

Blogging and the Press

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Abstract

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Now, the reason why I advertise this, is that [Paul recently blogged about the status of bloggers as members of the press](#). ACS does not seem to think so, though even [the Pulitzer organization disagrees](#). The ACS requires that freelancers are connected to an news organization, and I am wondering wether they would accept Ground Report as such...