# Mike Payton

# **SKILLS**

AP Style, Editorial, Beat Writing, Game Recap, Editing, WordPress, Chorus, Meets Deadlines, On-Air Experience, Interview Experience, News Writing, Podcasting, Radio, SEO, Google Sheets, Excel, Credentialed and Social Media Management.

### **EXPERIENCE**

# Vox Media, Detroit - Columnist/News Writer

April 2016 - PRESENT

- Weekly Columns totalling a million or more views per year
- Game Recap and Coverage earning 15 thousand views or more a week
- Credentialed for games, camp, practice and events
- Training Camp Coverage with focus on news and features
- Breaking News Stories
- Interview Features
- Editorial Features

### Holland Sentinel, Holland - High School/College Beat Writer

August 2015 - PRESENT

- Covering Weekly High School and College Sporting Events.
- News Writing
- Interview Features
- Never missed a deadline

# **IHeartMedia, Grand Rapids** — On-Air Analyst

July 2015 - July 2017

• Provide On-Air Detroit Lions Analysis

#### **SideLion Report, Detroit** - Editor/Beat Writer

April 2015 - April 2016

- Sites most viewed a profitable year ever
- Oversee Daily Operations Of Site
- Editing
- Daily News Writing
- Weekly Column

# Detroit Jock City, Detroit - Staff Writer

December 2014 - April 2015

- Lead site in page views
- Weekly Detroit Lions Column

# **Detroit Lions Alliance, Detroit** - Founder/ Editor in Chief/ Beat Writer

November 2014 - April 2015

- Sold website to FanSided
- Site Design
- Oversee Daily Operations Of Site
- Hiring/Recruiting
- Weekly Column
- Daily News Writing

# **EDUCATION**

# Las Positas College, Livermore, California — Journalism

September 2006 - May 2007

Completed courses in Writing, Photography and Public Speaking.

# Careerline Tech Center, Holland - Media Production

September 2004 - May 2005