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Backgrounder

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Anthony Samuel Policastro's publishing career began in college as editor of the school newspaper and blossomed into several editorial positions in newspapers and magazines, in photography, computer graphics, and the Internet.

His most recent editorial position was Editor-In-Chief of *Carolina Style Magazine*, a national, monthly, 4-color lifestyle magazine similar to *Southern Living*, which highlighted coastal living. It was one of the few magazines that published short fiction, in addition to travel articles, personality pieces and features on interesting lifestyles along the east coast.

He was also a Webmaster for IBM responsible for the creation and upkeep of more than 80 internal and external websites used by IBM's customers and the world at large.

He also created the concept, wrote the script, managed the production and edited the final presentation of several flash presentations for Sony Ericsson Mobile Phones in RTP. Sales and marketing managers at mobile phone manufacturer Sony Ericsson used the presentations to introduce CDMA carriers to Bluetooth features and functions.

After graduating from Penn State University, he worked for a New Jersey daily newspaper working his way up from proofreader to reporter to editor of the weekly entertainment magazine – a position right under the Editor-In-Chief.

He was also a freelance writer and photographer having published articles in the following publications:

The New York Times

TeleProfessional

Popular Photography

American Photographer

Oceans magazine

Business for Central New Jersey

Diversion magazine

New Jersey Living

New Jersey Outdoors

***Humans & Animals*, a college textbook**

He has two BA degrees - one in Creative Writing, and another in American Studies from Penn State University, both of which have greatly enhanced his writing career.

He currently works as the senior business analyst for Lulu.com, the largest do-it-yourself publisher in the world headquartered in Raleigh, NC.

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