# Austin R. Ramsey

A trained and experienced multimedia journalist committed to a relevant and meaningful, people-driven, fact-finding mission.

#### **EXPERIENCE**

## **Bloomberg Industry Group,** Arlington, Va. - Reporter

DEC. 2020 - PRESENT

Produce daily and enterprise news coverage of employee-benefits regulation at the U.S. Labor Department, Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation, and IRS.

## **Investigative Reporting Workshop**, Washington, D.C. – *Fellow*

JULY 2019 - DEC. 2020

Reported and wrote data-driven investigations, managed social media and tracked immigration policy; assigned to The Washington Post investigations team.

## **Messenger-Inquirer,** Owensboro, Ky. - Reporter

MAY 2016 - JULY 2019

Monitored government and policy trends for the city of Owensboro, produced weekly podcast; led newsroom investigations.

## McLean County News, Calhoun, Ky. - Editor

JUNE 2015 - MAY 2016

Managed newspaper and online publishing staff for a weekly newspaper; responsibilities included editing, reporting, photography, etc.

## **Murray Ledger & Times,** Murray, Ky. — Reporter/Photographer

OCT. 2013 - JUNE 2015

Developed daily general news coverage for the community and produced several weekly newspaper sections; redesigned online edition.

#### **EDUCATION**

## **American University**, Washington, D.C. — M.A. in Investigative Journalism

JULY 2019 - DEC. 2020

Awarded graduate reporting fellowship and led investigations into water quality among disadvantaged, unincorporated communities in California's Central Valley and water access in Louisiana, served on the School of Communication dean search committee and as graduate student council president.

## **Murray State University,** Murray, Ky. -B.A. in Journalism

AUG. 2010 - MAY 2015

Graduated Magna Cum Laude with a major in journalism and dual political science and photojournalism minors; editor-in-chief of The Murray State News; member of Kappa Tau Alpha National Honor Society in Journalism and Mass Communications and National Collegiate Honors Society.

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#### **SKILLS**

Accurate, timely and objective reporting, editing and writing (AP style); source development; state and federal open-records case management; HTML/CSS website design; audio/video editing; photography; computer-assisted programming and analysis (Excel, SQL, ArcGIS, and Python languages); environmental, geoscience and health journalism experience.

#### **AWARDS**

**Bloomberg** - 2024 Beltz Award for Editorial Excellence in breaking news.

**Ledger & Times** - Kentucky Press Association best overall awards in overall special section design and writing.

**WKMS-FM** - Kentucky Associated Press first-place award in feature writing.

The Murray State News - Kentucky Press Association awards in analytical and investigative reporting, general news, business news and agribusiness writing, plus photojournalism.

#### **DISTINCTIONS**

Delegate: Mid-America Press
Institute Annual Conference ('12);
University of Miami Annual
Collegiate Journalism Workshop ('13);
American Society of News Design
('11-'12); and Kentucky Health News
Conference ('16). Member:
Investigative Reporters & Editors
('17-present), National Press Club
('20-present); and Society for
Advancing Business Editing &
Writing (2020-present), '21-'23
Goldschmidt Fellowship.