



# Barbara Washington

Journalist. Analyst. Copywriter.

Multilingual freelance writer and mortgage loan officer transitioning to cyber threat intelligence. 20+ years of journalism, marketing, sales, and security experience. Impactful investigator and writer. Familiar with culture, crime, and internal conflicts throughout the Mediterranean Basin and coastal U.S. regions. Curious, resilient, analytical, informational, intuitive and persuasive.

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## Education

Self-study course in cybersecurity

### Current Candidate ISC2-CC

NMLS #1625698 - 2017

### Mortgage Loan Originator

Santa Barbara City College 2001-2004

### Multimedia Journalism

## Expertise

- Breaking news, investigations
- Copywriting
- Digital marketing
- Sales
- Security and crisis management
- Trauma and terrorism

## Languages

Native French and fluent English.

Receptive bilingual Spanish, Italian, Catalan, Provençal.

Familiarity with Hebrew, Arabic, German, Swedish, and Portuguese.

## Experience

### 2017-Present

The Washington Lending Team at Movement Mortgage | Wilmington, NC

### Mortgage Loan Officer

- Sales and marketing, networking, community service, fundraising.
- Coaching and leading sales teams, providing marketing support and training.
- Maintaining knowledge of complex guidelines and compliance policies, keeping up with current changes and relevant market shifts, and monitoring related news.
- Researching, collecting, and analyzing data and documentation, and evaluating risk.
- Around-the-clock emergency problem-solving and conflict resolution.
- Tracking and advancing multiple metrics, deadlines, and activities. Keeping all parties informed throughout the process. Explaining complex ideas to non-technical persons.
- Information security and cybersecurity, fraud risk analysis.

### 1998- Present

Self-employed freelancer | Remote in US, France, Italy

### Journalist, Editor, Copywriter, Translator

- Expressing curiosity about the world, and answering my own questions.
- Building and maintaining source relationships, conducting interviews and investigations. (OSINT, HUMINT, SIGINT)
- Analyzing data critically, using sound and ethical judgment.
- Breaking news and investigations, hard news and features.
- Copywriting, content providing, market research, finding and telling the story.
- Editing, translating, and marketing for publication. SEO best practices.

### 1998-2017

Various Organizations | Santa Barbara, CA, Ft. Jackson, SC & Ft Liberty, NC

### Security, Loss Prevention, HUMINT, OSINT

- Asset protection, security, tours, event security, and loss prevention.
- Surveillance, arrests, and interrogations, alongside crisis management.
- Basic HUMINT best practices.
- Basic OSINT best practices, tools.
- Writing reports for law enforcement.
- Combat and survival training, land navigation, field wound care.
- Role-playing in security exercises for training purposes.

## Skills

### Soft Skills

Communication, empathy, attention to detail, analytical thinking, organization, networking, relationship building, information collection, ability to blend in, stealth, vigilance, leadership, negotiation, influence, resilience, adaptability, problem-solving, determination, and creativity.

### Technical Skills

Journalism. AP Style. Copywriting. Digital marketing. B2B, B2C. Social media. Loan, content, and customer management systems. All operating systems. Productivity, design and project management tools. INFOSEC. Light knowledge of programming, cybersecurity, CTI, psychology, and AI.