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Dear Dr. Sobel and ICPI Board Members,

I would like to take this opportunity to thank you for awarding me a travel grant to attend the 2013 ASCP GI Pathology Conference at Las Vegas from May 6-May 10. The grant was indeed very helpful in recovering part of the high cost of registration (for the conference) and travel to Las Vegas.

I am currently a second year resident about to start my third year of residency, and attending such a conference benefitted me immensely in many ways. Not only could I listen to the nation's pre-eminent experts in GI pathology but I also had the opportunity to ask them questions directly and clear my doubts about many topics. I attended this conference mainly because I have interest in GI pathology and therefore I benefitted greatly from the knowledge that was shared by the experts on a wide spectrum of both neoplastic and non-neoplastic gastrointestinal pathology including some "hot topics" like dysplasia in Barrett's esophagus, gastric dysplasia, microsatellite-unstable colorectal cancers and many more.

I am very grateful to Dr. Sobel and the other ICPI members for providing me with this golden opportunity to attend this knowledge-exhaustive conference and acquire updated information on several topics of gastrointestinal pathology.

Sincerely,

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