

ASSOCIATED PRESS | NEW YORK

Criminal Justice Reporter: April 2014–present

- Reporting on New York City law enforcement and courts for a global audience, focusing on the New York Police Department, state and federal prosecutors and the state attorney general's office.
- Leading AP's reporting on criminal and civil cases against former President Donald Trump, including his New York felony conviction and \$454 million civil fraud verdict.
- Reporting a deep-dive investigation uncovering systemic, previously unreported flaws within the federal Bureau of Prisons, including rampant sexual abuse by workers, severe staffing shortages, inmate escapes and the mishandling of the COVID-19 pandemic.
- Producing all formats spot and enterprise/investigative stories on topics of worldwide interest, including criminal justice reform, COVID-19, #MeToo and criminal cases against Harvey Weinstein, Bill Cosby and other prominent figures.
- Rapid-response reporting on global breaking news — visiting crime scenes, interviewing witnesses, verifying user-generated photos and video, and scouring social media/online postings and public records.

THE CITIZENS' VOICE | WILKES-BARRE, PENNSYLVANIA

City/Investigations Editor: February 2013–April 2014

- Directed all news operations with emphasis on breaking stories, investigative, enterprise and multimedia projects.

Senior Writer: April 2008–February 2013

- Led coverage of Penn State sex abuse scandal, kids-for-cash judicial corruption, and historic flooding; Spearheaded major investigations including stories exposing dangers at a federal penitentiary where an inmate killed a correctional officer.

Municipal Reporter: December 2007–April 2008

- Conveyed the joys and perils of rural life to a wide audience by pairing text stories with video and other multimedia techniques.

THE LONG-ISLANDER | HUNTINGTON, NEW YORK

Reporter/Editor: March 2004–December 2007

- Covered local news and sports for three weekly newspapers with text stories, photos, video and a microsite focused on high school playoffs.

NORTH SHORE NEWS GROUP | SMITHTOWN, NEW YORK

Reporter/Photographer: April 1999–March 2004

- Covered local news and sports for weekly newspapers on Long Island.

THE COMMACK TIMES | COMMACK, NEW YORK

Founder/Editor: May 1998–November 2002

- Launched a newspaper and website reporting on hyperlocal issues.

EDUCATION

Hofstra University

Hempstead, New York

B.A. in Journalism, May 2007

SKILLS/EXPERTISE

- Data and social media reporting.
- FOIA, records and media access.
- Photography and video production.
- Graphic and web/mobile design.

GUEST LECTURER

Columbia, Penn State, Hofstra, Binghamton, Wilkes universities, Kings, Farmingdale State colleges.

HONORS

- Winner – **Oliver S. Gramling Journalism Award**, 2023.
- Finalist – **Goldsmith Prize for Investigative Reporting**, 2023.

ON AIR

TV/video and radio experience:

CNN/MAX

- Nightly reporting and analysis on Donald Trump's criminal trial

ASSOCIATED PRESS

- On-scene breaking news reports, debriefs and broadcast packages.
- Report live for AP clients including **Fox News, C-SPAN, EWTN, ABC Australia** and **Radio New Zealand**.
- Hosted one of AP's first Facebook Lives from 2016 GOP Convention.

CTV NEWS NETWORK

- Reported on Bill Cosby's criminal trials for nightly news programs.

NPR/HERE AND NOW

- Reported on Penn State child sex abuse scandal in 2011 and 2012.

PBS/WVIA-TV

- Hosted "Media Hounds" public affairs program in 2012 and 2013
- Reported on historic flood in 2011.

ONLINE

Stories and clips at michaelsisak.com