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Résumé

Skills

Copyediting, line editing, substantive editing, medical editing (board-certified [Editor in the Life Sciences](#)), and editing of textbooks and articles for biomedical journals for multilingual authors whose English is not fluent

Areas of Editing

Clinical medicine, surgery, allied health professions, alternative health care, consumer health

Professional Activities and Affiliations

- Award winner, [2017 Distinguished Service Award](#) from the [Council of Science Editors](#)
- Award winner, [2013 Robinson Prize](#) from the [ACES: The Society for Editing](#)
- Creator and curator, [Copyeditors' Knowledge Base](#)
- Owner, [Copyediting-L](#) email discussion list
- Member, [Board of Editors in the Life Sciences](#)
- Member, [Editorial Freelancers Association](#)
- Member, [Council of Science Editors](#)
- Member, [American Medical Writers Association](#)
- Member, [World Association of Medical Editors](#)

Presentations and Publications

- Author of onscreen booklet "[Getting Started as a Freelance Copyeditor](#)"
- **2020:** One of 7 presenters on benefits of being in a mastermind group: [September 22 session of That Word Chat](#)
- **2017:** Contributor to [What Editors Do: The Art, Craft, & Business of Book Editing](#), edited by Peter Ginna. ISBN: 9780226299976.
- **2016:** Expert on author editing, quoted extensively in [Editing Research: The Author Editing Approach to Providing Effective Support to Writers of Research Papers](#), by Valerie Matarese, a biomedical writer and editor. ISBN: 978-1-57387-531-8.
- **2016:** Presenter, "Working with Authors Who Are Non-native English Speakers," and panelist, "Mentoring Roundtable for New Freelancers," national conference of the Editorial Freelancers Association
- **2016:** Presenter, "The Craft and Business of Language Editing and Copyediting: Working as a Freelance Author's Editor," national conference of the Council of Science Editors

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- **2015:** Presenter, “Using Social Media: Making Connections, Building Communities” and “The Unquiet Home Office: Coping with Babies, Children, and Coworking Mates,” and mentor, “Speed Mentoring,” for the *Editing Goes Global* conference sponsored by [Editors Canada](#)
- **2014:** Presenter, “How to Work with an ESL Author” and “Tools for Working with an ESL Author,” audio conferences for *Copyediting* newsletter
- **2013–2018:** Columnist writing *The Business of Copyediting*, published every other month in *Copyediting* newsletter
- **2012:** Featured in "[Generosity and Medical \(Editing\) Advice](#)," published in *Copyediting* newsletter
- **2011:** Featured in "[A Primer on Medical Copyediting](#)," a post on the blog *Angilee Shah's Career GPS*, part of ReportingOnHealth.org
- **2011:** Author, “How to Find and Keep Nonnative English Speakers as Clients,” published in *Copyediting* newsletter
- **2011:** Author, "[Building Good Relationships with ESL Authors](#)," published in *Science Editor*
- **2010:** Presenter, “What Copyeditors Do and Why Your Journal Needs Them,” at the 2010 North American conference of the [International Society of Managing and Technical Editors](#)
- **2010:** Presenter, “Handling Difficult Authors,” audio conference for *Copyediting* newsletter
- **2010:** Coauthor, college textbook [Taking Charge: Your Education, Your Career, Your Life](#), 2nd edition (ISBN: 978-1-934302-83-5)
- **2010, 2011, 2014:** Presenter and panelist (social media; work–life balance) at annual [Communication Central](#) conferences
- **2008:** Presenter, “Common Problems in Medical Editing,” audio conference for *Copyediting* newsletter
- **2007:** Presenter, “Getting Started as a Freelance Editor,” audio conference for *Copyediting* newsletter
- **2007:** Presenter, “Client Management and Self-Marketing for Freelancers,” audio conference for *Copyediting* newsletter

Experience

2014–2016: Managing Editor for the [Journal of Urgent Care Medicine](#)

1995–present: Editorial consultant doing business as [KOK Edit](#)

- Light to heavy copyediting, both medical and general topics
- Substantive editing/rewriting, both medical and general topics
- ESL editing, both medical and general topics

1991–1995: Copyeditor, Churchill Livingstone, New York

1987–1991: Senior production editor, Pocket Books, division of Simon & Schuster, New York

1984–1986: Manuscript editor, Meriwether Publishing, Colorado

1983–1984: Public relations and development manager, Eisenhower Medical Center, Colorado

1980–1982: Reporter and medical writer, *Beaumont Enterprise*, Texas

Education

2008: Board certification, [Editor in the Life Sciences](#)

1980: BA in journalism, University of Houston (Texas)