
Times Facts

Steve joined the *Times* in 2001 as the Deputy Bureau Chief of the state capital bureau in Tallahassee. Prior to that he had been the *Miami Herald's* capital bureau chief for two years. Steve writes a weekly column about Florida politics while covering state government, the legislature, the Governor's office and numerous state agencies. In 2005, when Lucy Morgan retired, Steve was promoted to Tallahassee Bureau Chief, where his role is to lead the *Times'* tradition of distinguished coverage in the state capital.

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Steve spent eight years as a television reporter in Rhode Island and Miami and has made numerous appearances on local and network television and radio, including CNN's *Inside Politics* and *Hardball* and Florida Public Radio's *Legislative Report*.

Education

In 1975, Steve graduated with a bachelor's degree in journalism from the University of Rhode Island, and then in 2000, earned his master's degree in History from Florida State University.

Background

Steve began his journalism career as a field reporter and studio anchor for Providence's WEAN-AM — the only 24-hour all-news radio station in Rhode Island. His taste for political reporting was developed in his next assignment as State House reporter for WJAR-TV in Providence where he also produced hour-long news documentaries. He moved to Miami in 1981 as an on-air reporter for the Post-Newsweek station WPLG-TV covering politics and general assignments. He joined the *Miami Herald* in 1984 as an urban affairs reporter responsible for coverage of the legislature and state government. He became the political writer and columnist for their Broward county edition, and also covered county government, tourism and growth. In 1999, he became the Herald's Tallahassee bureau chief and has been a contributor to *The Almanac of Florida Politics*, in 1994, 1998, and 2000.

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