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SUBJECT: Justin Dart, Jr., Receives Presidential Medal of Freedom

CONTENT: On January 15, 1998, President Clinton awarded former RSA Commissioner Justin Dart, Jr., the Presidential Medal of Freedom. This award is the highest award that an American can receive. Mr. Dart is the first American to receive this award for his untiring work on behalf of individuals with disabilities and their families. RSA is extremely proud of his accomplishments and contributions toward influencing the public policy of this Nation.

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