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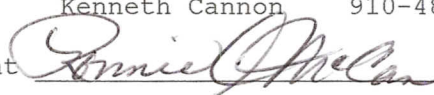

SUBJECT:
Education Assistance Program - Scholarship Fund

DATE: 1 January 2009

POLICY NUMBER	ORIGINATING SECTION	ORIGINATOR	PHONE NUMBER
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APPROVED: Ronnie A. McCan, President

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1. **PURPOSE:** The Special Forces Association Educational Assistance Program is designed to provide one-time scholarship grants to dependents and grandchildren of eligible members in good standing.

2. **SCOPE:**

a. Applicants must be current and in good standing in the SFA or the dependent spouse, child or grandchild of a member in good standing. Family members of a deceased member in good standing may also apply. The Scholarship Committee with the approval of the SFA Board of Officers determines the number of grants awarded and amounts. Grants may be given in the name of individuals or corporations when funds are contributed directly for that purpose.

b. The Assistant Secretary chairs the Scholarship Committee and selects committee members. The committee with the approval of the Board of Officers makes selections. Announcements are made at the annual SFA Convention and posted in the Fall Drop. The SFA Treasurer will mail checks to the recipient, after the annual convention.

c. The SFA Scholarship Fund is a separate account that derives its monies from contributions of members, chapters, and interested parties and corporations.

d. Checks should be made payable to the "SFA Scholarship Funds" and mailed to the SFA, ATTN: Scholarship Funds, PO Box 41436, Fayetteville, NC 28309-1436

3. **GENERAL:** Eligible applicants must submit applications and required documents to: SFA, ATTN: Scholarship Committee, PO Box 41436, Fayetteville, NC 28309-1436. **Applications must be submitted and postmarked NLT 21 Apr and received NLT 1 May to be considered.** The following is required to be considered:

a. A sponsor letter from the SFA member that states full name, member number, and relationship to applicant.

b. A personal letter stating his/her educational and career plans, aspirations, and the planned use of the funds. **This letter is important to the application.**

c. Their most recent transcripts, SAT scores, GPA, class standing, and/or other evidence of scholastic achievement.

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d. Reference letter(s) from teachers, counselors, or school officials.

e. Summary of extra-curricular activities, non-academic achievements, and hobbies.

f. A copy of acceptance from the institute of higher learning.

g. There is no formal application. All items listed above are required and must be submitted with the application for favorable consideration. Early starts to the application process are encouraged. It is critical that all applicants include the information requested regardless of the year of education in which they are currently enrolled. National reserves the right to deny any applications that do not include the above. Submission to National does not constitute approval.

4. Questions may be directed to National Headquarters at (910) 485-5433 of hq@specialforcesassociation.org.