# LauraBess Kenny

Content Specialist | Marketing Copywriter | Editor

### **EXPERIENCE**

# **E-Commerce Content Specialist**

McKesson Medical-Surgical

April 2021 - Present

Richmond, VA

Medical distributor offering healthcare supplies, care management tools, clinical resources

- Produce written and visual content that supports growth of B2C e-commerce channel.
- Craft SEO-optimized copy for thousands of products for e-comm marketplaces like Amazon, Walmart, eBay, Costco.
- Create and optimize product listings for McKesson's B2C website, which experienced 130% growth and \$15 million increase YOY in its first year after launch.
- Manage digital initiatives and partner with internal stakeholders and external brands to
  execute product launch campaigns, including high-profile products like at-home COVID test
  kits, which made over \$1 million in 2 months
- Design and deliver hundreds of marketing assets, including sales sheets, blog posts, infographics, content overlay images, and more.

#### **Freelance Editor & Writer**

2014 - Present

Richmond, VA

- Proofread and provide content and line edits for novels and short stories.
- Write, proof, and edit content like blog posts, web copy, and proposals for a variety of clients, including vet clinic, creative design agency, marketing agencies, and bathware company.

# **Marketing Specialist**

Sep 2019 - April 2021

### Virginia Farm Bureau Insurance Company

Richmond, VA

Insurance company and agricultural advocacy federation

- Wrote engaging digital marketing copy for web, social media, and emails to generate leads, activate product launches, enable sales, upsell, and cross-sell.
- Crafted tailored email marketing campaigns for 93K+ recipients; first campaign led to 14% increase in online account creation.
- Planned and executed outbound and inbound marketing initiatives to reach target audience through appropriate channels (social media, email, TV, etc.)
- Managed branded content creation for institutional sponsorships like Virginia Tech, UVA, and VCU; early 2021 VT campaign resulted in over 2 million+ impressions.
- Designed and produced sales tools and creative assets for print and digital, such as brochures, signage, and event branding.

# Marketing Content Writer Evergreen Enterprises

Jan 2017 - Sep 2019

Richmond, VA

Garden and home décor wholesaler

- Crafted engaging and informative copy for thousands of home and garden products across several e-commerce channels, including Amazon and Wayfair.
- Produced digital content, including SEO keywords and meta descriptions, for company's first B2C website, which beat its year-end goal by more than 31%.
- Coordinated creation of B2C marketing emails sent twice a week to 43K subscribers; in less than a year, the campaign comprised 11% of total site revenue.
- Wrote and edited copy for catalogs, collections, retail signage, product packaging, B2B projects; adjusted voice based on brand and medium while adhering to all content standards

# **Marketing Coordinator**

Metro Productions

July 2015 - Jan 2017

Richmond, VA

Script-to-screen video production company

- Founded and authored Metro's company blog, which reached a monthly audience of 6.5K.
- Created branded copy and imagery across multiple social platforms like Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, and LinkedIn.
- Wrote and designed marketing collateral, promotional content, and case studies.

## **SKILLS**

- · Writing, Proofreading, Editing, Content Creation
- · Blogging, Press Releases, Social Media Marketing
- Email Marketing (Constant Contact, MailChimp)
- CMS (Magento, Squarespace, Wordpress, Wix)
- · Graphic Design (Canva, Photoshop, InDesign)
- · B2C, B2B2C, B2B Marketing

# CONTACT

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# **ABOUT**

I am a creative, intuitive writer and editor, enthusiastically transforming ideas and research into compelling content. My passion for storytelling translates onto the page or screen, resulting in an authentic and engaging final product.

# EDITED PUBLISHED WORKS

### "The Lemonade Stand"

Scott Loring Sanders, Ellery Queen Mystery Magazine, 2022

#### "Magic 8 Ball"

Scott Loring Sanders, Best American Mystery Stories 2019

#### "The Hookerman's Backyard"

Scott Loring Sanders, Best American Essays 2019

### "Waiting on Joe"

Scott Loring Sanders, Best American Mystery Stories 2018

# Surviving Jersey: Danger & Insanity in the Garden State

Scott Loring Sanders, 2017 (Outpost 19)

# **Shooting Creek and Other Stories**

Scott Loring Sanders, 2017 (Down & Out Books)

# **EDUCATION**

#### Virginia Tech

Bachelor of Arts, Communication May 2014, Blacksburg, VA Magna Cum Laude

