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**Charles R. Kesler, Influential Conservative Scholar and Editor,
Wins Prestigious Bradley Prize**

Award Recognizes Outstanding Scholars, Thought Leaders

Milwaukee, WI – Charles R. Kesler, editor of the *Claremont Review of Books*, a senior fellow at the Claremont Institute, and the Dengler-Dykema Distinguished Professor of Government at Claremont McKenna College, is one of three recipients of the 2018 Bradley Prizes. The honor recognizes individuals of extraordinary talent, whose accomplishments reflect [The Lynde and Harry Bradley Foundation's](#) mission to restore, strengthen and protect the principles and institutions of American exceptionalism. Kesler will receive the award at the 15th annual Bradley Prizes ceremony on Tuesday, May 15th at the National Building Museum in Washington, D.C.

“Dr. Charles Kesler is one of the leading intellectuals in American political thought today. Through his distinguished work, he is informing the debate on critical issues and shaping many of the next generation’s leaders,” said Richard Graber, President and CEO of the Bradley Foundation. “The Bradley Foundation is proud to honor Dr. Kesler for advancing the ideals of freedom in both academia and public policy.”

Kesler was recently recognized as one of the “Politico 50,” the publication’s annual list of key thinkers, doers and visionaries who are reshaping American politics and policy. An author who has written extensively on American constitutionalism and political thought, his edition of *The Federalist Papers* (Signet Classics) is the best-selling edition in the country and his illuminating 2012 book on the progressivism of Barack Obama, *I Am The Change*, attracted wide acclaim. Kesler’s work frequently appears in *The New York Times*, *Wall Street Journal*, and *The Washington Post*, among others. He holds an A.B. in social studies, and an A.M. and Ph.D. in government from Harvard University.

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.

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