**Update on Registration for the 2017 NFB Job Fair**

Earlier I sent out a Pre-registration Form for the NFB National Job Fair in Orlando. At the time I was in a hurry, and didn’t send along a proper explanation for why we are doing registration this year. As you might know, we on the Employment Committee are working hard to attract more employers to our Job Fair.

But corporate employers can be a bit picky. Job fairs are a big expense for them, so they want to make sure they reach their target audience. Over the past year I’ve been asked to supply a lot of information I don’t have about our job seekers because we haven’t been collecting registration information at our Job Fair.

So we must get that information. The easiest way to do so is get a person’s name, address, phone number, and e-mail, plus a copy of their resume. That should give us most of the information we need. We can also email you after the Job Fair to find out how it helped you and ways in which we can improve it.

The easiest and most convenient way to register is to complete the attached Pre-registration form and return it to Suzanne Turner. Let her know if you want your resume “doctored”. Suzanne wants me to tell you that if you are still working on your resume, just send in the form and send your resume when it is done. We will still work on it if there is time.

We will offer onsite registration for the Job Fair outside the Job Seeker Seminar from 12:30 to 4:00 pm on Monday or outside the Job Fair from 8:30 to 11:30 am on Tuesday. You must register in order to enter the Job Fair! When you pre-register, Suzanne will send you an e-mail receipt that will be your ticket for admission. When you register onsite, we’ll have something similar for you.

**Update on The Resume Doctors**

I’m sorry to say that many individuals have tried to circumvent the rules for The Resume Doctors service that we offer for Job Fair pre-registrants only. Many people show up at the Job Fair each year needing help with their resumes. That’s a little too late, so this was our way to help. Even though we stated specifically that the service was for pre-registrants only, over 30 people have sent in resumes, while only 11 have pre-registered. Some tried to lie to the doctors. And one person, apparently not an NFB member, was very nasty, and bullied a doctor into fixing her resume.

Dishonesty and rude behavior are job killers, and we will not tolerate them in the NFB. For that reason, I am shutting down The Resume Doctors except for Job Fair pre-registrants. I have instructed both doctors to keep the rest of the resumes on file, but do nothing with them at this point. After the convention, we will rethink the program and decide if we, as volunteers, really do have the resources to provide such a service, and if so, to whom.

If you have any questions, feel free to email me at ddavis@blindinc.org.