

# Drew F. Lawrence

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## WORK EXPERIENCE

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### Freelance Writer

2021 – Present

*The War Horse, Army.mil, Military Veterans in Journalism Member (MVJ)*

- Covering stories about the military and producing soldier feature stories.
  - Published multiple articles, one making the front page of the Army's global news site, another garnering attention from the Defense Department press office. MVJ Operations Manager, volunteer.

### United States Army Officer

2017 – Present

*Armor Officer, 1<sup>st</sup> Squadron, 14<sup>th</sup> Cavalry Regiment, 1-2 Stryker Brigade Combat Team*

*JBLM, WA*

- 1<sup>st</sup> Squadron, 14<sup>th</sup> Cavalry Regiment is a combat unit that provides surveillance and target acquisition.
- Senior Logistics Manager with two years experience in logistics operations.
  - Responsible for all internal logistics in the Squadron to include managing expenses for the unit's budget of \$1.2 million as well as resourcing food, water, fuel, vehicle parts and necessities for 500 soldiers.
  - Instituted safeguards that saved over \$100,000 worth of consumable material.
  - Led a 15-person weapons testing contingent at Aberdeen Proving Grounds, MD for Pentagon research.
- Platoon Leader with over one year experience in small unit operations.
  - Led a 30-person Stryker-equipped Long-Range Reconnaissance Platoon that specializes in deep reconnaissance operations.
  - Responsible for the readiness, training, physical fitness, health, welfare, morale and conduct of the platoon; deployed to U.S.-Mexico Border during *Operation Faithful Patriot*, 2019. Suicide Prevention Officer.
- Honors: Knight of the Order of Saint George: a rare and distinguished Armor award, Hoya Cadet of the Year (2017), Distinguished Military Graduate: top 10 percent of Cadets to commission into the U.S. Army in 2017.

### Planet Forward

2015-2017

*Reporter, Social Media Manager, Events Assistant*

*Washington, D.C.*

- Planet Forward is project of the Center for Innovative Media at the George Washington University School of Media and Public Affairs that teaches, celebrates, and rewards environmental storytelling by college students.
  - Reported on key environmental issues affecting the local D.C. area.
  - Started Planet Forward's Instagram Page; live tweeted several high-profile summits in Washington, D.C.

### GW Hatchet

2014-2015

*Reporter*

*Washington, D.C.*

- Covered general assignments and on-campus news to include student politics and profiles like best-selling author Michael Lewis of *Moneyball* fame.

## EDUCATION

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### The George Washington University

May, 2017

*BA, Journalism and Mass Communication, School of Media and Public Affairs*

*Washington, D.C.*

- *Summa cum laude*; 3.85 GPA.
- Dean's List, 2013-2017.
- Sherman Page Allen and Gridiron Foundation Scholarship recipient; two merit-based journalism awards.

## SKILLS & INTERESTS

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- **Skills:** Open source data research, writing, interviewing, public speaking, tactical planning, supply chain management, navigating military-operated websites, basic military vehicle maintenance; Advanced Excel, Word, PowerPoint skills, capable in Adobe Illustrator, Premiere Pro and DaVinci Resolve.
- **Interests:** Mental health, veteran and soldier counseling; woodworking, ultra-light camping, motorcycle riding.