Gray News Directors and General Managers:

Mark Little, WLBT's News Director since 2018, has done an amazing job leading the WLBT News Team. He lead the charge on many major initiatives, i.e. TMP, new graphics, newsroom remodel, weather deck, OTT desk, a complete renovation of our studio and new news set, and the biggest of all… operating and managing through nearly two years of COVID challenges. Mark has shown amazing leadership. And when someone does such a great job, new opportunities open up. Next month Mark joins Jonathan Mitchell's team as the ND at WMC. We obviously hate to lose Mark as our news leader, but ultimately this promotion is the right decision for Mark, his family, his career… and WMC. As you probably know, he's a Missouri guy and he will be much closer to his kids, his parents and Ellen's parents.

So… the search now begins for his replacement at WLBT.

WLBT is Mississippi's flagship station and the dominant #1 local TV and digital media in Central & Southwest Mississippi. We are an NBC affiliate that consistently produces award winning local news coverage. Jackson, MS is market #97 serving a 24 county region. It is Mississippi's largest TV market and state capital, offering great museums, several local universities, and home to the largest medical facilities in the state, including the prestigious University of Mississippi Medical Center. With our great weather, Mississippi is about the outdoors. An extensive network of walking, running and cycling trails is available across the metro. And if you love a weekend getaway, Jackson is located within a short drive from beautiful Gulf Coast beaches, New Orleans, Memphis, Birmingham, Nashville, Dallas and Atlanta. The Jackson metro is the economic hub of Mississippi and a great place to work, live, and raise a family. CLICK HERE to watch a sizzle reel on why joining the WLBT Team could be a great opportunity.

If you know of someone who would be a good candidate for the WLBT ND spot, please send them my way. Hopefully the link to apply will be posted on the Gray Careers site tomorrow.

Thanks for your help.

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After an extensive national search I'm pleased to announce Mark Little as the next News Director here at Action News 5.

Mark comes to us from our sister station, WLBT in Jackson, Mississippi where he has spent the last four years as News Director.

Mark joins us with more than 20 years of experience as a news director leading newsroom in Mississippi, South Carolina and Missouri. He's spent all of those years as a news director within our company either as Raycom or now Gray Television.

Prior to becoming a news director, Mark spent several years in newsroom leadership roles in the St. Louis market at KPLR.

I've had the great pleasure of knowing Mark professionally for about 20 years. I'm thrilled to have someone with his experience and passion for journalism joining our team.

Mark and his wife Ellen will be relocating to the Mid-South in March, but you can expect to see him in our newsroom for some visits prior to him taking over permanently.

Congrats to Mark and welcome to our team!

Best,
Jonathan

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