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Oakbrook Terrace, IL — The National Federation of Paralegal Associations, Inc. (NFPA) is pleased to announce that Tracy Taplin of Maryville, Tennessee, and James Hawkins of Clairton, Pennsylvania have been selected as the Thomson Reuters/NFPA Paralegal Student Scholarship winners.

Tracy Taplin attends Pellissippi State Community College and is expected to graduate in May 2017 with an Associate's Degree in Paralegal Studies. She is a student member of the Smoky Mountain Paralegal Association and serves as a student representative on the Paralegal Studies Advisory Committee. She is involved with the Court Appointed Advocates Program of Tennessee Heartland.

James L. Hawkins attends Duquesne University School of Law Paralegal Institute, an American Bar Association-approved program administered by a School of Law. He is expected to receive a Certificate of General Practice in December 2016. He is currently interning with the office of United States Senator Bob Case in Pittsburg, Pennsylvania. In 2011, he was the legislative intern for the Joint State Government Commission of Pennsylvania working with attorneys by briefing Pennsylvania Supreme Court cases. Drafting legal memorandums and performing legal research. He is a member of the National Association of Legal Assistants.

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