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January 19, 2015

Mr. Michael W. Grebe  
President and CEO  
The Lynde and Harry Bradley Foundation, Inc.  
1241 North Franklin Place  
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Dear Mike:

Thank you very much for inviting me to recommend candidates for the 2015 Bradley Prizes. It is a privilege to have this opportunity again. In these particularly challenging days for those of us committed to liberty, solace is found in thinking about the many colleagues whose work protects the principles that the Bradley Foundation cherishes.

Please find enclosed completed materials for one nominee: Ms. Nina Shea.

Knowing Nina and her work have been generously supported by Bradley, much of the information in the enclosed biographical sketch will be familiar. I hope that the Prize review committee members and your Board members find that her candidacy may be particularly timely given the growing degrees of religious persecution and intolerance around the world.

I am delighted to confirm that past Bradley Prize recipients, Professor Mary Ann Glendon and Dr. Yuval Levin, have generously agreed to act as referees for this nomination.

All best wishes to you and your colleagues for this New Year.

Kind regards,



Ingrid A. Gregg  
President & Trustee

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# 2015 BRADLEY PRIZES

## NOMINATION FORM

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February 6, 2015

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- ☐ Education Reform
- ☐ Family Values
- ☐ Foreign Affairs
- ☒ Human Rights
- ☐ Journalism
- ☐ Law
- ☐ Philanthropy
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- ☐ Welfare Reform

**PLEASE ATTACH A STATEMENT OF NOMINATION SUMMARIZING THE NOMINEE'S CREDENTIALS IN 250 WORDS OR LESS,** limiting your additional supporting documentation to a CV, resume or biographical sketch.

**REFERENCES:** Each nomination must be accompanied by two references able to speak on behalf of the nominee's credentials and background, if necessary. Please provide contact information here.

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## **2015 Bradley Prizes Statement of Nomination**

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Religious freedom and freedom of conscience, as guaranteed among the rights of American citizenship enshrined in our Constitution, are under severe threat. In areas of the world where such rights and privileges are not acknowledged, or where they are systematically ignored by such groups as Islamic Jihadists, we are witnessing unspeakable persecution of individuals for their religious beliefs on a scale not seen since the fall of Communism.

For decades Nina Shea has been committed to the protection of religious freedom and freedom of conscience. Through legislative processes, scholarly research, lecturing, testifying to Congress and to international bodies, briefing leaders including in 2014 His Holiness Pope Francis, Shea has built a national and international reputation as a balanced, singularly well-informed, nuanced and courageous advocate for liberty. The respect in which she is held by people of faiths and no faith, but especially in the context of our challenging times by Jews, Muslims and Christians, gives her a credibility that transcends faction to reach people of good will and accomplishment.

To end these multifaceted threats to religious liberty, we will continue to require advocates with the precision of mind, clarity of purpose and tenacity of Nina Shea. We will also require serious, inspiring examples for the coming generation of thought-leaders to understand the centrality of religious freedom to the democratic traditions of ordered liberty. Long may we continue to benefit from Nina Shea's example.

Respectfully Submitted,  
Dr. Ingrid A. Gregg

## Nina Shea

Director, Center for Religious Freedom, The Hudson Institute



Nina Shea has been an international human-rights lawyer for over thirty years. She joined the Hudson Institute as a Senior Fellow in November 2006, where she directs the Center for Religious Freedom.

Committed to the principles of liberty enshrined in the Constitution of the United States, Shea works extensively for the advancement of individual religious freedom and other human rights in U.S. foreign policy as it continues to confront Islamic extremism, as well as nationalist and remnant Communist regimes. She undertakes scholarship and advocacy in defense of those persecuted for their beliefs and religious identities and on behalf of diplomatic measures to end religious repression and violence abroad, whether from state actors or extremist groups.

Shea was appointed by the U.S. House of Representatives to serve seven terms as a Commissioner on the U.S. Commission on International Religious Freedom (June 1999 - March 2012). During the Soviet era, Shea's first client before the United Nations was Soviet Nobel Peace Laureate Andrei Sakharov. Since then, she has been appointed as a U.S. delegate to the United Nation's main human rights body by both Republican and Democratic administrations. She also served as a member of the Clinton administration's Advisory Committee on Religious Freedom Abroad. In 2009, she was appointed to serve as a member of the U.S. National Commission to UNESCO.

Shea played a leading role in building grassroots support for the adoption of the International Religious Freedom Act (1998). For seven years ending in 2005, she helped organize and lead a coalition of churches and religious groups that worked to end a religious war against non-Muslims and dissident Muslims in southern Sudan. In 2014, she initiated and helped lead a coalition of hundreds of prominent American religious leaders to issue *The Pledge of Solidarity for Persecuted Iraqi, Syrian and Egyptian Christians and Other Minorities*, which was released by a bi-partisan Congressional panel. In the summer of 2014, Shea was received by Pope Francis to brief him on the persecution of Christians in the Middle East.

At the Hudson Institute, Shea has organized conferences for Nigerian schoolgirls and others who survived Boko Haram attacks, Christian converts formerly imprisoned in Iran, Coptic bishops from Egypt, Catholic bishops from China and the Gulf, Muslim scholars, and many others. She advocates on behalf of a broad range of persecuted religious minorities around the world; and, for such work, was honored by the Ahmadiyya Muslim Community USA with the Community's inaugural "Ahmadiyya Muslim Humanitarian Award."

Shea supports advocacy with sound research and policy analysis. She has authored and/or edited four widely-acclaimed reports on Saudi state educational materials that promote extremist views and in 2011 had an opportunity to travel to Saudi Arabia and speak directly about her findings with the Ministers of Education, Justice and Islamic Affairs. Her reports include: *Ten Years On: Saudi Arabia's Textbooks Still Promote Religious Violence* (2011), *Update: Saudi Arabia's Curriculum of Intolerance* (2008), *Saudi Arabia's Curriculum of Intolerance* (2006), and *Saudi Publications on Hate Ideology Invade American Mosques* (2005), all of which translated and analyzed Saudi governmental publications that teach hatred and violence against the religious "other."

She is the co-author of *Silenced: How Apostasy & Blasphemy Codes are Choking Freedom Worldwide*, with a Foreword by Kyai Haji Abdurrahman Wahid, the former President of Indonesia and head of Nahdlatul Ulama, the world's largest Muslim organization (Oxford University Press, 2011). Her most recent book, which she also co-authored, is *Persecuted: The Global Assault on Christians* (Thomas Nelson Publishers, 2013). She regularly presents testimony before Congress, delivers public lectures, organizes briefings and conferences, and writes frequently on religious freedom issues. Her writings have appeared in the *Wall Street Journal*, *Washington Post*, *CQ Researcher*, *Weekly Standard*, *National Review Online*, *CNN*, *Fox*, *The Daily Beast*, *Huffington Post*, and *RealClear World*, among others.

For a decade before joining the Hudson Institute, Shea worked at Freedom House, where she directed its Center for Religious Freedom, an entity which she had helped found in 1986 as the Puebla Institute.

Nina Shea is a member of the bar of the District of Columbia. She is a graduate of Smith College, and American University's Washington College of Law. She and her family live in the Washington, D.C. area, and she is the proud mother of several children including a son currently serving in the United States Marine Corps.