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Maribel Perez Wadsworth runs the news division of Gannett Media, overseeing more than 4,000 journalists across 250 local news organizations and the flagship *USA TODAY*. She has been with Gannett for nearly 25 years, beginning as a reporter at the *Rockford (Illinois) Register Star*. In 2015, she was named Gannett's first chief strategy and transformation officer. Under Perez Wadsworth's leadership, Gannett newsrooms have been recognized with four Pulitzer Prizes in the past three years.

In 2016, then-U.S. Secretary of Commerce Penny Pritzker appointed Perez Wadsworth to a two-year term on the National Advisory Council on Innovation and Entrepreneurship. She currently serves on the boards of directors of the Associated Press, Skillshare, the News Media Alliance, and the International News Media Association.

A graduate of the School of Communication, Perez Wadsworth serves as co-chair of its Dean's Advisory Committee. She also serves on the University of Miami Board of Trustees and is president-elect of the Alumni Board of Directors. In 2020, Perez Wadsworth was tapped for the Iron Arrow Honor Society, the highest distinction to be attained at the University.