

# Brigitte Barry

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## FREELANCE JOURNALIST

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### PROFILE

- Customer-service driven journalist and professional writer with over 10 years of experience
- Known for expertise in handling deadlines and producing tight, accurate copy
- Strong editor in grammar and consolidating content for simplicity and ease of read
- Excellent work ethic, reliable, detail-oriented, organized, self-starter
- Powerful public speaker and presenter
- Seeking exciting new writing projects in print and online media

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**INDUSTRIES** News Media ♦ Business ♦ Education ♦ Family ♦ Healthcare ♦ Entertainment ♦ Features

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### MEDIA EXPERIENCE

*Monmouth Medical Center, Chinese Medical Program (Long Branch, NJ)*

#### Freelance Writer

- Develop marketing flyers, brochures and fund-raising letters
- Research and write biographies for physicians
- Assist on-site at community outreach and fund-raising events

*Houston Chronicle, Houston, Texas*

#### Correspondent

- Freelance writer for *This Week* section: North Montgomery County
- Interview community leaders, residents and local business owners for newsworthy articles
- Publish weekly stories on county, education, politics and community events
- Independently pursued relevant and ongoing stories
- Consistently met deadlines and produced error-free copy
- Published more than 100 articles on hard and soft news
- Published feature articles highlighting community residents, leaders, events and infrastructure

*Organizational Development Systems (Houston, TX)*

#### Technical Writer

- Produce manuals on organizational/professional development
- Edit copy of all training materials
- Expedite production of training materials for clients
- Specialize in assertiveness, organization, systemic or employee deficits

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*Laredo Morning Times*, Laredo, TX

**Reporter**

- General Assignments – city, county, crime, education, spot news and entertainment
- Assisted editors in checking stories for accuracy and grammar
- Independently pursued developing stories and wrote articles on deadline
- Developed and maintained more than 100 community, city and county contacts
- Wrote three-part series on domestic violence- highest number of newspapers sales for series

*The Forest*, Spring, TX

**Contributing Writer**

- Developed features and relevant stories for the local community
- Pitched ideas, researched and wrote articles
- Edited articles for accuracy and grammar

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**EDUCATION**

Bachelor of Arts, University of Houston (Houston, TX)

Major: English

Minor: Radio/Television

A.A.S. Fashion Institute of Technology (New York, NY)

Advertising and Communications

**HONORS**

2011 *Writer's Digest* Annual Writing Competition

Hearst Newspaper Award

Golden Key National Honor Society

**INTERESTS**

- Literature - Books, any genre with a great plot and character development
- Fashion - Accessories and Clothing
- Cinema - International/Foreign Films
- Theater - Musicals and Plays
- Fitness - Hiking, Biking, Walking

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**REFERENCES** (*available upon request*)