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### **NCBFAA Awards Illinois College Student \$5,000 Scholarship**

**Washington DC:** The National Customs Brokers and Forwarders Association of America, Inc. (NCBFAA) is pleased to announce that the winner of the 2017 \$5,000 Annual Scholarship is William Jansen. William is enrolled at William Rainey Harper College in Palatine, IL, and plans to sit for the Customs Brokers License Examination. He is the son of Tina Jansen, VP - Import Compliance and Services with MIQ Company in Chicago, IL.

“It was a great surprise to me that the NCBFAA selected my essay as the winning entry and I am honored to have been chosen to receive this scholarship that I can assure you will help with my studies,” William told the NCBFAA. “I am also grateful to Roanoke for sponsoring this competition and providing this opportunity to students like myself.”

As the scholarship winner, William is invited to join the NCBFAA members at their Annual Conference at the Hilton New Orleans Riverside in New Orleans, LA where a representative of Scholarship-sponsor Roanoke Trade will present him with the award during the Conference Opening Breakfast on April 3.

To qualify for the award, he submitted an essay on the topic, “Will the Trans Pacific Partnership benefit or harm American workers and American businesses?” which was judged by an NCBFAA panel of experts to be the winner.

This is the 24th year that the NCBFAA has promoted this scholarship competition as a way to further education in our industry. By helping students defray the cost of learning about the customs broker and forwarder businesses, the NCBFAA scholarship program contributes to the increasing professionalism of our industry and encourages those seeking a career in international trade and commerce. Roanoke Trade is a specialty broker of insurance and surety solutions for transportation intermediaries, 3PLs, custom brokers and companies with global supply chains. Specifically designed for your industry, Roanoke Trade offers essential insurance-related products including: Shippers Interest, Cargo Legal, Contingent Cargo, Motor Truck Cargo, Errors & Omissions, ATA Carnets, Surety/Bonds and Property and General Liability. Roanoke Trade is a division of Roanoke Insurance Group Inc., a subsidiary of Munich Re as well as an affiliate of Munich Re Syndicate, Ltd. Roanoke Insurance Group employs approximately 200 employees across 10 U.S. locations with its focus on providing targeted insurance solutions backed by agile service and technology.

Headquartered in Washington, DC, the NCBFAA represents more than 1,000 member companies with 100,000 employees in international trade - the nation's leading freight forwarders, customs brokers, ocean transportation intermediaries (OTIs), NVOCCs and air cargo agents, serving more than 250,000 importers and exporters. Established in 1897 in New York, NCBFAA is considered the national voice of the industry. Through its various committees, counsel and representatives, the Association maintains a close watch over legislative and regulatory issues that affect its members. It keeps them informed of these and other related issues through its weekly Monday Morning eBriefing and various meetings as well as conferences throughout the year.

With this 2017 Scholarship, the NCBFAA and Roanoke Trade are proud to continue to facilitate youthful engagement in this industry.

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**PS:** If your beat or your publication focus is on the transportation logistics industry, its participants, its challenges, or any aspect of its commercial activity, then chances are very good that you will find many newsworthy issues to share with your readers at the 2017 NCBFAA Annual Conference in New Orleans, LA. If you agree, why not join us there to hear the news firsthand. As a representative of the press, you will enjoy a free pass to all the sessions (unless restricted), and social events, as well as access to speakers, leadership, and guests. Contact Tom Mathers at [tmathers@ncbfaa.org](mailto:tmathers@ncbfaa.org) or 202-466-0222 with questions or to register.