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CFO of the Year Award Goes to National Able Network
Khalid Qazi, Chief Financial Officer, won prestigious award

CHICAGO (November 2017) – Khalid Qazi, Chief Financial Officer of leading workforce development nonprofit, National Able Network, was selected as “CFO of the Year” by Financial Executives International (FEI). Mr. Qazi was chosen as one of just 22 finalists, and was selected as CFO of the Year in the mid-size not-for-profit category. Following a rigorous nomination and screening process, Mr. Qazi was announced as the recipient of the prestigious award during the 7th Annual Chicago CFO of the Year® Awards.

Mr. Qazi was recognized by FEI and his peers for his exceptional work as a financial steward and for pioneering innovation in non-profit accounting. This was the first nomination for Mr. Qazi and for National Able Network.

In his award acceptance speech, Mr. Qazi thanked his family, National Able Network President & CEO Grace Powers, and former Board Chair Carolyn Dolezal, as well as his finance team. “Special thanks to my finance team. This team is a group of very talented, knowledgeable, and dedicated people, and I do not know what I would do without them,” Mr. Qazi said, continuing, “I can think out of box because of them and they make sure things are working within the box. They roll up their sleeves each time we have any project either month end close, financial audit or a compliance audit by government agencies. They demonstrate a personal commitment to both to our department and to National Able Network.”

Khalid Qazi joined National Able Network, Inc. in 2003 as Controller and was promoted to Chief Financial Officer in 2011. Mr. Qazi manages a team of five accounting professionals responsible for all budgeting, forecasting, compliance, and financial reporting associated with more than 30 publicly- and privately-awarded contracts annually. Mr. Qazi serves as the primary point of contact for federal, state, and independent auditors, and has led the agency in more than a decade of outstanding audit results. His reputation as a leading expert in non-profit accounting and compliance has brought him to the attention of philanthropic foundations and other non-profits who routinely rely on him for advice and support.

National Able Network celebrated its 40th year of operation in 2017. At National Able Network, our mission is to help make careers happen. Each client receives personalized career supports that integrate career coaching, specialized training, and direct connections to the job market. Our programs are designed to assist jobseekers from all backgrounds, including the unemployed, career changers, military veterans, seniors, and aspiring IT professionals. Each year, National Able Network provides service to nearly 76,000 individuals in Delaware, Iowa, Illinois, Indiana, and Nebraska.

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