

# CELINA TEBOR

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## RELATED WORK EXPERIENCE

**Senior News Editor, National News Hub, CNN**

*Los Angeles, CA*

*December 2025 - Present*

- Lead editorial decision-making for CNN's national coverage, setting strategy and driving key decisions across breaking news, features and long-form storytelling
- Regularly serve as the National News Hub's acting supervisor, overseeing assignments and editorial priorities for a team of dozens of reporters and editors
- Partner with CNN's senior director of continuing coverage to drive editorial strategy and advance major national storylines across the organization
- Evaluate, assign, and advance reporting targets while providing final editorial judgment on copy, framing and story direction

**News Editor, National News Hub, CNN**

*New York, NY*

*August 2024 - December 2025*

**News Editor, New York Bureau, CNN**

*New York, NY*

*November 2022 - August 2024*

**National Breaking News Reporter, USA TODAY**

*Los Angeles, CA*

*October 2021 - November 2022*

- Reported national breaking news to an audience of 8 million daily, traveling nationwide to cover major stories across immigration, criminal justice and border communities
  - Investigated soldier suicides and living conditions under Operation Lone Star, prompting a public response from the Texas Military Department
  - Reported from Uvalde, Texas, after the 2022 school shooting, capturing its reverberating impact through the US-Mexico border community
- Drove audience engagement through live blog coverage of major national stories, including COVID-19 and the Ukraine war, analyzing traffic trends and competitors to optimize SEO and reach

## AWARDS & TRAINING

**Training: Executive Leadership Program**

*Asian American Journalists Association, 2026*

**Award: Emerging Journalist of the Year**

*Asian American Journalists Association, 2023*

**Award: Best reporting in any medium on Latin America**

*Overseas Press Club, The Robert Spiers*

*Benjamin Award, 2020:*

*"Returned," The San Diego Union-Tribune  
(contributing journalist)*

## EDUCATION

**University of San Diego**

*B.A. Political Science, Communication Studies*

## COMMUNITY LEADERSHIP

**Vice President, AAJA New York**

*January 2024 - December 2025*

- Developed strategy for the nation's largest AAJA chapter, with over 500 active members
- Secured \$100k grant from NYC Public Schools to promote journalism diversity in NYC education
- Managed projects, oversaw committees and events, and organized board meetings

**Social Media Vice President, AAJA Portland**

*January 2021 - December 2023*

- Wrote grant proposals and built relationships with funders, securing \$10,000 in grants
- Managed all social media accounts for chapter