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Jessica O. Smith has been a member of the Indiana Paralegal Association (IPA) since June, 2010, and has been serving in various capacities in the legal field since 2003. Ms. Smith is currently employed as a paralegal at the law firm of Campbell Kyle Proffitt LLP.

Ms. Smith is a 2004 graduate of Pendleton Heights High School, and earned her Bachelor of Science from Manchester College in 2008, majoring in Political Science and minoring in History. Ms.

Smith is an active member of

her community, having participated in Big Brothers Big Sisters and Habitat for Humanity, volunteering at a local food pantry, and assisted with collecting clothing and toy donations during her tenure at the Department of Child Services.

Successfully completing the Paralegal Advanced Competency Exam (PACE®) became a goal of Ms. Smith's when she first became employed as a paralegal. Ms. Smith believes in the integrity of PACE and feels that it will continue to enhance the paralegal profession. Ms. Smith further believes that as the paralegal profession continues to grow and gain popularity among those interested in the legal field, there will be a need for standards and qualifications in the field. By successfully completing PACE, Ms. Smith will make a statement to herself, her employer, and her peers that she is serious about her chosen profession. Clearly, Ms. Smith knows PACE is – *the Standard for Excellence®*.

Please join me in congratulating this year's recipient of the IPA PACE Scholarship, and future PACE Registered Paralegal, Jessica O. Smith.

IPA would also like to extend a HUGE thank you to IKON for their continued support as sponsor of the IPA PACE Scholarship.