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Jason Riley, Prolific Columnist, Author and Manhattan Institute Senior Fellow Wins Prestigious Bradley Prize

Award Recognizes Outstanding Scholars, Thought Leaders

Milwaukee, WI – Jason Riley, a *Wall Street Journal* columnist, author and a senior fellow at the Manhattan Institute, is one of three recipients of the 2018 Bradley Prizes. The honor recognizes individuals of extraordinary talent, whose accomplishments reflect <u>The Lynde and Harry Bradley Foundation's mission</u> to restore, strengthen and protect the principles and institutions of American exceptionalism. Riley will receive the award at the 15th annual Bradley Prizes ceremony on Tuesday, May 15th at the National Building Museum in Washington, D.C.

"Jason Riley's insightful commentary continues to help inform how American policy makers, leaders and scholars approach many of the complex issues in our country," said Richard Graber, President and CEO of the Bradley Foundation. "His courage to offer thoughtful analysis on often controversial topics makes him among the most distinctive and respected opinion leaders today. The Bradley Foundation is proud to honor Jason for his work, which is promoting the ideals of freedom and prosperity."

Riley has written on the issues of race, welfare policy, politics, and immigration for over twenty years. In 2005, Riley was named to the prestigious *Wall Street Journal* editorial board. He is the author of several books, including *Let Them In*, which argues for a more free-market oriented U.S. immigration system. His second book, *Please Stop Helping Us*, which is about the track record of government efforts to help the black underclass, was published in 2014. His most recent book, *False Black Power?*, is an assessment of why black political success has not translated into more economic success and was published in 2017. Riley is a frequent contributor to *Fox News, ABC, NBC, CNN, PBS*, and *NPR*, among others. He holds a B.A. in English from the State University of New York at Buffalo.

This year's award winners were chosen by the Bradley Prizes Selection Committee, a group of notable leaders in various fields, after careful review of nearly 200 nominations. Each award carries a stipend of \$250,000.

Founded in 1985, the Milwaukee-based Lynde and Harry Bradley Foundation supports projects and organizations that strengthen families and communities, inform and educate citizens, advance economic growth and encourage self-reliance. The Foundation's forward-looking approach to philanthropy is guided by four core principles: fidelity to the Constitution, with its

principles of limited government, federalism, separation of powers, and individual liberties; commitment to free markets; dedication to the formation of informed and capable citizens; and commitment to the institutions of civil society that cultivate individuals capable of self-governance. To learn more, please visit www.bradleyfdn.org.

To schedule an interview with Richard Graber, President & CEO of the Bradley Foundation, please contact Elizabeth Ray, eray@crcpublicrelations.com, or Emily Degnan, edegnan@crcpublicrelations.com, at 703-683-5004.

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