014.

EXPERIENCE:

KCNC-CBS4 Denver, CO (CBS O&O)

October 2016-Present

Reporter

- Pitch stories at each news meeting
- Work with photographers to turn daily hard-news stories
- Report each story live on-air for the evening newscasts
- Write web copy which furthers each story

KFSM/KXNW CBS Fayetteville, AR (Tribune)

May 2014-October 2016

Weekend Evening Anchor

- Solo-anchor region's No. 1 newscasts weekend nights (5/6/9/10)
- Assist producer during breaking news in writing scripts
- Write, and record, cut-in commercials, and gas station news segments
- Write, and record, several radio segments each shift
- Turn one anchor package

Weeknight Reporter

- Report LIVE weeknights during 4/5/6/9/10 newscasts
- Turn two LIVE VOSOTs per shift
- Turn two LIVE PKGs per shift
- Write web stories for each story covered

Freelance Reporter

The White House: Obama Administration accredited press pool member

August 2010-May 2014

NBA: Denver Nuggets accredited press pool member

August 2013-May 2014

SKILLS:

- Establishing contacts/sources within the community
- Anchoring/Reporting: Heavy emphasis on LIVE reporting breaking news
- Editing/Writing: Final Cut Pro, TONS Heavy, TONS Lite, Ooyala, OPUS, WordPress, iNEWS
- Videography: Panasonic HMC150, Sony EX3, Canon DSLR

HONORS:

- 2014 Damon Runyon Award Winner for Excellence in Storytelling, Denver Press Club
- 2014 Heartland Emmy Nomination for political coverage during a presidential campaign

EDUCATION:

Colorado State University (Fort Collins)

- Bachelor of Liberal Arts degree in Journalism and Technical Communication
 - Concentration: Broadcast Journalism
- Minor in Political Sciences

WEBSITE: <http://www.dillonthomasnews.com/>

REEL: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=6cgjSk4d6vk>