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Congratulations!

TO: Grant Tarvin
FROM: Larry Caruso, Chair, Governance Committee
Kenneth M. Smith Scholarship Fund
DATE: May 1, 2015
SUBJ: 2015 Smith Scholars Announcement

Congratulations! You have been selected as one of the sixteen (16) Smith Scholars for 2015!

The JAG Board of Directors established the Kenneth M. Smith Scholarship Fund in honor of the extraordinary leadership and service of the first and only President and Chief Executive Officer of Jobs for America's Graduates, Inc., Kenneth M. Smith.

The Governance and Scholars Committees of the Kenneth M. Smith Scholarship Fund invested considerable time in reviewing the applications, transcripts, essays and support letters submitted by the 94 JAG applicants. You should be proud of your accomplishment since only sixteen (16) applicants will be recognized as a 2015 Smith Scholar. We are most pleased that JAG Board members, partners and staff contribute to the Kenneth M. Smith Scholarship Fund. Two (2) second year Smith Scholars will receive a \$2,000 scholarship and the fourteen (14) first year Smith Scholars will receive a \$1,000 scholarship.

Since you are receiving the scholarship that bears the President of JAG's name, you are expected to send an update twice a year (prior to January 1 and June 1) to let us report your progress in completing your degree (GPA in particular) and where you are employed. By submitting a January 1 and June 1 report, you will be eligible to reapply for a follow-on scholarship as a 2016 Smith Scholar.

Please review the attached Commitment Form and return it to JAG at your earliest convenience. Once we receive the signed commitment form and the information requested, you will receive the JAG scholarship check in the amount of **\$1,000**.

Best wishes for a successful first year in pursuit of your collegiate education. If questions arise, please contact Dr. Jim Koening at 972.691.4486 or jim.koeninger@jag.org. Congratulations!

Enclosure: Commitment Form

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