

*From Mark Bunting at WKRG:*

*I regret to announce that Mike Rausch has submitted his resignation to me and his last day at WKRG/CW55 will be Friday October 14. Mike started his job here seven years ago, and from his first day this television station has witnessed a dramatic improvement in our news product at every level. Mike brought to us the use of cutting edge technology, the ability to maximize our personnel resources, and a more progressive look to our news product just to name a few items. He is also credited with bringing The Great Toy Drive to WKRG. Mike is heading out West to Colorado Springs to take over as News Director at the ABC affiliate KRDO. On behalf of everyone at WKRG and CW55, I want to thank Mike for his true dedication to our mission and wish him, his wife Sarah, and their daughter Hayley all the best on their next venture.*

**From:** Tim Larson  
**Sent:** Monday, October 03, 2016 1:31 PM  
**Cc:** 'Mike Rausch'  
**Subject:** New KRDO ND

Tim Larson and Mike Rausch are putting the band back together! After working together almost thirty years ago I am pleased to announce Mike Rausch is joining KRDO as News Director here in Colorado Springs. Mike and I first worked together at WIVB-TV in Buffalo, NY (we took WIVB to #1). From Buffalo, he held News Director jobs in Rochester, NY; Louisville, KY; Portland, OR (twice); Orlando, FL; and most recently WKRG in Mobile, AL (#1 station in the market). Just this past year, WKRG-TV in Mobile was named the best TV station in Alabama by the Alabama Broadcasters Association and was also named Best News Operation in Alabama by the Associated Press.

As you can see, Mike is a winner and has displayed that attribute everywhere he has been a News Director. He has also participated in several internet startup operations and is a recognized as a technology leader. Under his leadership Mike's newsrooms have won multiple Murrow, RTDNA and AP awards.

**Tim Larson**  
**KRDO General Manager**