Former Fox 32 News Anchor Rafer Weigel Returns to the Anchor Chair

Rafer Weigel says that A journalist, or reporter, is in charge of gathering information, employing a fair and unbiased viewpoint, and creating news pieces and tales about actual occurrences.



Chicago, **Illinois Nov 7**, **2022** (<u>Issuewire.com</u>) - Former Fox 32 Chicago news anchor <u>Rafer Weigel</u> will be returning to the anchor desk after taking a two-year absence from the industry. Weigel will be joining the independent news outlet KUSI-TV in San Diego.

"This is an inspiring "homecoming moment," since KUSI is the station where he began my TV journalism career in 2005," Weigel said. "he reunited with Steve Cohen, a major professional influence, and a tremendously facile news director.

"He's back as an enormously grateful man. Since my previous time in #SanDiego, He long considered it one of the best TV #news locations in the nation."

The Emmy Award-winning journalist left TV news in 2020 during the pandemic to start his own video production company, Weigel Media Group, and later morphed it into a full-service digital marketing and PR agency, WMG Communications.

"It's been a great two years running a successful business," says Weigel. "But he is extremely passionate about journalism and the chance to work at a great station that is known for having great journalism integrity was an opportunity I had to embrace."

Weigel's duties will include reporting—a role he's very familiar with. He earned national notoriety for his reporting on the Jussie Smollett case as the first reporter to break the story that Chicago police were skeptical of Smollett's claims and later charged the actor with staging a fake hate crime.

Now he gets to escape the winter weather while still bearing the responsibility of reporting in a major market.

"San Diego is the greatest city in America to me," says Weigel. "It's a big, small town but with big city problems. The issues facing San Diegans are the same issues facing most Californians—a massive homeless population problem, government waste, high taxes, and rising crime. The news has a responsibility to hold officials accountable. It's crucial to our democracy. I plan to do my part."

The move is also deeply personal for Weigel, who will now be closer to his 12-year-old son who lives in Las Vegas.

He had already gotten our surfboards. He's counting down the days until he gets there."





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