

# JUSTICE B. HILL

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## overview

**Distinguished record of performance and workplace achievements. Recognized for excellence in coaching, in recruiting and in managing people. Top-notch writer and editor**

- ❖ Proven management skills; able to take a concept from the drawing board and follow it to completion
- ❖ Outstanding interpersonal skills; extensive experience in working with senior managers, coworkers, clients and general public on all levels
- ❖ A team-builder and first-rate teammate
- ❖ Demonstrated excellence in writing and editing; innovative thinker; superior teaching skills
- ❖ Problem-solver; able to work effectively under the tightest of deadlines and exceed performance objectives
- ❖ Skilled in public presentations; experienced in speaking on a variety of topics either for radio or television

## media experience

### **FREELANCE WRITER**

January 2009-Present

Write blogs for [realclearsports.com](http://realclearsports.com), [bleacherreport.com](http://bleacherreport.com) and [cnati.com](http://cnati.com) as well as for [NBCSports.com](http://NBCSports.com). Also, put together enterprise stories for [NBCSports.com](http://NBCSports.com) and fill in occasionally for beat reporters with [MLB.com](http://MLB.com). Created a Black History Month project in 2009 for [MLB.com](http://MLB.com) on Negro Leagues Baseball (all-time greatest executives in black baseball)

### **SENIOR WRITER: MLB.com**

April 2001-December 2008

Set up and coordinated company's internship program, which provided training for 33 college students each summer. Filled in for site reporters and developed long-term assignments for the summer interns and for the organization. Represented [MLB.com](http://MLB.com), a dominant player on the Internet, at major conferences for journalists of color, at sports journalism seminars, at college campuses and at job fairs across the country. Researched and wrote features, columns and game stories. Built a partnership with Negro Leagues Baseball Museum that led to the establishment of the Sam Lacy Pioneer Award, which honors the sportswriter who embodies the trailblazing spirit of Lacy, a Hall of Fame sportswriter

### **ASSISTANT SPORTS EDITOR: The Seattle Times**

June 1999-March 2001

Oversaw the night operation for *The Times*, an award-winning daily in the Pacific Northwest. Supervised the copy desk and helped train, manage and hire copy editors. Did performance evaluations for copy editors as part of a four-person management team. Duties included meeting deadlines

### **SPORTS EDITOR: The Pittsburgh Tribune Review**

June 1998-June 1999

Managed the daily operations for "The Trib," a growing suburban newspaper in the Pittsburgh area. Helped the newspaper transition from a suburban to a metro daily; establish coverage plans for the section as part of paper's senior management team

**SPORTS EDITOR: The Journal Gazette in Fort Wayne, Ind.**

April 1991-May 1998

Managed a staff of 11 full-timers and six part-timers. Set coverage objectives and worked closely with senior editors to help the newspaper maintain its foothold as the leading newspaper in a two-newspaper city. Also handled recruiting duties. Represented the newspaper at job fairs and at college campuses. Wrote columns with local and national themes, and helped with daily coverage of local events. Set up a writing discussion group with writers and copy editors from various departments around the newspaper

**REPORTER/COPY EDITOR: The Detroit News**

October 1983-August 1988

Edited some of the best sportswriters in America. Moved from editing to reporting and handled a variety of writing assignments as general assignment reporter in news and sports. Also, spent time as a copy editor on the news side and on the editorial page

**classroom experience**

**ADJUNCT PROFESSOR: Ohio University**

January 2006-March 2006

Created a crash course on Sports Reporting; set up and played host to a lecture program with the curator of the Negro Leagues Baseball Museum (lecture was part of Black History Month events)

**ADJUNCT PROFESSOR: Ohio University**

January 2003-March 2003

Developed a course in Sports Reporting; taught Public Affairs Reporting and Contemporary Issues; coordinated with SPJ a journalism seminar on media and sports

**ASSISTANT PROFESSOR: Ohio University**

September 1988-March 1991

Taught journalism courses in editing, ethics, news writing and feature writing as a tenure-track professor for one of the elite journalism programs in the country; developed course in Sports Reporting; received "University Professor Award" for teaching excellence; honored with university award for advising student organizations; mentored students on careers and academic progress; helped direct the college's Minority Journalists Workshop, which provided training and internships for aspiring journalists of color; and organized "Communications Week" program in 1990 for journalism school

**education**

**Ohio State University**

Master's – Public Affairs Reporting

**Ohio State University**

Bachelor's – Public Relations