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OBLIGATIONS TO SOURCES It is imperative that journalists honor their agreements with sources; some have taken great risks in providing information. The papers then identified the worker in their stories, and he was fired. The , revealed a new designed to reflect the key standards and principles of modern journalism.

Journalism ethics and standards

All too often, company publicists answer email questions on behalf of their bosses or clients. Some strategies to mitigate the risk of harassment include: meeting with sources in public places during times of day which fall inside professional boundaries e.

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For example, rules of civil procedure can impose restrictions on subpoenaing a witness who resides, say, more than 150 miles from where a suit is pending. Very few US health insurance providers provide coverage outside of the US and so specific travel medical policies, including adequate medical evacuation coverage for many destinations, should be a prerequisite. WRITING ABOUT FRIENDS AND FAMILY MEMBERS Most newspapers bar reporters from writing about, or including quotes from friends or family members, although there may be some exceptions, if the reporter is open about it.

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But some magazines, digital journalism and many other newsmedia value a strong point of view; the journalist lets the research take them to where they need to go.

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Email answers often tend to be carefully scripted and thus not truly representative of what the source truly thinks.

Shield laws and journalist's privilege: The basics every reporter should know

That starts with dedication to the pursuit of truth and integrity in everyday reporting and writing. However, some states have passed shield laws that offer journalists stronger protections against accusations of libel or naming confidential sources in non-federal cases.

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Journalists must live up to the highest standards of integrity, and by integrity we mean: truth, fairness, sincerity, and avoiding the appearance of a conflict of interest. For our democracy to be truly participatory, JEA believes students must be empowered so they see the value of making a difference. These circumstances are especially troubling, as private companies are increasingly being contracted to take over public responsibilities.

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