

# Arkansas Newspaper Connection

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## CITY HALL REPORTER

The *Arkansas Democrat-Gazette* seeks a smart, serious journalist to cover Arkansas' capital city. We are looking for a reporter who is passionate about accountability journalism, who is savvy and organized, who loves digging and knows how to develop sources and write crisp, clean, airtight copy on deadline. We want a reporter who races to the tough stories rather than shrinks from them.

This is not a job for someone who's always wanted to give journalism a try. We are seeking a reporter whose commitment to the craft is evidenced either by having been trained for the work at a strong journalism school and worked for the school's news organization or one who's developed a resume and a portfolio of clips that shows the kind of work he or she can do. Preferably all of the above. We want professionals, not people looking to start new careers.

If all this sounds like you, email a cover letter, resume and three of your best clips to Executive Editor Lee Wolverton at [lwolverton@adgnewsroom.com](mailto:lwolverton@adgnewsroom.com). The subject line should read: City Hall Reporter. Your clips should be in a ready-to-read format, either in pdf's or Word files or a linked portfolio where your copy can readily be accessed. Those who email links to websites requiring a subscription or links or pdf's that otherwise are unusable won't be considered. Hint: Following directions is the first step toward getting hired.

## SPORTS COPY EDITOR/DESIGNER

The *Arkansas Democrat-Gazette* seeks a versatile wire editor and page designer to join our sports desk in Little Rock.

We are looking for a meticulous professional who is capable of working at a fast pace and wearing many hats, some nights editing national sports stories to fill out the print section and others building pages within it.

The ideal candidate is an experienced copy editor who has also used the Adobe Creative Suite, most importantly InDesign, under strict deadlines. Knowledge of the professional athletes who played their high school and college ball in the state of Arkansas is a plus.

Send a resume, cover letter and samples of your design work (as PDFs) to *Arkansas Democrat-Gazette* Managing Editor Stacy Hawkins at [shawkins@adgnewsroom.com](mailto:shawkins@adgnewsroom.com). The subject line should read: Sports Copy Editor/Designer.

## REPORTER (SOUTHEAST MISSOURI)

Reporter needed to cover government and business in Southeast Missouri. This full-time Monday-Friday position, based in Cape Girardeau, focuses on municipal government and a bustling business community. To apply, send a cover letter, résumé and writing samples to editor Rick Fahr at [rfahr@semissourian.com](mailto:rfahr@semissourian.com) or call (573) 388-3656.

## ASSISTANT MANAGING EDITOR

The *Arkansas Democrat-Gazette*, the state's largest news organization, seeks an organized, ambitious newsroom leader and skilled journalist to help shape the daily journalism that informs Arkansas. This is a rare opportunity for an experienced editor to join our senior leadership team and help shape the future of a statewide newsroom committed to making a difference.

Based in Little Rock, the assistant managing editor will play a central role in setting newsroom priorities, driving our biggest stories and ensuring our journalism is urgent and essential to readers. This leader should be equally comfortable sharpening an accountability story, planning coverage around a major news event and using audience data to understand how our journalism is performing.

As Arkansas' capital and largest city, Little Rock puts you at the center of state government and politics while the *Democrat-Gazette's* statewide reach means your work extends into communities across Arkansas.

Our assistant managing editor will emphasize high-impact journalism, comprehensive coverage planning, strong front-end editing and a sense of urgency. Working across all our desks, this editor will ensure the *Democrat-Gazette* delivers the state's most complete news report each day. We are looking for an editor with a record of outstanding news judgment, deep knowledge of the rudiments of reporting and proficiency in the use and application of metrics. Above all, we want an editor committed to excellence.

### Responsibilities

- Ensure effective planning of daily news coverage
- Apply strong news judgment in story selection and use of resources
- Closely monitor analytics and routinely assess performance
- Instill a sense of urgency
- Drive front-end editing to help us get the best stories
- Enforce sound journalistic standards in reporting and final editing
- Lead a digital-first mind set

### Qualifications

- Ten years of newsroom management experience
- Experienced in use of analytics
- Record of delivering high-quality journalism
- Organizational skill
- Effective communicator
- Fluent in AP style
- Knowledgeable about open government and media law

We are looking exclusively for serious applicants with a record in our field. If the job description sounds like you, and you are eager to take on the challenge, send a cover letter and resume to Executive Editor Lee Wolverton at [lwolverton@adgnewsroom.com](mailto:lwolverton@adgnewsroom.com). The subject line should read: Assistant Managing Editor.

Ads run free for members and students for six weeks.

Deadline is Tuesday 10 a.m.

Email to [lance@arkansaspress.org](mailto:lance@arkansaspress.org).