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New England First Amendment Institute Fellowship

Application, Deadline August 20, 2013

The New England First Amendment Institute will select 25 journalists – editors and reporters alike – to attend a three-day intensive training course on freedom of information laws and investigative techniques from Sept. 29-Oct. 1 in Dedham, Massachusetts. To be eligible, an applicant must be a working journalist in print, digital or broadcast media in New England. Applicants currently working for a news organization must submit letters of recommendation from their current editors or supervisors, along with the application and attachments below. One additional recommendation from a former editor or supervisor is optional. Self-employed applicants may submit recommendations as described below. Broadcast journalists should submit their stories via links if possible, and on DVDs if not possible.

*Please submit your application, resume, portfolio and recommendation via email by August 20 to rosecavanagh.nefac@gmail.com.
If there is no acknowledgement from NEFAC, please confirm that your application has been received.*

Please fully answer the questions below on a separate sheet of paper, restating the question.

1. Describe why you would like to attend the New England First Amendment Institute. What do you hope to take away from the program? What do you hope to add to the program?
2. Describe a problem you have encountered in investigating a story and how you reacted to it. Do you think attending the Institute might help you with similar difficulties in the future? If so, how?
3. Describe what you believe is your best asset as a journalist. Please tell us what you feel has been your best success as a journalist.
4. Tell us how you would spread the knowledge you gain at the Institute to others in your news organization.

Required Attachments

- a. Resume
- b. Recommendation from a current editor/supervisor or, if self-employed, a former or current editor of your freelance work.
- c. Portfolio of your three best investigative stories. If you have not done investigative work, please attach three news-based stories that represent your best effort.

For Application Submission and Information:

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