

# TOLLY TAYLOR

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## SKILLS

- Fluent in spoken and written French after years spent in France and Senegal
- Proficient hosting, recording and editing podcasts; Avid, EDIUS, Adobe Premiere Pro, WordPress

## EXPERIENCE

### Investigative Reporter – WBAL TV News

Baltimore, MD

April 2023-May 2025

- Obtained unpublished Baltimore DPW map revealing 275,000 public/private water service lines needed to be inspected for lead, impacting more than one million water customers (**2024 Capital Emmy, Investigative Reporting – Multiple Parts**)
- Pitched, researched, scripted, edited TV, print and social versions of stories
- Developed and fronted investigative sidebars during breaking news coverage
- Broke national news on ship and bridge inspections, explosives used following Francis Scott Key Bridge collapse
- Broke news of a first-of-its-kind study showing “potentially harmful” levels of toxic forever chemicals in the blood of every Maryland resident tested
- Spent a year investigating one of Maryland’s largest nonprofits, finding nonprofit broke laws resulting in a \$20,000 fine and sparking a Baltimore City Inspector General investigation
- Filed public records requests, constantly juggled 15-20 short- and long-term projects, contributed 3-4 stories per sweeps period, monitored website traffic to determine follow-up stories, coordinated team coverage
- Uncovered Medicare fraud involving COVID tests, discovering at least 293 Maryland residents impacted, resulting in CMS policy change and HHS inspector general report showing fraud nationwide may have hit \$454 million
- Revealed two-thirds of Maryland K-12 public school districts don’t have full-time athletic trainers and uncovering BCPS had none, despite a legal settlement after a student died on the field
- Secured five exclusive interviews with U.S. Transportation Sec. Pete Buttigieg

Providence, RI

### Investigative Reporter – WPRI TV News

March 2021-March 2023

- Uncovered state-led effort in 1970s to build a highway over hundreds of graves and, separately, to dig up nearly 600 graves and rebury the bodies in one mass grave (**2022 Regional Edward R. Murrow Award**)
- Secured exclusive interview with U.S. Department of Transportation Sec. Pete Buttigieg about Rhode Island’s building plans with funding from the American Rescue Plan Act
- Broke story of cyberattack on state transit authority by hackers with Russian ties, obtained ransom note, and later broke follow-up story of U.S. Office for Civil Rights investigating the cyberattack
- Discovered a local town’s main evacuation route would soon be underwater due to climate change
- Wrote every article for my investigative stories

South Bend, Indiana

### Investigative Reporter – WSBT TV NEWS

August 2019-February 2021

- Broke five national stories on Notre Dame’s coronavirus response: testing issues, quarantine problems, football team testing inequity, faculty division and one ignored immunocompromised student
- Covered Pete Buttigieg at 2019 Democratic Presidential Primary live in Detroit and Westerville

### General Assignment Reporter – WSBT TV NEWS

February-July 2019

- Researched, shot, wrote, edited and fronted daily stories on news of the day

## FREELANCE

### CHICAGO TRIBUNE / DETROIT FREE PRESS / LINCOLN JOURNAL STAR

Ann Arbor, Michigan  
March 2017-December 2018

- Wrote features and profiles about Michigan football players, game coverage, and USA Hockey stars

### LAND OF 10-CBS Sports

October 2017-July 2018

- Wrote SEO headlines, reported and analyzed online news cycle to write about Michigan football in a daily column

## EDUCATION

**MEDILL SCHOOL OF JOURNALISM, NORTHWESTERN UNIVERSITY** Master of Science in Journalism, December 2016

**LIBERATION Internship in Paris** Covering 2016 U.S. presidential election for French audience in print and online