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## The Importance of Journalism in the Digital Age

### *An Informational Hearing of the Senate Committee on Judiciary*

December 5, 2023

1:00 pm

UCLA School of Law

385 Charles E Young Dr. E, Room 1310

Los Angeles

### *Agenda*

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#### **I. WELCOME AND OPENING REMARKS BY CHAIR AND COMMITTEE MEMBERS**

#### **II. OVERVIEW: THE STATE OF DIGITAL NEWS**

- Michael Karanicolas, Executive Director, Institute for Technology, Law & Policy, UCLA

#### **III. TECHNOLOGY AND THE NEWS INDUSTRY**

- Brandon Kressin, Partner, Kressin Meador LLC
- Hal Singer, Managing Director, Econ One; Professor, University of Utah; Director, Utah Project
- Richard Gingras, Vice President of News, Google, Inc.
- Lance Knobel, CEO and Co-Founder, Cityside Journalism Initiative
- Matt Pearce, President, Media Guild of the West, The NewsGuild-CWA Local 39213

#### **IV. THE STATE OF NEWS AND REPORTING TODAY**

- Chris Argentieri, President and COO, Los Angeles Times
- Regina Brown Wilson, Executive Director, California Black Media
- Adam Gillitt, Publisher, Alameda Post
- Martha Diaz-Aszkenazy, Publisher, San Fernando Valley Sun
- Arturo Carmona, President, Latino Media Collaborative
- Christa Scharfenberg, Project Director, California Local News Fellowship Program

## **V. A BROADER PERSPECTIVE –INTERNATIONAL MEASURES**

- Courtney C. Radsch, Director, Center for Journalism and Liberty
- Jonathan McHale, Vice President of Digital Trade, Computer & Communications Industry Association
- Thorin Klosowski, Security and Privacy Activist, Electronic Frontier Foundation
- Taylor Owen, Beaverbrook Chair in Media, Ethics and Communications, and Founding Director of The Centre for Media, Technology and Democracy, McGill University

## **VI. PUBLIC COMMENT & CLOSING REMARKS**