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Prior to POLITICO, Marinucci was the senior political writer for the San Francisco Chronicle, where she covered presidential elections since 1996, and six gubernatorial elections, on the road with candidates from Bill Clinton to Arnold Schwarzenegger. Formerly an investigative reporter, she has also covered international events including the fall of the Soviet Union and the opening of business markets in China, and done award-winning in-depth reporting on issues ranging from organized crime and drug wars, to abuse of immigrant laborers.

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The Society of Professional Journalists of Northern California in 2013 awarded Marinucci its Lifetime Achievement Award. She has also consistently been named by the Washington Post as one of California's best political writers and leaders on social media including Twitter, where she has over 20,000 followers.