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SUMMARY

Freelance journalist skilled at conceiving and executing high-quality stories. Published in statewide and national media. Previous career in education.

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Portfolio: <https://muckrack.com/john-savage>

SELECTED CLIPS

"The John Birch Society is Back," *Politicomag.com* (July 2017)

"Longview Man on Crusade to Stop 'Liberal Bias' in Textbooks," *Dallas Morning News* (October 2016)

"Where the Confederacy is Rising Again," *Politicomag.com* (August 2016)

"The Waiting Game," *Texas Observer* (October 2015) **Barbara Jordan Media Award winner*

"I Taught at The Worst School in Texas," *Salon.com* (August 2013) *Included in Salon's best essays of 2013

WORK EXPERIENCE

Dallas Morning News, Austin, TX

Covered the 2017 Texas legislative special session.

2017

University of Texas, Austin, TX

2015-2017

Teaching Assistant for reporting and editing classes

Edited student stories — spot news, features and longform — and helped students develop sources and story ideas.

Texas Observer, Austin, TX

2015

Covered the 2015 session of the Texas Legislature.

Southwestern University Upward Bound Program, Georgetown, TX

2003-2013

Academic Advisor/ Assistant Director

Coordinated college-preparation program for economically disadvantaged high school students. Managed \$1 million federal grant. Recruited, interviewed, hired and trained professional program teachers and staff. Promoted to Assistant Director in 2006.

EDUCATION

University of Texas at Austin

2017

Master of Arts, Journalism

University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill

2000

Master of Arts, Teaching

University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill

1997

Bachelor of Arts, History

REFERENCES

Forrest Wilder, Editor, *The Texas Observer*. 512-417-4978, forrest.wilder@gmail.com

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