

RE: Salutations, Appreciation

Jonathan Boldt

Sent: Tuesday, July 09, 2013 6:13 PM**To:** Jay Severin [jtseverin@gmail.com]

Dear Jay,

I am elated to hear that it came across as intended and while it was a positive piece, you felt it was still unbiased and was a fair treatise on the Blaze Radio Network. And for it to still be entertaining was the cherry on top! I'm usually a sports writer and while I am a rabid political junkie, I rarely venture into the national scene and cover events like what we just witnessed over the Independence Day weekend (although I dare say there has never been an event quite like it either!).

I have such disdain for the state of media that I almost take your comment alleging those other publications as my colleagues as an insult, but taken in context I am flattered. In all sincerity, your email was the pinnacle of my young career thus far and I'm actually debating printing it out and framing it! I probably would if I actually had an office to hang it on a wall in.

I appreciate you taking the time to drop me a line and make my day. If ever there is anything I can do for you from the Rocky Mountains please don't hesitate to ask.

Sincerely,

Jonathan Boldt
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From: Jay Severin [jtseverin@gmail.com]**Sent:** Tuesday, July 09, 2013 4:06 PM**To:** Jonathan Boldt**Subject:** Salutations, Appreciation

Dear Jonathon:

I am appreciative of your story, a solid piece that actually quotes me (and, likely, my colleagues) accurately - a rarity!

You told an entertaining story via the canons of Journalism, not the personal opinion of the author - another rarity!

Your piece offered an insider view of media history-in-the-making; we don't know the ending...but it is a fascinating beginning - and I believe you crafted that picture skillfully.

I am grateful for your fair treatment and your commitment to The Facts and The Story of Mercury/TheBlaze/my colleagues.

This is the letter I never got to write to your colleagues as The New York Times, Washington Post, LA Times, et. al. : You are a Journalist.

Cheers,
Jay Severin

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