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We congratulate the 2013 fellows, who represent some of the best and brightest journalistic talent you'll find across the six-state region.

NESNE and the Academy think it makes sense to support the top-notch training provided at the Institute. It's an investment in New England's newsrooms. There's never been a more critical time for journalists to dig deep and keep those in power honest and accountable to the voters and taxpayers. That's what our organizations are all about.

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### New England First Amendment Institute 2013

### DAY ONE: THE VALUE OF TRANSPARENCY

3:15 WELCOME

Mary Jane Wilkinson, president, NEFAC

Walter Robinson, director, Initiative for Investigative Reporting, Northeastern University School of Journalism

3:30 - 4:00 KEYNOTE ADDRESS

Brian McGrory, editor, The Boston Globe

4:00 - 6:00 PANEL: TALES FROM THE TRENCHES

Joe Bergantino, director, New England Center for Investigative Reporting

**David Jackson,** reporter, The Chicago Tribune **Alison Young,** investigative reporter, USA Today

Alexandra Zayas, investigative reporter, Tampa Bay Times

Panelists will share their practical experience in investigative work through painstaking interviewing and use of freedom of information laws to unearth corruption and bring truth to light.

Moderator: Walter Robinson, professor of journalism, Northeastern School of Journalism

6:00 ICEBREAKER

Rosanna Cavanagh, executive director, NEFAC

6:30 DINNER

**DAY TWO:** HOW DO WE HARNESS FREEDOM OF INFORMATION LAWS AND PUBLICLY AVAILABLE DATA TO FURTHER INVESTIGATIONS?

8:45 - 9:45 PANEL: COMMON PITFALLS IN ACCESSING DOCUMENTS THROUGH FOI REQUESTS AND HOW TO RESPOND

**Colin Woodard,** reporter, state and national affairs writer, Portland Press Herald/Maine Sunday Telegram **Tim White,** investigative reporter, WPRI

Sean Murphy, investigative reporter, The Boston Globe

What do you do when your public records request goes nowhere fast? Tips and tricks from reporters who are savvy at getting things done.

Moderator: Mary Jane Wilkinson, president, NEFAC

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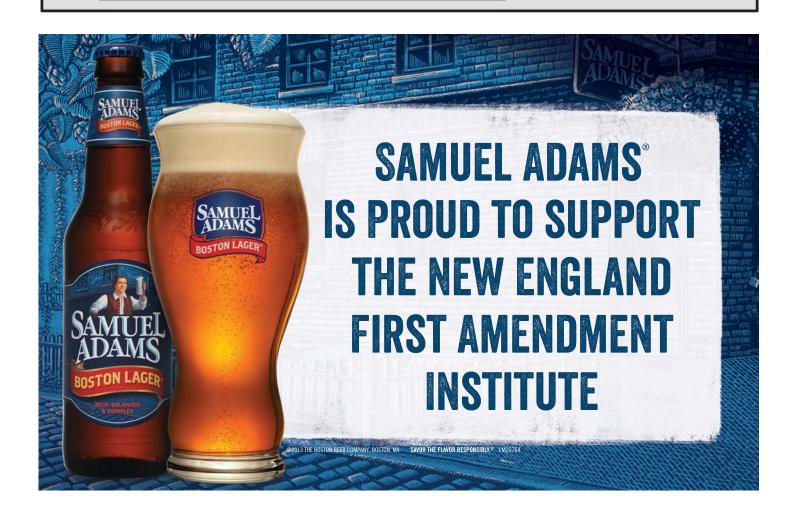
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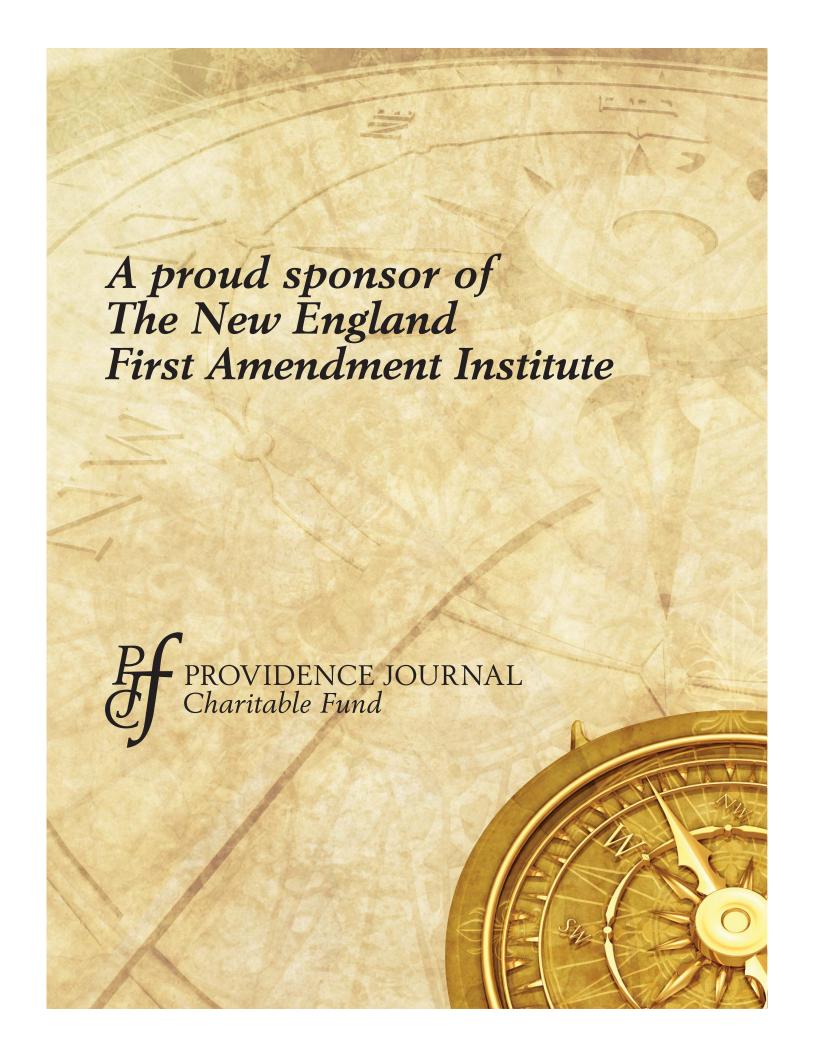
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Oct. 10	Natick, MA
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Oct. 30	Dedham, MA
Feb. 7-8	Boston, MA
	Oct. 26 Oct. 29 Nov. 7 Oct. 30

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## 9:45 - 10:45 PANEL: STAYING OUT OF LEGAL TROUBLE: COMMON ISSUES IN DEFAMATION, INVASION OF PRIVACY, COPYRIGHT AND SUBPOENA AVOIDANCE

Peter Caruso Sr., managing partner, Caruso & Caruso Joseph V. Cavanagh Jr., managing partner, Blish & Cavanagh William Chapman, partner, Orr & Reno Sigmund D. Schutz, partner, PretiFlaherty

Moderator: Gregory V. Sullivan, partner, Malloy & Sullivan

### 10:45 - 12:30 BREAK OUT SESSIONS A

**Connecticut: Colleen Murphy**, executive director and general counsel, State of Connecticut Freedom of Information Commission, and **Lynne DeLucia**, editor, Connecticut Health Investigative Team

New Hampshire: Gregory V. Sullivan and William Chapman

Massachusetts: Peter Caruso Sr. and Laura Crimaldi, producer, boston.com

Maine: Sigmund Schutz and Dieter Bradbury, deputy managing editor/news, Portland Press Herald/

Maine Sunday Telegram

Rhode Island: Joseph V. Cavanagh Jr. and Rosanna Cavanagh

Vermont: Dan Barrett, staff attorney, ACLU Vermont, and Michael Donoghue, reporter, Burlington Free

Press

The specifics of each state's laws and exemptions will be discussed and hands-on cases will be reviewed in break out sessions with knowledgeable attorneys and journalists from each state.

### 12:30 - 1:30 BEAT LUNCHES

**POLITICS: Thomas Fiedler,** dean, Boston University School of Communication **HEALTH CARE: Lynne DeLucia,** editor, Connecticut Health Investigative Team

THE RESUME: Walter Robinson, professor of journalism, Northeastern University School of Journalism

**COURT REPORTING: Richard Gagliuso,** partner, Gagliuso & Gagliuso

**BROADCAST: Tim White,** investigative reporter, WPRI

An informal discussion over lunch on a passion subject with other fellows and a NEFAC Board member.

### 1:30 - 2:30 FEDERAL FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT IN THE HEALTH CARE CONTEXT

Lisa Chedekel, co-founder, Connecticut Health Investigative Team

A hands-on training on doing FOIA requests for health care information from a seasoned health care investigative journalist.

### 2:30 - 3:30 PANEL: RECENT DEVELOPMENTS IN FOIA AND AVENUES FOR SUCCESS

**Elizabeth Ritvo,** partner, Brown Rudnick **Robert Bertsche,** partner, Prince Lobel Tye **Sharyl Attkisson,** investigative correspondent, CBS News

A look at recent cases under the federal Freedom of Information Act and how they impact your work as a journalist. What to do when the response you get to your request is inadequate.

Moderator: Jonathan Albano, partner, Bingham McCutchen



3:30 - 4:30	THINKING THROUGH A STORY FROM HUNCH TO HEADLINE USING AVAILABLE DATABASES
	Walter Robinson, professor of journalism, Northeastern School of Journalism
	So you've got a hunch that something is not right. How do you take your hypothesis and use readily available data to produce a page one story?
4:30 - 6:00	BREAK OUT SESSIONS B
	The Confrontational Interview and Transition to Video: Tim White, Sharyl Attkisson Writing Workshop/Narrative Flow: Dick Lehr, professor of journalism, Boston University College of Communication
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	Writing Workshop/Narrative Flow: Dick Lehr, professor of journalism, Boston University College of Communication  DINNER

### DAY THREE: DIGGING DEEPLY AND LISTENING CAREFULLY

### 9:00 - 10:30 PANEL: EFFECTIVE SOURCING

**Barbara Laker,** investigative reporter, The Philadephia Daily News **Wendy Ruderman,** investigative reporter, The Philadephia Daily News **Anna Schecter,** investigative producer, NBC News

When your FOI request languishes your reporting continues. Developing sources, managing relationships, knowing how to evaluate what you get.

Moderator: Thomas Fiedler, dean, Boston University College of Communication

### 10:30 - 12:30 BREAK OUT SESSIONS C

Basic Database Analysis: Matt Carroll, reporter, The Boston Globe

Advanced Database Analysis: Jennifer LaFleur, director of computer-assisted reporting, ProPublica

Using database technology to analyze publicly available or FOI-request-won data to understand societal, financial, and economic trends is an important tool for the seasoned reporter.

### 12:30 - 1:30 LUNCH BREAK

1:30 - 3:00 DIGGING FOR GOLD IN SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION DOCUMENTS

Todd Wallack, reporter, The Boston Globe

3:00 - 4:30 QUICK HIT INVESTIGATIONS

Maggie Mulvihill, clinical professor of journalism, Boston University College of Communication

How do you produce quality investigative work when time is of the essence? How do you balance investigative projects with other assignments?

### 4:30 CONCLUDING REMARKS

### Rosanna Cavanagh

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