

# The Reverend Robert & Sarah (Winter) Jordan Foundation, Inc.



## Letter to Prospective Applicants:

The Reverend Robert & Sarah (Winter) Jordan Foundation Scholarship program's primary objective is to assist any descendant of the Rev. Robert & Sarah (Winter) Jordan in obtaining the education and skills training they need to achieve personal career educational goals.

You are eligible to apply if you:

1. Are a graduating high school senior.
2. You are enrolled in an undergraduate or vocational training program.
3. Can substantiate your Rev. Robert and Sarah (Winter) Jordan lineage.
4. Submit a \$25.00 application fee with your application.

selected applicants qualify for 1 lifetime, \$1,000.00 scholarship award.

Please read the application instructions carefully before proceeding.

## Reference letters:

1. Three (3) reference letters are required of all applicants. 1 academic letter, 2 others.
2. The Personal Reference Form should be given to each reference respondent.
3. Reference letters must be on letterhead stationary, no exceptions.
4. Each reference must be original, no photo-copies are allowed.
5. Reference letters should be sealed with clear tape and signed by the reference respondent.
6. Failure to adhere to these guidelines will mean the loss of points of the applicants score.

All qualified applications must be RECEIVED by April 1, (NOT postmarked by this date) For the year in which the scholarship application is made. In order for your application to be received on time, mail well in advance of the April 1<sup>st</sup>. deadline.

Give people writing your references sufficient time to complete and return them to you, to enable you to meet the required deadlines.

Be neat, typing your application is strongly recommended, especially the essay portions of the application. Ask the people writing your references to type their Personal Reference Letters, if possible.

Limit your response to the space provided.

Don't forget to sign your completed application and retain a copy for your files. Feel free to contact the Scholarship Chair if you have any questions regarding the application process.

Sincerely,

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## National Scholarship Procedures

### APPLICATIONS:

Scholarship applications become available in the fall, but no later than October 1 each year. An applicant may download a copy from the Jordan Family Foundation web site ([www.familyjordan.com](http://www.familyjordan.com)) or request one to be mailed from the Scholarship Awards Committee Chair. All applicants must meet the April 1 deadline each year. If April 1 falls on a weekend, the deadline is moved to the first Monday following April 1.

### JUDGES:

Regional Trustees make the selection of judges annually from the New England, Atlantic, Central and Western State regions.

### SCORING:

Each regional judge scores the criteria with a 150 point score with a possible 600 points.

1. School and Community Awards and Achievements (30 points)
2. Personal Statement (30 points)
3. Essay Question (60 points)
4. Quality of References (30 points)

Each applicant must reach an accumulated score of 390 or 65% of the total to qualify.

A "Lineage Chart" is required for initial eligibility but it is not scored.

All judges return "Judges Scoring Sheet" to the Chair of the Scholarship Committee for tallying within 10 days after initial receipt.

The three applicants with the highest accumulated score receives a scholarship.

The highest scoring applicant is named the "Noreen Hannah Scholarship" recipient, named for Noreen Hannah who was the first scholarship chair, served for sixteen years and created the scholarship program.

### NOTIFICATION:

Before the second day following the completion of the final tally, winners are contacted. A congratulatory letter and "Verification of Attendance" form for school completion is sent to each awardee.

Regional Trustees receive a copy of the congratulatory letter sent to the winners.

A framed certificate and a brief history of the scholarship are sent to the school principal or counselor to be presented at the school graduates awards assembly

### NEWSLETTER ARTICLE:

A recent photograph and a background statement that includes the student's career goals and statements extrapolated from reference letters are sent to the national newsletter editor for publication in the spring issue of the Jordan Family Newsletter "The Jordan".

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## PERSONAL REFERENCE FORM

### The Jordan Family Scholarship Program

NAME: \_\_\_\_\_  
(Applicant: Please fill in your name above before giving this form to the person writing the reference)

To the respondent: Thank you taking the time to provide this personal reference for the Rev. Robert & Sarah (Winter) Jordan Foundation's National Scholarship applicant.

All references must be on a letterhead: personal, business or school letterhead. References must be original, copies are not allowed. Typing is preferred as copies must be made for the four regional judges.

Please return the reference letter to the applicant in a timely fashion as an established deadline is strictly maintained. The letter envelope should be sealed with clear tape and your signature across the tape.

Please use your personal knowledge of this candidate and include as much of this information as possible. Points in the scoring system are awarded for the quality of the reference.

- How long have you known the candidate, and in what capacity?
- Is the applicant motivated?
- How the applicant has demonstrated a strong sense of responsibility.
- How the applicant demonstrates strength of character.
- Does the applicant have clear goals.
- Would the applicant be an inspiration to others?
- What is your knowledge of the candidates career goals?
- Please share what you believe to be the candidate's particular strengths.
- Feel free to offer other information that you would like to share that has not been addressed.

Please include:      Name, Title  
                                 Organization  
                                 Address  
                                 Telephone  
                                 Email address

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Jordan Scholarship Application

**General Instructions:**

- Applicant must meet eligibility requirements
- Application and reference letters should be typed or printed in black ink.
- Scholarship applications are available on this website or from the Scholarship Chair, on or before October 1 of the year preceding that for which the scholarship is being requested.
- Include a 3X5 head shot photo in black and white with the application.
- A check in the amount of \$25.00 made out to the Jordan Foundation Scholarship, must accompany the application.
- Completed applications with required reference letters must be received on or before April 1<sup>st</sup> of the year for which application is being made. All required materials should be mailed to the Jordan Scholarship Chair well in advance of the April 1<sup>st</sup> deadline. Applications received after that date will not qualify.

**Part 1. PERSONAL DATA**

Name \_\_\_\_\_  
(Last) (First) (Middle Initial)

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City/State \_\_\_\_\_

Date of Birth \_\_\_\_\_  
(Month) (Date) (Year) (email address)

Signature of Applicant

Date

## **Part 2, CAREER GOALS**

Section 1:

A. Are you not a freshman? \_\_\_\_\_

B. What is your proposed program of study?

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C. List below the school(s) to which you have applied or been accepted.  
(Trade School, Community College, University)

D. Grade Point Average (GPA): Accumulated \_\_\_\_\_ Current \_\_\_\_\_

E. Describe any educational achievements or awards you have earned. You may use a separate page if needed. If you choose to add a page, please enter: "see attached" at Section E. and list all achievements or awards on the attached page.

F. Describe your educational and career goals.

G. References: Submit three (3) "Personal Reference" letters, see previous instructions within this section. See "Personal Reference Form". References should be from persons NOT related to you and submitted with this completed application.

### **Part 3, PERSONAL STATEMENT**

Explain in your own words why you would make a good Jordan Scholarship recipient.

## **Part 4, LINEAGE**

Provide a one page family lineage chart showing your direct lineage to the Rev. Robert & Sarah (Winter) Jordan. The page will not be submitted to the judges but will be used for qualifying applications.

### **Suggested Reference Sources are:**

- **The Family Jordan** – Genealogy Book Set – Vol. 1-3. Penobscot Press, Camden, Maine (out of print)
- **The Jordan Memorial** – Tristram Frost Jordan – Picton Press, Camden, Maine (out of print)
- **Jordan Family Descendants** – Charles M. Jordan – Anundsen Press, Decora, Iowa (out of print)
- **The above books may available from various Jordan family members.**

### **The following libraries have the Family Jordan Genealogy Book Set – Vol.1-3**

#### NEW ENGLAND REGION

Auburn, Maine – Auburn Public Library  
Augusta, Maine – State of Maine Public Library  
Boston, Massachusetts – New England Historical Society  
Cape Elizabeth, Maine – Thomas Memorial Library  
Concord, New Hampshire – New Hampshire Historical Society  
Prospect Harbor, Maine – Dorcas Library

#### ATLANTIC STATES REGION

Washington, D.C. – Library of Congress  
Washington, D.C. – Registrar of Copyrights  
Orlando, Florida – Orange County Library System

#### NORTH CENTRAL REGION

Chicago, Illinois – Newberry Library  
Fort Wayne, Indiana - Allen County Public Library  
Cedar Rapids, Iowa – Linn County Genealogical Library

#### SOUTH CENTRAL REGION

Houston, Texas – Clayton Library

#### WESTERN STATES REGION

Camp Verde, Arizona – Camp Verde Historical Society  
Napa, California – Napa Valley Genealogical & Biographical Society  
Salt Lake City, Utah – Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints  
San Francisco, California – Sutro Library  
Seattle, Washington – Seattle Public Library

#### CONTACT PERSON

Genealogy Archivist:  
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*A full 30 years before Judge Sewall of Boston condemned Mr. G. Burroughs of Salem, Massachusetts to execution for the crime of witchcraft there was a witchcraft incident near Richmond Island, near the home of Rev. Robert Jordan in 1659. Witchcraft hysteria prevailed in Europe at the time and was gaining ground in the colonies.*

*A Mr. Thorpe a drunken preacher, was at Black Point and boarded at the home of Goody Bailey. Goody recognized the preacher's way and that it was contrary of the gospel, she asked him to shape up or leave. He left and looked for an opportunity to do injury to his new enemy. Goody traveled one day to Casco Bay, apparently walking. It fell that the Rev. Robert Jordan of Spurwink had a cow that died. Mr. Jordan's man was approached by Thorpe and said the cow was bewitched to death and he should take it to a place he designated and burn it and that would bring out the witch. On the path from Black Point to Casco, the cow was placed and burned. Goody Bailey came by way of the path while the carcass was burning and Thorpe questioned her for a witch. Rev. Robert interceded and said his cow had died as a result of his servant's negligence and his man had conspired with Thorpe to have it imputed to Witchcraft.*

*Rev. Robert unriddled the knavery and delivered the innocent. It was said that Rev. Robert Jordan weighed matters of this kind by the standard of common sense. It has also been surmised that Rev. Robert Jordan had an active part in not letting the hysteria of witchcraft invade the province of Maine.*

### **Part 5, ESSAY QUESTION**

Use the next page (Page 6) to write an essay of **not more than 300 words** by answering the following question.

**Read the above true information about Rev. Robert Jordan. Write an essay about what you think about your famous ancestor.**

*The above story is excerpted from "Portland in the Past" by William Goold, published 1886.*



**PART 5, ESSAY QUESTION ANSWER**