

ARIEL WITTENBERG

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

E&E News • Washington, D.C. • Nov. 2014 — Present

Reporter, Covering Transportation and Defense News Related to Energy and the Environment

- Provide comprehensive, breaking-news coverage of developments on my beats for subscription-based news service
- Write regular in-depth enterprise stories, including recent reporting on the safety of autonomous vehicles and obstacles to widespread adoption of electric cars
- Track Congressional budget process for Departments of Defense, including policy riders on endangered species and public lands

The Standard-Times • New Bedford, Mass. • April 2012 — Oct. 2014

Reporter, Covering the Environment, Health and State Issues

- Named “Rookie of the Year” for 2013 by New England Newspaper and Press Association
- Cover all aspects of busy environmental beat that includes reporting on EPA Superfund Site in New Bedford, community reaction to controversial offshore wind energy projects and wastewater treatment
- Craft regular in-depth Sunday features on topics such as nitrogen pollution, the EPA’s cleanup of toxic contamination and proposals for new \$2.2 billion rail service to service coastal region
- Covered aftermath of Boston Marathon Bombings, with stories republished nationally via the AP
- Report at least two stories daily, including breaking news for regional news website

ProPublica • New York, N.Y. • June 2011 — April 2012

Investigative Reporting Fellow

- Researched and wrote pieces of investigative journalism on topics such as redistricting, energy development, the criminal justice system and social issues
- Assisted a team investigation on racial disparity in federal pardons published in the Washington Post

The Brandeis Hoot • Brandeis University, Waltham, Mass. • April 2008 — May 2011

Editor in Chief of independent student newspaper

- Reported on the influence of race in campus life, education and administration in a five-part series
- Managed 50+ members of editorial board and staff while writing three to eight articles per week
- Expanded investigative and analytical coverage through mentorship of news writers and editors

Center for Public Integrity • Washington, D.C. • June 2010 — August 2010

Financial Reporting Intern

- Researched and wrote investigative articles about financial regulation reform and home foreclosures

AWARDS

Paul Miller Fellowship • 2015-2016

- National Press Foundation fellowship for new Washington, D.C. reporters

Pinnacle Reporting Fellowship • January 2014

- Gatehouse Media parent company fellowship to work on investigative, national story this year.

Top Recognition at Annual New England Newspaper and Press Association competition

- **Investigative Reporting** • 2014 • Second Place
- **Rookie of the Year** • 2013
- **Environmental Reporting** • 2013
- **Science and Technology Reporting** • 2012 • Second Place

Grace Short Book Award • May 2011

- Outstanding Achievement in American Studies at Brandeis University

SKILLS

Computers: Type 80 WPM, InDesign, WordPress, Jazbox, InCopy, Photoshop, Apple Final Cut Pro, Soundtrack Pro

Languages: Intermediate French, Spanish

EDUCATION

Brandeis University • Waltham, Mass.