

# Jason Mikell, Meteorologist, WKYC

A southern gentleman at heart, Jason Mikell joined the 3News team in September 2021 from Austin, Texas, where he was a meteorologist, traffic reporter and an Emmy-nominated morning anchor.

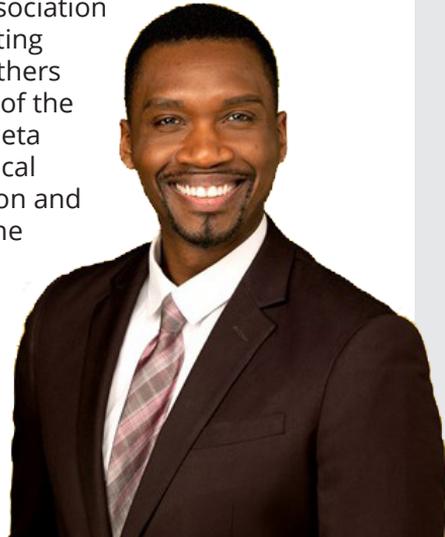
Jason previously worked in the Buckeye State at WLIO in Lima, Ohio, beginning in 2016 as weekend meteorologist and later that year promoted to Chief Meteorologist. His love for meteorology began at a very young age growing up in south Mississippi.

"Severe storms was a huge interest of mine growing up. From watching my local station WDAM, the tornado drills at school, to living through one of the most destructive storms in US history: Hurricane Katrina. All of it impacted my decision to return to school in pursuit of my second degree: Meteorology."

Jason is a graduate of the University of Southern Mississippi with a Bachelor's of Science in Psychology with an emphasis in Human Resources. After graduation, he moved to Philadelphia where he worked in recruitment for Behavioral Health followed by Creative. After several years in that industry, he pursued a Bachelor's of Science in Operational Meteorology from Mississippi State University where he graduated with honors.

Jason has received numerous awards in his lifetime including a State Championship victory, raising more than \$7,500 in the Real Men Wear Pink campaign for breast cancer through the American Cancer Society, being named to the Ohio School Boards Association Media Honor Roll and even a Best Handwriting Contest. He is former "Big" with the Big Brothers Big Sisters organization, a current member of the Gamma Theta Upsilon fraternity, the Phi Theta Kappa fraternity, the American Meteorological Society and the National Weather Association and previously served as a Board Member for the Austin LGBT Chamber of Commerce.

A self-proclaimed foodie and huge music lover, travel is one of Jason's biggest interests.



## Master of Ceremonies