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I'm a reporter and editor with more than 20 years experience in all types of journalism, including newspapers, television, radio and New Media. I specialize in explaining complex subjects for ordinary readers, including business, science and technology, and terrorism.

Professional Experience

Potomac Books

Author

- I am the author of "Jihad Joe: Americans Who Go to War in the Name of Islam" (May 2011), the first comprehensive look at the history of Americans taking part in jihad and Islamist terrorism, from 1979 to the present.
- Major critics have given acclaim to "Jihad Joe" including:
 - The New York Times <http://nyti.ms/kxJSIY>.
 - Publisher's Weekly <http://bit.ly/i1KzXP>.
 - Zenpundit <http://intelwire.net/l9mPej>.
 - Complete list <http://jihadjoebook.com/testimon.html>.
- The book is based on scores of interviews, as well as thousands of pages of exclusive intelligence, law enforcement and Al Qaeda documents obtained from sources and through the Freedom of Information Act.
- I have been invited to present my research at the National Counterterrorism Center's 2011 annual convention (an audience including intelligence professionals from all U.S. agencies), the Canadian Security Intelligence Service, the New York City Police Department's Intelligence Division, the Association of Former Intelligence Officers, and the Homeland Security Institute of George Washington University, among others.

Freelance Journalist

2001 to present

- I've worked as a freelance writer for local and national publications including The Atlantic, Foreign Policy Magazine, the Boston Globe, the New York Daily News and The Sentinel, the journal of West Point's Combating Terrorism Center.
- I've worked as a business and technology writer for Boston College, Office.com, Individual.com CCBN/StreetEvents and the San Francisco Examiner (under Hearst).
- In radio, I've produced news content for National Public Radio and Public Radio International programming broadcast from Boston's WBUR, including work on *The Connection*, *Here & Now*, and *On Point*.
- I've produced and contributed research to television news and documentary programming on major national and international networks including the National Geographic Channel, Fox News, Al Jazeera and Norway's NRK.

Nielsen Norman Group

Writer, editor and copy editor

2007 to 2009

- I worked as a contract writer and editor for NNG, one of the world's leading technology usability firms.
- As a usability analyst, I evaluated Web sites, intranets and software applications for their design and usability. I created and formatted reports on Web and application usability, derived from case studies and other metrics.
- I was co-author of NNG's book-length reports "2008 Application Design Annual" and "Usability Return on Investment."
- As an editor and copy editor, I worked on a variety of company products, editing for style and content, as well as proofreading. I also helped create NNG's editorial style guide.

Previous experience

- **Individual.com**, Senior Web Producer, 1999 to 2001
- **San Francisco Examiner**, Business Desk, 1998 to 1999
- **Pittsburgh Business Times**, Special Reports Editor, 1993 to 1998
- **Leader Times (Kittanning, Pa.)**, City Editor, 1990 to 1992

References

- References are available on request, and through <http://www.linkedin.com/in/johnmberger>

Recent Clips

- **Foreign Policy:** [Gone but not forgotten, the legacy of Anwar Al-Awlaki](http://intelwire.net/qRwaKP)
<http://intelwire.net/qRwaKP>
- **The Atlantic:** [Anwar Al-Awlaki's links to September 11](http://intelwire.net/nntAKI)
<http://intelwire.net/nntAKI>
- **INTELWIRE:** [Interview with online jihadist Abu Suleiman Al Nasser](http://intelwire.net/o9IqDC)
<http://intelwire.net/o9IqDC>
- **Foreign Policy:** [The Zawahiri Era begins: A Foreign Policy roundtable](http://intelwire.net/177eno)
<http://intelwire.net/177eno>
- **New York Daily News:** [Looking down the barrel of terror](http://intelwire.net/iZ5GZw)
<http://intelwire.net/iZ5GZw>
- **Fox News:** [Fox News Reporting: Secrets of 9/11](http://intelwire.net/lFVan9)
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