

# Expert-Level Advertising Copywriter | Content Writer | Journalist | Video Producer

### **CURRENT POSITION:**

### **Copysmith Creative - Kansas City 1995 – Present**

Former ad agency executive turned freelancer who provides expert-level copywriting and storytelling for a wide range of media and industry categories. Skilled across all traditional and digital marketing vehicles. Exceptional interviewer, researcher, and broadcast producer, with additional experience in design.

#### **EXPERIENCE:**

- Branding Skilled at helping clients shape and/or retool their brands. Able to translate findings into brand manuals, positioning, and voice direction that serve as messaging benchmarks.
- Web Content Author of numerous SEO-focused websites from medical/healthcare to insurance, financial, IT, manufacturing, and more. I've also designed websites for my clients.
- Editorial Regular contributor to a variety of online and print publications. Also experienced at developing content for newsletters and promotional magazines. Responsible for researching subject matter, interviewing contacts, writing/editing, image recommendations, etc.
- Blog Content My SEO-focused blogs, tipsheets and how-tos are featured on websites for a wide variety of industries, from senior living communities to banks, healthcare, life insurance, manufacturing, and more.
- Multi-Media Advertising Campaigns Experienced at developing traditional creative for a variety of clients in various industry spaces. Skilled in strategy development, concepting, copywriting, graphic design, look and feel, team management, broadcast production, photo/video direction, etc.
- TV & Web Video Production Ideation, scripting, production direction and editing direction of numerous TV campaigns and web videos in the course of my career, and my work has been recognized with several awards.
- Social Media Posts Experienced in developing social media posts designed to drive viewers to websites, and motivate them to purchase and/or take action.

## **PREVIOUS AD AGENCY POSITIONS:**

#### Stern Advertising, Cleveland, OH – Associate Creative Director

Wrote and produced multi-media campaigns for national and local clients including Kay Jewelers and The Plain Dealer

**Griswold, Inc. – Cleveland, OH - Senior Writer/Producer** Wrote and produced multi-media campaigns for national and local clients including Hoover Vacuum

#### WBK, Cincinnati, OH – Associate Creative Director

Instrumental in helping to build full-service agency ; created multi-media campaigns for Blue Cross Blue Shield, United Way, and the Convention & Visitors Bureau

## Lawler Ballard, Cincinnati, OH - Senior Writer/Producer

Wrote and produced multi-media campaigns for national and local clients including Kings Island Theme Park and Arby's

## Fahlgren & Ferriss, Cincinnati, OH – Writer/Producer

Wrote and produced multi-media campaigns for national and local clients including Valvoline, Bell, and McDonald's

#### **CATEGORY EXPERIENCE:**

Aircraft Agriculture Banking Behavioral Health Consumer Packaged Goods Education Entertainment Fashion/Jewelry Fast Food Women's Health & Fertility Finance, Investment & Accounting Fitness Healthcare Home Furnishings Health Insurance Holistic Therapy Home & Garden IT and Digital Tech Law Firms Life Insurance Manufacturing & Construction Medical Practices and Hospitals Medical Equipment Non-Profits Personal Branding Real Estate Retail Senior Living Communities Wellness & Wellbeing

# JUST A SAMPLING OF THE COUNTLESS CLIENTS I'VE WORKED

- **American Academy of Family Physicians Alliance Bank Ashland Oil BASF Ag Divisions Blue Cross & Blue Shield Cincinnati Convention & Visitors Bureau Cleveland Metropolitan Zoo Delta Dental Demdaco Gifts for Home & Family Dickson-Dively Orthopedic** Farah & Farah Law **Faultless Starch** Fertility Bridge - Fertility Clinic marketing **First Service Bank** Growing America (ag publication) Hallmark, Inc. **Heart 2 Home Home Food Delivery**
- **High Country Gardens Jewish Day Nursery** Jockey **Kansas Farm Bureau** Kay Jewelers & subsidiary brands **Kings Island Theme Park McDonald's franchises** Lehman's Home & Farm Supplies **MedPro Physician's Insurance MetroMedia Publishers** Missouri Department of Tourism Morgan & Haupt Dentistry **New Directions Behavioral Health Olathe Holistic Wellness Collective O Water Payless Shoes Prospect & Vine Home Furnishings Procter & Gamble**
- **Ravtheon Aircraft** SelectQuote Life Insurance Silpada Designs Jewelry Solvative - Digital technology devs Sonic Drive-In Springpoint Senior Living Sprint **Teamsters 41** The Princeton Review Things Remembered **Engraveable Jewelry & Gifts** Topeka Ear Nose & Throat **Total Petroleum United Wav** Valvoline Motor Oil **Veterinary Healthcare Publishers** Wells Fargo Home Mortgage Division

# **SOFTWARE SKILLS:**

Microsoft Office Suite - All Adobe InDesign Adobe Acrobat Proficient in a variety of CMS platforms Google Doc products Project Management Software

#### **EDUCATION:**

University of Cincinnati – BFA Broadcasting & Advertising

#### **COMMUNITY SERVICE:**

Marillac Center - Children's Crafts & Library Hour Program Developer/Instructor Young Rembrandts - Art Instructor University of Kansas - Children's Crafts Instructor