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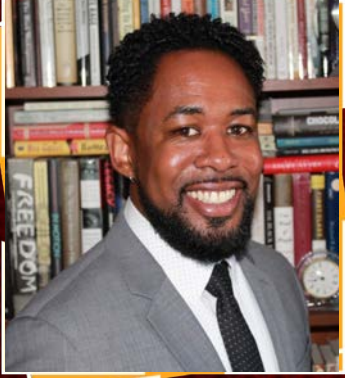
KONITA JORDAN

ASSISTANT CLERK

My name is Konita Jordan and I am originally from Fort Wayne, Indiana where I was an active member of St. John Missionary Baptist Church under the leadership of the late Reverend J.W. Bledsoe. I still consider it to be my home church and attend whenever I am home visiting my family.

I have been a member of Alfred Street for almost 6 years. Since becoming a member of Alfred Street, I have been an active in Royal Priesthood, a volunteer for the HBCU festival, Vacation Bible School, Brothers' Keeper, and Feed the 5000.

I received my undergraduate degree from Wilberforce University in Computer Information Systems and recently received my MBA in Human Resources from American Intercontinental University. I am a Software Engineer by day and in my spare time enjoy reading, travelling, spending time with family/friends, and rooting for the Dallas Cowboys.



DAMIEN FRIERSON

ASSISTANT HISTORIAN-ASBC HISTORICAL SOCIETY

Damien T. Frierson serves as a senior program specialist at the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services where he provides oversight to several national organizations addressing domestic violence within marginalized and underserved communities. As an avid reader and history enthusiast, Damien's interests have focused on how literature and history can be used to highlight the impact people and organizations have had in their respective communities. A proud Native Washingtonian, Damien participated in the D.C. Oral History Collaborative's first volunteer oral history training program. He currently serves as a consultant for the Nineteenth Street Baptist Church's oral history initiative which focuses on gathering the stories of some of the church's oldest members and families. Damien also serves as a member of the Board of Directors of the Zora Neale Hurston/Richard Wright Foundation where he supports the organization's archival management process. He is a member of the Association for the Study of African American Life and History (ASALAH) and the National Council of Public History. Since joining Alfred Street Baptist Church, Damien has used his gifts to serve in the JOP Library and as a facilitator for the N.E. D.C.'s Thursday winter Village. In addition to pursuing his Masters in Public History at Southern New Hampshire University, Damien holds a Ph.D. in Social Work from Howard University, a Master of Social Work from the University of Pennsylvania, an M.A. in African American Studies from Temple University and a B.A. in history from Fisk University.



DONNA WEBB-ALEXANDER

ASSISTANT FINANCIAL SECRETARY

Currently, I work as a travel professional for the Fort Belvoir Leisure Travel Office. My responsibility is to advise clients on suitable travel options in accordance with their needs, budget and special considerations. I also help clients plan vacations to domestic and international destinations, including selection of tours, accommodations, transport, and insurance options. Other duties include collecting payments, planning and marketing group cruises, reviewing monthly commission reports, building and maintaining relationships with clients, while continuing to learn about the latest industry trends by attending webinars, conferences, and other travel related programs. Other duties include implementing marketing strategies to advertise services offered through Leisure Travel Services (LTS), and assist where needed within LTS and DFMWR such as selling local attraction tickets, assisting with room reservations and special events to name a few.

Many years ago my accounting experience began; while pursuing my accounting degree, when I became a trustee at my home church. I was required to count tithes/offerings each Sunday after church. In addition, I helped the financial secretary as needed. Other accounting experiences include updating summary data on all bank accounts on a monthly basis, entering data for Accounts Receivable and Cash Receipts transaction batches, and assisting Accounts Payable, Accounts Receivable, and Financial Aid Disbursements as needed for a local college. I have also worked as a check collection agent and an accounting clerk for the Navy Exchange. Over the years, clerical work was a part of my daily duties in several positions such as answering the phones, filing, typing and assisting customers. Lastly, I was a business owner for two companies which required me to maintain my own financial reports.



CHARLES DUDLEY HAWKINS

FINANCE AND BUDGET, CHAIR

CHARLES DUDLEY HAWKINS was born in Monterey, California, the oldest of two children of the late Charles E. Hawkins and Anna Mary Hawkins. He lived in Germany as a child while his father was stationed there with the U.S. Army. Stateside, Charles grew up living in California, Ohio, Illinois and Missouri. He graduated from the Ohio State University receiving a Bachelor of Science Degree in Marketing and a obtained a Master of Science in Management from Troy State University. He also is a certified Project Management Professional from the Program Management Institute and obtained a Level II certification as a Program Manager from the Defense Acquisition University.

Charles was commissioned as a Military Police Officer in the United States Army upon graduation from college. He served in the Army for two decades and held various assignments as Military Police Officer, a ROTC instructor, a Comptroller, and an Inspector General. He retired as a Lieutenant Colonel. In retirement, he worked as a defense contractor as a financial analyst, program manager and group director in financial management, healthcare operations, acquisition support, training and personnel management. In 2011, Charles accepted a Civil Service appointment with the U.S. Air Force. During his tenure with the Air Force he was a program analyst and manager for acquisition support for the Air Force Medical Support Activity. In 2015 Charles was selected as the Air Force Surgeon General's Civilian of the year.

In October, 1988, Charles and his family were drawn by the Holy Spirit to join the Alfred Street Baptist Church. He is a member of Discipleship Group 6. Charles has served in many ministries and activities to include teacher and Director of Vacation Bible School, Men's Ministry, the Budget Committee, the Security Ministry, Transportation Ministry, Tutorial Ministry, Brother's Keeper, Feed the 5,000, and Men's Homeless Shelter. He served for five years as a Trustee and was the Chair of the Trustee's Finance Committee. He currently serves as the Chair of the Finance and Budget Committee on the Church Council overseeing all financial matters and policies of the Church.

Charles is a proud member of Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity, Inc. He is married to the love of his life, the Rev. Marla C. Hawkins of New Orleans, Louisiana. They reside in Alexandria, Virginia along with their three sons, Wallace (Arlene), Omar and David. They are blessed with three lovely grandchildren, Nokomis, Micco and Aiyana and their loving dog Apollo.



SALLIE BIRMINGHAM

FINANCE AND BUDGET COMMITTEE MEMBER

Sallie Birmingham is an independent financial consultant with over thirty years of fiscal, administrative, management and public relations skills in government, non-profit, and corporate environments. She holds a Masters in Business Administration, with a concentration in Accounting and has proven ability to solve organizational problems, manage teams and develop strategies to more effectively and efficiently maximize limited resources. She is currently employed by DLH Corporation as an Office of Head Start Fiscal Support Lead and is a member of the Alfred Street Baptist Church where she volunteers on the Church Council's Finance and Budget Committee and other church ministries.

Ms. Birmingham served as budget analyst and budget team leader for the Fairfax County Head Start program for over ten years. In addition to over ten years of experience as fiscal administrator for Fairfax County, Ms. Birmingham worked for close to two years as the fiscal grants administrator for the United States Conference of Mayors. Her responsibilities included fiscal oversight of over sixteen federal grants (which required becoming familiar with regulations from numerous federal agencies) and interacting with various subcontractors.

Since 1999, Ms. Birmingham started her own consulting company and has worked as a consultant on-site fiscal reviewer for Regional, American Indian/Alaska Native, and Migrant Head Start Programs. She has reviewed the governance and fiscal management systems of Head Start and Early Head Start programs operated by non-profit organizations, private corporations, universities and governments. Since 2003, has served as a fiscal support lead and trainer for the Office of Head Start. Training events include organizing two national fiscal training conferences in 2004 and presenting at the 2006 Pre-Financial Institute for the Office of Head Start; 2007 36th National Migrant & Seasonal Head Start Conference; 2010 Region X Head Start Fiscal Management Training; and 2011 ACF Region III Head Start Executive Management Conference.

Ms. Birmingham has conducted governance and fiscal training workshops in Regions II, III, V, VI, IX, X, and XII as well as for the University of Maryland, Texas Tech University, and San Francisco State University. In 2008, she entered the international arena when she traveled to Riyadh, Saudi Arabia with the Academy for Educational Development to assist in developing a center assessment system, including budgets for private day care centers serving children with disabilities. Since 2014, she has been employed by DLH/Danya International, Inc., the monitoring contractor for the Office of Head Start, as a Fiscal Team Leader and Subject Matter Expert.



LARRY SPENCER

FINANCE AND BUDGET COMMITTEE MEMBER

General Spencer most recently served as the Air Force Association's top executive, where he set records for revenue generation, membership growth and technology symposium revenue, sponsorships, exhibit sales and attendance. He also held the position of publisher of Air Force Magazine, the official journal of the Air Force Association, which has approximately 100,000 members. Retiring as a four-star general, Spencer spent over 40 years in the Air Force. His last assignment was as the Vice Chief of Staff of the US Air Force, Washington, DC. In this capacity, Spencer was the second highest-ranking military member in the Air Force. He presided over the Air Staff and served as a member of the Joint Chiefs of Staff Requirements Oversight Council and Deputy Management Advisory Group. He assisted the Chief of Staff of the Air Force with organizing, training, and equipping 690,000 active-duty, Guard, Reserve, and civilian forces serving in the United States and overseas.

Spencer began his career in the enlisted ranks and rose to become a four-star general. He received his Bachelor of Science degree in industrial engineering technology from Southern Illinois University (SIU), Carbondale. Spencer was commissioned through Officer Training School in 1980 as a distinguished graduate. He has commanded a squadron, group and wing, and he was Vice Commander of the Oklahoma City Air Logistics Center. He was also the first Air Force officer to serve as the Assistant Chief of Staff in the White House Military Office. He served as the Chief Financial Officer and then Director of Mission Support at a major command; and held positions within the Air Staff and Secretariat. Prior to his assignment as Vice Chief of Staff, the general was Director, Force Structure, Resources and Assessment, Joint Staff, the Pentagon, Washington, DC reporting directly to the Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff. General Spencer participated in contingency Operations Desert Shield/Storm, Desert Thunder, Desert Fox, Allied Force, and Iraqi Freedom.

Spencer has two Master of Science degrees in business management from Webster College and industrial resource strategy from the National Defense University. He also completed post-graduate courses at Harvard University, and the University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill and was awarded an Honorary Doctorate Degree from SIU. General Spencer has two named awards: The Air Force General Larry Spencer Innovation Award and the Air Force General Larry Spencer Special Acts and Services Award. General Spencer is also a Distinguished Senior Fellow of Fels Institute of Government, University of Pennsylvania. General Spencer is the author of the book, *The Green Eyeshades of War*, a historical review of financial management during war, published in 2016.

Larry and his wife, Ora, reside in Lorton, Virginia



MIRANDA EDWARDS

FINANCE AND BUDGET COMMITTEE MEMBER

Miranda Edwards is an accountant, wife, mother, and proud member of Alfred Street Baptist Church. Originally from North Carolina, Miranda was very active in her home church (Restoration Missionary Baptist Church – Fayetteville, NC) where she sang in the choir, taught Children’s Church, and even occasionally led Bible Study and Sunday School. Miranda relocated to the DMV area in 2015 to be closer to her now husband, Chris. She brought her love of children to Alfred Street and participated in youth ministries such as Awana and Vacation Bible School. Miranda is also a strong believer in good stewardship so she gladly attended Financial Peace University.

When she isn’t working, Miranda enjoys reading (particularly Stephen King novels), baking, and spending quality time with her family. Most of her free time is now enjoyably consumed by her beautiful four-month-old daughter, Taylor.



HEATHER HORTON

FINANCE AND BUDGET COMMITTEE MEMBER

Heather D. Horton has been a member of Alfred Street Baptist Church since December 2011. She has been a Village participant and host in NE DC on Fridays since the inception of Village. She served as Assistant Financial Secretary of ASBC in 2017, actively participates and served in leadership roles in DG #19, worked with GriefShare (2018) and volunteers for many church-wide activities annually. Heather is the CEO/Founder of The H-Squared Group, LLC, a grief recovery coaching practice. She is an Advanced Grief Recovery Method Specialist™, a Certified From Grief to Gratitude™ Coach, and Certified Professional Diversity Coach. She helps executive leaders struggling with grief to turn their pain into power so that they can get unstuck and increase their productivity personally and professionally. Heather worked as an Attorney/Associate Area Counsel/Director of HQ Operations with the IRS Office of Chief Counsel Small Business/Self-Employed Division for 14 years before starting her business. Spanning almost two decades, her Federal government career also included work experience as a tax auditor and credit union examiner. She is a native of Baton Rouge, LA and a graduate of Southern University (Bachelors of Science, Accounting), LSU Law Center (Juris Doctor) and Georgetown University Law Center (Master of Laws, Taxation). Heather has served in various volunteer leadership positions throughout her life. She most recently served as Co-Chair of the Tax and Business Forum for the Women's Bar Association of the District of Columbia Bar for 2018-2019.



STACY BURNETTE

GOVERNANCE AND LEGAL COMMITTEE MEMBER

Stacy Burnette, Senior Director of Government & Regulatory Affairs at Comcast Cable Corporation, is an accomplished technology contracts attorney with significant international business experience. In her current role at Comcast Cable Corporation, Ms. Burnette is responsible for negotiating contracts, ensuring contract compliance, managing relationships with municipal decision makers and managing a community investment budget.

Prior to joining Comcast Cable Corporation in 2014, Ms. Burnette was the Director of Contractual Compliance at the Internet Corporation for Assigned Names and Numbers (ICANN), an international technology company responsible for managing the global domain name system. In this capacity, Ms. Burnette ensured that every domain name supplier in the world, including GoDaddy, Network Solutions and hundreds of others complied with the terms of their licensing agreements. She successfully enforced contract terms with large and small domain name suppliers and routinely terminated contracts based on non-compliance.

Prior to working for ICANN, Ms. Burnette worked in the cable industry as the Cable Administrator for the City of Los Angeles and as General Counsel for the D.C. Office of Cable Television. In those roles, Ms. Burnette gained significant experience negotiating cable related agreements with Comcast, Time Warner, Cox, Charter, AT&T and District Cablevision.

Ms. Burnette began her career in the DC Office of the Attorney General where she gained six years of civil litigation experience.

Ms. Burnette received her JD and her BBA from Howard University.



RAQIYYAH PIPPINS

GOVERNANCE AND LEGAL COMMITTEE MEMBER

While born in White Plains, New York, Raqiyyah spent her teenage years in Hampton, Virginia. She went on to attend college at both Howard and Stanford Universities and received a B.A. in psychology from Stanford University in 2003. After college, Raqiyyah returned to Virginia for law school, receiving her J.D. from the University of Virginia School of Law in 2006. She is also a 2001 graduate of the Goldman Sachs/Tuck Business School Bridge MBA Program. Since childhood, Raqiyyah has been drawn to ministry, community involvement and leadership. In high-school she was active in student government and in the youth ministry at Macedonia Baptist Church in Newport News, VA. While at Howard she was a Student Ambassador and Laureate Scholar. At Stanford she received the Deans Awards for Academic Excellence and Student Leadership, while also serving in the Gospel Choir. And, during law school, Raqiyyah served as National Chair of the National Black Law Students Association (the largest student-run organization in the country).

Raqiyyah is now a Partner at Arnold & Porter where she counsels consumer product companies regarding compliance with laws governing product development, labeling, and advertising. She has been nationally recognized by Chambers and as a Best Lawyer in FDA Law. Yet she has consistently balanced her corporate legal career with her commitment to ministry, leadership and service. As a junior attorney, she participated in a six month rotation with the Children's Law Center, an organization for which she continues to provide pro bono legal services today. She has also volunteered with the Cardozo High School Street Law Program, and served on the executive boards for the Greater Washington Area Chapter of the National Bar Association, the Capital Youth Empowerment Program, and the D.C. Region's Boys & Girls Clubs of Greater Washington. Raqiyyah was selected to represent her firm as its Fellow for the Leadership Council on Legal Diversity and has been appointed to the University of Virginia, School of Law's Alumni Council. And she's done all of this while remaining committed to her Alfred Street family. After two years in Royal Priesthood, Raqiyyah now serves with both Higher Ground and Psalms of Praise.

Currently, Raqiyyah is on the Board of Directors for the Shaw Community Center in Washington, D.C., is a sponsor for the Boys & Girls Clubs of Greater Washington's Fearless Girls Program, and is a member of the Federal City Alumnae Chapter of Delta Sigma Theta, Sorority, Inc. Raqiyyah has also been featured as one of Ebony Magazine's "Top Leaders Under 30," The Network Journal's "Top 40 Under Forty," and as a delegate for the 45th International Academy of Achievement. It would be her honor to have the opportunity to use her leadership and board experience to serve her church family as Member of the Governance and Legal Committee for the Church Council.



JUMMY OBAYANJU

GOVERNANCE AND LEGAL COMMITTEE MEMBER

Olajumoke “Jummy” Obayanju is the Racial Justice & Defense Fellow for the Georgetown Law Juvenile Justice Initiative. In this role, she works to improve the systems youth encounter through policy reform, develops resources to help juvenile defenders incorporate racial justice arguments into their youth advocacy, and creates training materials on strategies to identify and correct racial bias. She manages both the Youth in Proximity Network (a program that provides holistic, wrap-around advocacy for youth in D.C.) and the Ambassadors for Racial Justice program (a year-long program that supports and encourages defenders to challenge racial injustice through legal advocacy and systemic and policy reform).

Prior to working at Georgetown Law, Jummy served as law clerk to the Honorable Craig Iscoe in the Superior Court of the District of Columbia where she oversaw the Domestic Relations and Felony I calendars, respectively. Jummy has a strong commitment to social and criminal justice and community service, and has devoted countless hours to volunteering and interning with direct legal service providers in D.C., such as Legal Aid D.C., Bread for the City, Neighborhood Legal Services, and the GW Family Justice Litigation Clinic.

Jummy is a proud alumna of both Howard University, where she received her Bachelor of Arts in Public Relations, and the George Washington University Law School, where she received her Juris Doctor. Before law school, Jummy was a middle teacher in Charlotte, NC.



BRYAN BONNER

GOVERNANCE AND LEGAL COMMITTEE MEMBER

Bryan A. Bonner is Assistant Chief Counsel for Field Operations and serves as principal in-house legal counselor to TSA Security Operations senior executive leadership, holding responsibility for all U.S. domestic transportation security operations, leading over 46K employees, and managing \$4B+ annual budget. Bryan advises on all legal, operational, and policy matters, as well as TSA's incident response function, Critical Incident Management Group (CIMG). Bryan also leads and manages a diverse, geographically dispersed workforce of over 60 embedded attorneys and professional staff with responsibility for managing delivery of all legal services to 148 TSA senior executives across the United States, including Hawaii, Guam, and Saipan. Finally, Bryan spearheaded implementation of CIMG emergency operation center providing in-person legal consultant support services 24 hours a day, 7 days a week. Staffed during activation by cross-functional team of 49 professionals including 9 attorneys, remaining operational for duration of incidents ranging from 1 week to 9 weeks. Previous activations include Hurricanes Harvey, Irma, Maria, and Florence and terrorist events including Yemen 2010 transatlantic aircraft bomb plot & 2009 "Underwear Bomber."

Prior to joining TSA CC, Bryan previously served as Counsel to the Federal Reserve Board and United States Air Force Assistant Staff Judge Advocate active duty/reserves, in various capacities, including Chief of Labor Law/Employment Law, Chief of Military Justice, Special Assistant United States Attorney (SAUSA), and Appellate Defense Counsel, over multiple assignments. In addition to being a very active member of the Alfred Street Baptist Church Legal Resources Ministry, Bryan is also an Adjunct Professor of Law at Washington & Lee University, School of Law, volunteers with the Department of Homeland Security, Office of the General Counsel's and TSA CC mentor programs, as well as serves as Vice Chair on the Board of Trustees at Browne Academy in Alexandria, VA. Bryan received his BA-Philosophy from the University of Virginia in Charlottesville, VA (1990) and his Juris Doctor from the College of William and Mary, Marshall-Wythe School of Law (1993). Bryan married his college sweetheart, Ingrid D. Johnson (MD, F.A.A.P.) and lives in Alexandria, VA with his wife and two daughters, Bryanna (15) and Sydney (12). He is an avid fitness buff, comic book collector, and a self-diagnosed pop culture junkie. His favorite food, by far, is pizza.



NINA ARCHIE

GOVERNANCE AND LEGAL COMMITTEE MEMBER

Nina Archie has been a member of Alfred Street Baptist Church with DG #17's group and is originally from Atlanta, Ga. She has had experiences at the United States Patent and Trademark Office, the Department of Health and Human Services, and as a Legislative Fellow at the House of Representatives. She has advised staff on patent and technology policy issues such as artificial intelligence, data-privacy technologies, biotechnology, surveillance, and other emerging technologies that impact patent protection and consumer privacy protection. Ms. Archie is also competent to understanding a wide range technologies. Ms. Archie's understanding of patent prosecution and polices has given her the ability to grasp an understanding of the policy implications involved in technology regulation.



TAMIKO WATKINS

HUMAN RESOURCES COMMITTEE MEMBER

Tamiko N.W. Watkins is an Assistant General Counsel at the Millennium Challenge Corporation (MCC). MCC is an innovative and independent U.S. foreign aid agency that is helping lead the fight against global poverty. Mrs. Watkins manages the administrative law team and serves as the agency's senior legal and policy advisor for employment law. Additionally, Mrs. Watkins is an Adjunct Professor at Howard University School of Law where she teaches labor and employment law courses.

Prior to joining MCC, Mrs. Watkins was a Senior Trial Attorney for the Department of the Navy where she represented the Navy in labor and employment law litigation. She also worked as an Assistant Counsel for the Navy and provided counsel and training on labor and employment law issues, and represented the Navy in matters before the Equal Employment Opportunity Commission, Merit Systems Protection Board, and Federal Labor Relations Authority. Mrs. Watkins has notable alternative dispute resolution experience. Presently, she is an Arbitrator for the District of Columbia Bar - Attorney/Client Arbitration Board. She has also served as a Mediator for the Superior Court of the District of Columbia and an Arbitrator for the Pennsylvania Court of Common Pleas.

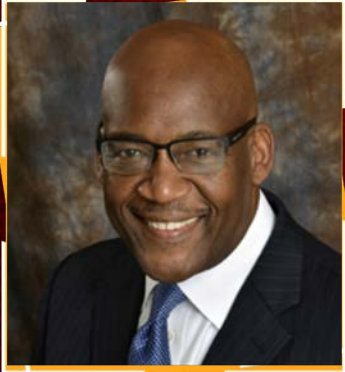
Mrs. Watkins received her Juris Doctor from Widener University School of Law after earning a Bachelor of Arts in Public Relations from Hampton University. Mrs. Watkins also earned a Master of Laws degree in Litigation and Dispute Resolution from the George Washington University Law School. Mrs. Watkins resides in the Washington DC metro area with her family and is a member of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc.



KAREN AKINS

HUMAN RESOURCES COMMITTEE MEMBER

A Human Resources professional with over 25 years of experience, Karen began her career as an HR Generalist at McKinsey & Company and was instrumental in setting up the HR practices, policies and procedures for McKinsey's DC Office. Since Karen's experience at McKinsey, she has focused on developing her expertise in the areas of Compensation, Benefits, and HRIS. She has held progressively responsible roles in one or more of those disciplines at organizations such as: Scitor Corporation, Lawson Software, Argon ST, Network Solutions, BAE Systems and Abt Associates. Karen is currently the Director of Compensation, Benefits and HRIS at Surescripts LLC, reports to the Chief People Officer and is a member of the HR Leadership team (HRLT) that sets HR Policy, HR strategy as well as guidance and best practices for base pay, incentive pay, benefits, total rewards and recognition. Karen initially attended the University of Maryland for 3 years on a Track & Field Scholarship to study journalism but ultimately graduated from Marymount University in Arlington VA with a B.B.A. in HR Management. Karen holds active CCP (Certified Compensation Professional) and CBP (Certified Benefits Professional) certifications from WorldatWork and is also a WorldatWork faculty member teaching certification courses in the areas of compensation and benefits.



DEXTER BORDES

PROPERTY AND FACILITIES

He began his career with The Boeing Corporation in 1985, and progressed through the ranks culminating into Senior Executive Leadership. As a Program Manager he had responsibility for flight test programs such as the F18 Super Hornet, V-22 Tiltrotor, AV8 Harrier, and other aerospace programs.

After retiring from The Boeing Company he started DM&T Real Estate Development in Waldorf, MD. He has been involved with all aspects of real estate as a consultant, buyer, seller, partner, and developer. This broad perspective has enhanced his ability to offer cost-effective and creative solutions to real estate opportunities. With a strong desire for excellence, He is a community leader and real estate entrepreneur developing projects in Alexandria, VA, Washington, DC, and Charles County, MD areas.

He is also involved in a number of organizations and hold positions in the following: Board of Directors for the College of Southern Maryland Foundation Board, President West Lake Business Association in Waldorf, MD, Board of Directors, Economic Development of Charles County, Board of Directors, Conservancy of Prince George's County; and formerly on the Board of Trustees, Alfred Street Baptist Church.

He is married to Marilyn Coleman-Bordes, DDS, and have one daughter, Taylor Alexandra Bordes, who is currently a junior at Spelman College in Atlanta, GA.

He holds a Bachelor of Science Degree in Business Administration from Tennessee State University, School of Business in Nashville, TN; Master of Business Administration Degree from Florida Institute of Technology in Melbourne, FL. and advanced Real Estate Development training at George Washington University.

His hobbies include golfing, flying, reading, and cycling.



LAMONT BESSICKS

PROPERTY AND FACILITIES

Lamont Bessicks has 25 years of commercial real estate experience, and is firmly entrenched in the industry. His career has included tenures with Cushman & Wakefield of Washington, DC, CBRE Group, and Concordis Real Estate Advisors, LLC, as well as 17 years in real estate development.

LRES, Mr. Bessicks is currently with LRES, LLC, focusing on lease and sales transactions in service to his clients. He is experienced in transactions involving office, industrial, multifamily and retail assets.

Early in his career, Mr. Bessicks participated in the lease-renewal process of 800 Ninth Street, SW, on behalf of the owners. The 132,000 square-foot building was fully leased to GSA and the U.S. Department of Agriculture. His former and recent clients include Empower America (now FreedomWorks) with an 8,500 square-foot office lease; the N.A.A.C.P., with a proposed headquarters relocation; AT&T with a 50,000 square-foot industrial warehouse lease renewal; and the Ideal Electrical Supply Corporation with a 20,500 square-foot industrial/office warehouse lease. In addition, Mr. Bessicks has represented various developers with the acquisition of land and buildings identified for mixed-use development.

Mr. Bessicks earned his Bachelor's of Science Degree in Finance from the University of Maryland, and his Master's Degree in Real Estate Development from Georgetown University. He is a licensed commercial real estate agent in Washington, DC, with Maryland licensure in process. He is an active member of the Alfred Street Baptist Church, volunteers with Reading Partners, DC, and lives with his wife in Washington, DC.



MARIAN M. PEGRAM

PROPERTY AND FACILITIES

Marian M. Pegram is an experienced health care management professional with over twenty-five years of experience assisting government, private sector and non-profit organizations in the areas of program management; healthcare compliance and privacy; policy and procedures development; and strategic planning.

Marian serves as the Program Director for CareFirst BlueCross BlueShield where she manages the compliance and privacy program for the company's Federal Employees Health Benefit Program (FEHBP) that serves over 600,000 Members located in the DMV area. She is responsible for developing, documenting and updating the Standard Operating Procedures (SOPs) and process workflows regarding releasing medical records; investigating privacy incidents and customer service complaints; and conducting risk assessments. She is also responsible for ensuring that over 650 employees and contractors across four FEHBP business units understand and adhere to the company's compliance and ethics policies and procedures.

Marian currently serves on the Alfred Street Baptist Church's Property and Facilities Committee as the Corresponding Secretary. During the past two years, she has served as the Committee Policy Lead responsible for coordinating the development of the church's Parking Policy, Facility Use Policy and Vehicle Use Policy for review and approval by the Governance and Legal Committee. In addition, as a member of the committee, Marian advises the Director of the Property and Facilities Committee on issues related to budget; repairs and maintenance; security; and church expansion.

Marian is an active member of Discipleship Group #13 where she served as the Corresponding Secretary for two years. She also has served as a member of the Greeter Ministry for seven years. Marian has actively participated on the Brothers Keeper Committee for over seven years. During the past three years, she has served as the Coats Purchasing Lead for the Brother's Keeper Blessings Subcommittee responsible for buying and distributing over 1000 coats to children in the community. In addition, she is currently serving as the Lead for the HBCU Sunday Selection Committee responsible for implementing the vetting process to identify and recommend to the Pastor the school that is recognized on HBCU Sunday. She also has volunteered for the Feed the 5000 and Christmas Basket projects.

Marian is a graduate of the Virginia State University where she received her B.S. in Biology. She is a member of the Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc.



SHANNON BURTON

PROPERTY AND FACILITIES

Shannon Burton lives in Washington, DC and has been an active member of ASBC for over 6 years. Prior to moving to the Washington area in 2012, she worked at the City of Atlanta, as a Buyer for City services. She was promoted to Project Manager in the Office of Mayor Shirley Franklin, where she oversaw the construction of the Public Safety Headquarters and 911 Call Center for the City of Atlanta Police and Fire Rescue Department. This awesome opportunity provided her with knowledge of the intricacies and numerous steps involved in bringing a new facility from idea to reality. After that, she became a supervisor in the Mayor's Office of Facilities Management, overseeing the contracting and funding for all services for City of Atlanta buildings. She has experience in facilities management, construction, financing and build-out for large capital projects, as well as managing personal properties in her former home states of Ohio and Georgia. Now, as an employee of the Navy, she is now entrusted with the opportunity to be involved in important acquisitions that help protect and enhance the capabilities of the Armed Forces.

She is a 1998 graduate of Spelman College with a degree in Economics. Because of her interest in health disparities and nutrition, she graduated with a Masters in Public Health from Morehouse School of Medicine. Her other interests include history and the arts, as well as sustainability and conservation.

She strives to show what it means to be a representative of Christ every day. Since coming to Alfred Street, her faith has reached new depths, and her relationship with God is stronger than she ever imagined it could be. She is eternally grateful for God's kindness, mercy and love in her life. She has found fulfillment in being part of the Alfred Street family. Not just attending fun events like Christmas at the Kennedy Center and Alvin Ailey, ASBC movie nights, and the like, but she has also taken advantage of many opportunities to get involved and be of service to the community and now looks forward to being able to be a part of the great things to come at Alfred Street in the future.



LISA WILSON

COUNCIL MEMBER AT-LARGE

Lisa is a twenty-nine-year employee of the Arlington County Commonwealth's Attorney's Office. She began her tenure in 1990 following a judicial clerkship with the Fairfax County Circuit Court. From 1990 to 2003, Lisa was an Assistant Commonwealth's Attorney. While serving in that capacity, she was responsible for prosecuting all crimes occurring in Arlington County and Reagan National Airport as well as felony offenses occurring in the City of Falls Church. As an Assistant, Lisa made regular appearances in the Arlington County General District Court, Juvenile and Domestic Relations District Court and Circuit Court. Her caseload involved both violent and non-violent crimes, including embezzlement, fraud, larceny, sexual assault, robbery, and homicide. Lisa also served as liaison to the City of Falls Church police department as well as a guest lecturer at the Northern Virginia Criminal Justice Training Academy.

In 2003, Lisa was promoted to the position of Deputy Commonwealth's Attorney becoming the first African-American in Arlington County history to hold that title. She now serves as Administrator for the Arlington County Commonwealth's Attorney's Office. Her duties include managing a multi-million-dollar annual budget, functioning as human resources officer, supervising the legal support staff, advising the Commonwealth's Attorney on issues related to finance and/or personnel and serving as liaison to various state and local agencies. Lisa continues to make periodic appearances in the Arlington County Circuit Court.

In January of 2013, Lisa was appointed to the Virginia State Bar Disciplinary Board by the Chief Justice of the Virginia Supreme Court. As a member of the Disciplinary Board, she adjudicated cases involving lawyer misconduct. In July of 2018, she began a year-long tenure as Board Chair. She is the first African-American woman to be elected Chair of the Disciplinary Board. Lisa currently serves on the faculty of the Virginia State Bar Harry L. Carrico Professionalism Course. She was recently appointed to the Virginia State Bar Clients' Protection Fund Board.

Lisa has been a member of the historic Alfred Street Baptist Church in Alexandria, VA for over twenty-years. She is a former member of the ASBC Personnel (now Human Resources) Committee. She served on the Board of Trustees for ten years before being elected to the Church Council in 2017. She currently serves as a member of the Council's Pastoral Compensation & Evaluation Subcommittee and is a Council representative to the ASBC Nominating Committee.

Lisa is a native of Norfolk, Virginia. She is a graduate of the University of Virginia where she received a Bachelor of Arts in Foreign Affairs and a Juris Doctor. She is a member of Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Inc.



ALLYN BROOKS-LASURE

COUNCIL MEMBER AT-LARGE

At his previous church, Brooks-LaSure served as president of the Young Adult Group and as a three-year member on the Staff-Parish Relations Committee (SPRC). In his capacity as young adult president, Brooks-LaSure served on the church Administrative Board, representing the interests of young adults as church leaders weighed key decisions regarding the budget, facilities, ministries, and church-wide activities. As an SPRC member, Allyn supported the committee's charge to foster strong congregation-staff relations by fielding congregation concerns and feedback for the pastoral, lay, and administrative staff; joining other members in evaluating and recommending salary and benefits for the pastor and staff; and, working with church leadership “to fulfill legal and ethical responsibilities related to staff.” Allyn is a past board member of the Greater Washington Urban League (GWUL) Thursday Network and was a founding board member of the Virginia Leadership Institute -- a grassroots organization committed to increasing the number of people of color elected to office in the Commonwealth.

Brooks-LaSure currently serves as Executive Vice President for Communications at The Leadership Conference on Civil and Human Rights – a 69-year-old coalition that coordinates the federal engagement of more than 220 civil rights organizations in the fights that matter the most to American communities. In this role, he is charged with broadening and extending the reach of the traditional civil rights movement. As a U.S. State Department Foreign Service Officer, Brooks-LaSure served previously as the UK Desk Officer, supporting policymakers in maintaining the special U.S.-UK relationship. Before his Desk Officer tour, Allyn served as a climate communications advisor in the State Department’s Bureau of Public Affairs, where he supported the department's efforts to showcase U.S. leadership on climate change – most notably in 2015 at the Paris climate negotiations. He also served as a consular officer in Melbourne, Australia, where he delivered a TEDx talk on Rosa Parks and the Civil Rights Movement to Australian youth (www.tinyurl.com/rosa-role).

Before his Melbourne tour, Brooks-LaSure supported the State Department's countering violent extremism efforts in Washington, and served in public diplomacy positions at the U.S. Embassy in Riyadh and the U.S. Consulate General in Dhahran. Prior to joining the Foreign Service, Allyn served as deputy associate administrator for external affairs at the Environmental Protection Agency. As an Obama EPA political appointee, Allyn co-led, all aspects of web communications, public engagement, media relations and production for the agency. Brooks-LaSure has also served as spokesman for two U.S. Senators, the National Prostate Cancer Coalition, and the Save Darfur Coalition. At The Caraway Group, Allyn led public relations client accounts for the Microsoft Corporation and the U.S. Army Accessions Command. Allyn is a New Jersey native and graduate of The Citadel in Charleston, S.C. He and his wife Chiquita have one daughter, Alexie.

SHELVEE OSBORNE

COUNCIL MEMBER AT-LARGE



Shelvee Osborne is an IT Application Development Manager for the Modernized e-File (MeF) Project of the Internal Revenue Service (IRS). Shelvee has 41 years of service and 17 years of managerial experience leading IRS tax processing systems through annual tax law changes. The system incorporates changes related to the Affordable Care Act, Foreign Account Tax Compliance Act (FATCA) and Tax Reform for 2020. The annual \$28 million budget includes contractors and matrixed employees. The MeF system related refunds are received in less than 14 business days. Shelvee worked on the MeF IT team recognized in the 2011 issue of Government Computer News for defining directions in government IT and is also a recipient of Vice President Gore's Hammer Award for Reinventing Government.

In 2014, Shelvee headed an 18 month Project to ensure MeF reaches Capability Maturity Model Integration (standardization) and in 2017, headed a project to migrate MeF Requirements Collaborative Lifecycle Management, both efforts were on schedule, within budget and mandated by the IRS Commissioner.

Shelvee's family originated from humble beginnings and when her mom desired to attend college in 1945, her grandmother responded, "I'll find a way." Shelvee's mother graduated from Norfolk State University, beginning a legacy that continued with Shelvee and her sister, Petra. Shelvee joined the Norfolk State University Alumni Association understanding that 90% of its students receive financial aid and she set out to "Find A Way" to assist students. She is a founder of the NSU Greater Northern VA Alumni Chapter and established the Chapter's Endowed Scholarship. Shelvee established the NSU Holley/Osborne family Endowed Scholarship at NSU Business School.

Shelvee joined ASBC in 2004, joined the Usher Ministry, active in Discipleship 13 (serving the homeless at church and at the Carpenter Shelter) and was a member of the HBCU Committee when the first festival was held in the Multi-Purpose Room. Shelvee was a member ASBC Board of Trustees for 7 years (became the Secretary and created a Trustee Manual). Shelvee was elected to the ASBC Council in 2018 (Secretary), host a second Village and serves on the usher board.

Shelvee was again selected to the ASBC Foundation Board in 2019 and feels it is important/rewarding to assist students "Find A Way" to continue their education. Shelvee has supported the ASBC Foundation Scholarship Committee for 6 years, heads a scholarship application review team and serves on the Communication's Committee.

Shelvee is a Life Member of Blacks in Government focused on training/mentorship, former Exchange at Van Dorn Home Owner's Association Board member, the first Wells Fargo Bank MEAC Distinguished Alumnus Award recipient, Life Member of the NSU Alumni Association and Past National President. Shelvee was recognized as an NSU Academy of Distinguished Alumni and inducted into the Emerald Giving Society. Shelvee graduated from NSU in 1979, BS in Business Management, held numerous managerial positions and has a Master's Certificate from George Washington in Project Management.

Shelvee feels she has been blessed by God in so many ways and is honored to serve.



TIMOTHY BODDIE

COUNCIL MEMBER AT-LARGE

The Reverend Dr. Timothy Tee Boddie is the immediate past General Secretary and Chief Administrative Officer of the Progressive National Baptist Convention in Washington, DC. Previously, he served as the Director of the Master of Arts in Christian Education (MACE) degree program and at Shaw University Divinity School. Dr. Boddie is also a former senior pastor of the historic Friendship Baptist Church in Atlanta, Georgia, becoming only the sixth pastor in its illustrious 150-year history.

Prior to parish ministry, Dr. Boddie served for 11 years as University Chaplain and Pastor of the Memorial Church at Hampton University in Hampton, Virginia. As University Chaplain, Rev. Boddie performed in a dual role, as Campus Minister and as Executive Secretary of the nationally acclaimed Hampton University Ministers' Conference. In 2007, Chaplain Boddie was elected to a one-year term as president of the National Association of College and University Chaplains, becoming the first African-American from a historically Black university to serve this capacity in the organization's then 60-year history.

Born in Raleigh, NC, Dr. Boddie was reared in Newport News, VA, and is the product of its public schools. An honor graduate of Atlanta's Morehouse College, Dr. Boddie majored in English at Morehouse and also holds a master's degree from Stanford University. He has done further study at New York University, and earned his doctorate degree from Union Presbyterian Seminary in Richmond, VA.

His multiple gifts as a preacher, teacher, administrator, pastor and author bespeak his commitment to excellence in ministry and education. These gifts have afforded him the opportunity of preaching and speaking in a wide variety of venues, writing numerous articles and editing a book, *Wisdom of the Sages: Conversations with the ACD Vaughn Senior Statesmen of the Hampton University Ministers' Conference 1996-2005*, published in 2007, by UMI of Chicago.

A fourth generation Baptist preacher, Pastor Boddie served for six years as Associate Minister of the First Church of Newport News (Baptist), where his parents, the late Dr. and Mrs. Fred J. Boddie, Jr., served as pastor and first lady, respectively, for nearly 40 years.

Dr. Boddie is joyously married to Geulia (pronounced "Julia") Diggs Boddie, a native of Franklin, VA, and a magna cum laude graduate of both Fisk and Hampton Universities. They are the blessed and proud parents of two children, Maya Jillian, a 2016 graduate of Hampton University, ("The real HU?") and T. Michael, a 2019 graduate of the University of South Carolina (Go Gamecocks!).



BERNARD JACKSON

COUNCIL MEMBER AT-LARGE

Dr. Bernard Jackson, is the President and Chief Executive Officer for Leading Edge Solutions, LLC a Service-Disabled Veteran owned small business. Leading Edge Solutions is a business management and leadership development consulting company that specializes in creating innovative solutions to enhance competitive advantage in the global market space. Dr. Jackson is a retired Navy Captain with over 25 years of operational leadership experience in a wide range of programs. Significant leadership assignments at sea include Commanding Officer Destroyer Squadron Fourteen, Commanding Officer USS McFAUL (DDG-74) and Executive Officer USS TICONDEROGA (CG-47). Significant ashore assignments include service as Deputy Director Military Plans and Policy Directorate (OPNAV N13), Chief of Naval Operations Strategic Studies Group Fellow, Executive Secretary Navy Human Resources Board of Directors (OPNAV N1) and Joint Staff J-5, Strategic Planner.

From 2006 to 2010 Dr. Jackson served as the National President of the National Naval Officers Association (NNOA). During his tenure as President, NNOA provided support to Navy and Coast Guard efforts to increase diversity at the service academies and Naval ROTC programs. In 2011 Dr. Jackson established the NNOA Science Technology Engineering and Math program. He leveraged a national network of civilian and military champions to create a robust science, technology, engineering and math (STEM) program which stimulated more than 95 students to pursue an interest in the study of STEM related programs using innovative outreach technics. From 2011 to 2014, this program awarded over \$330,000.00 in scholarships to minority students enrolled in STEM related college level studies. Dr. Jackson currently serves on the Board of Directors for the Savannah State University Foundation. Dr. Jackson also serves on the Board of the Concerned Citizens Network of Alexandria (CCNA). CCNA coordinates with local government, state and community stakeholders to empower a comprehensive community-wide effort, to increase student achievement and reduce the Alexandria City Public Schools (ACPS) high school dropout rate.

Dr. Jackson received his Bachelor of Science degrees (Chemistry/Math) from Savannah State University. He was awarded a Master's Degree in National Security and Strategic Studies from the Naval War College. He received his Doctoral Degree (PhD) in Organizational Management with a specialization in leadership from Capella University. He has completed the Navy Corporate Business Course, University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill business school. Dr. Jackson serves as the President of the Alfred Street Baptist Church HCBU College Festival Ministry. The Alfred Street HCBU College Festival is recognized as one of the largest college festivals on the east coast.

In 2013 he was awarded the Founders' Award and in 2014 he was awarded the Basileus Award for outstanding contributions to Tau Lambda Lambda Chapter of Omega Psi Phi, Inc. In 2016 he was awarded the Omega Man of the Year Award for his service as the Chair of the highly successful Purple Boot Mentoring Program (PBMP). In 2017 the Purple Boot Mentoring Program was recognized as the top performing robotics team in the College of Southern Maryland annual robotics competition.



TAMEKA MILLER

COUNCIL MEMBER AT-LARGE

Dr. Tameka Miller is a Diversity and Inclusion Manager in Washington, DC. She is a Global Diversity Leader with extensive experience in non-profit and government industries. In her current role, she provides strategic direction, thought leadership and champions the development of an inclusive environment by integrating diversity practice into all aspects of the business on a global scale.

Tameka has received several awards and accolades throughout her lifetime for her dedication to her community and career. Her Dissertation, published in 2018, “ Exploring Organizational Climate and Motivational Challenges for Minority Women”, helped others, primarily women of color tell their stories of challenges faced while trying to break the corporate glass ceiling.

A native of Danville, VA, she has a Bachelor’s of Science Degree in Biology from Virginia State University, a Masters of Science in Public Health from Trinity Washington University and a Doctoral Degree in Organizational Leadership from Argosy University. Tameka is an avid reader, writer and devotes her time unselfishly to different community organizations. She is a proud member of the Alfred Street Baptist church where she sings in the choir. Tameka was initiated into the Alpha Eta Chapter (VSU) of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Incorporated in 2007 and currently serves as the Sergeant -At- Arms for the Fort Washington Alumnae Chapter. She is also a proud member of the VSU Alumni Association.



DA'SHAUN JOSEPH

STEWARDSHIP COMMITTEE MEMBER

Da'Shaun Antoinette Joseph began her professional work experience at Lockheed Martin as a Computer Engineer within their Engineering Leadership Development Program (ELDP). Currently, Da'Shaun serves as a Corporate Business Development Advisor where she has a proven track record of dynamic leadership delivering results with more than 10 years of client-facing experience. Her expertise in systems engineering, inclusion/intersectionality and program management has allowed her speak at various conferences and seminars related to those topics.

Ms. Joseph is a proud member of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc. She has been featured in professional publications such as USA Today, NSBE Magazine, Norfolk State University Alumni Magazine and the Black Graduate Student Association Magazine. In addition to the numerous committees and community services she participates while a member of Delta Sigma Theta, Incorporated, she also is a member of many professional organizations. These include (but are not limited to):

- ITSMF Executive Management Academy, 2018 Cohort
- Norfolk State University Computer Science Advisory Board
- Norfolk State University Alumni Chapter – Northern VA
 - 2017 Millennial Leader of the Year
- National Society of Black Engineers (NSBE), 2017 – 2018 Professionals Executive Board Publications Chair
 - 2012 NSBE Female Engineer of the Year (Golden Torch)
- March of Dimes Rising Heroine Nominee
- Young Professional Network (Urban League)
 - 2016 Excellence in STEAM Award Winner

Da'Shaun Joseph received her Master's Degree in Systems Engineering from George Washington University in 2010 and is a proud graduate of Norfolk State University, where she completed a B.S. in Computer Engineering in 2007. While attending Norfolk State, she maintained a full academic scholarship through the DNIMAS program and served as Norfolk State University's Senior Class Queen of 2007 and Ms. National Society of Black Engineers 2006 (NSU). Ms. Joseph received her Program Management Professional (PMP) and ITIL certification in 2016.

In her free time, Da'Shaun is a self-proclaimed foodie, blogger, fitness enthusiast, STEAM advocate and ethical influencer. She comes to the Washington, DC area originally from New Orleans, LA and currently resides with her Yorkie-Poo, Dillon.



DIONNE TYUS GARVIN

STEWARDSHIP COMMITTEE MEMBER

As a manager for a Big-4 audit, tax, and advisory consulting firm, Dionne has spent over 14 years leading the development and delivery of change management and communications solutions for financial services, federal government, and consumer goods/retail clients.

In addition to her consulting career, Dionne has lived a life focused on developing a legacy of generous giving of money, time, and talents. Believing deeply in the power of tithing, generous giving, and the parable of the talents found in Matthew, Dionne serves both as a generous giver and passionate advocate for K-12 education and the performing arts. She currently serves on the Board of Directors for Creative Minds Public Charter School in Washington, DC where she spent three years as the chair of development, supporting the school to raise over \$10,000 in the 2017-2018 school year. She also serves on The Women's Committee for The Washington Ballet, where she helps support development and fundraising annually for the ballet's marquee performances.

Dionne holds a B.S. in business administration from Florida A&M University, an M.A. in communication & culture from Howard University, and an M.S. in educational leadership from the Broad Center for the Management of School Systems. She resides in Fairfax Station with her husband Garry, and her two children Westen (11) and London (15 months).



DANIEL "HANK" WILLIAMS

STEWARDSHIP COMMITTEE MEMBER

Hank Williams is a 1977 graduate of Slippery Rock University of Pennsylvania, where he received a BS degree in Education and Park Administration. Hank was a scholarship football player during his four years at Slippery Rock. After graduating, he coached high school football in Western Pennsylvania for five years, while launching his professional career.

Hank spent his first 15 years employed in the automotive industry, nine of those years as a Quality Assurance Engineer at Volkswagen of America's New Stanton, Pennsylvania Assembly Facility. He moved to the Washington DC area to launch the Range Rover project for Range Rover of North America. He held positions with increasing responsibility at Range Rover over the next six years.

Following a successful career in the automotive industry, Hank spent 27 years in various sales management roles with three different pharmaceutical companies. Hank received several sales performance and leadership awards throughout his tenure in the pharmaceutical industry, and retired from Encore Dermatology in October of 2018.

Currently, Hank is the Vice President of Business Development for a specialty pharmacy company; overseeing the sales and financial growth of all the pharmacies within the company. He is also responsible for growth and expansion into new markets across the nation.

Hank has been married to Vicki Deal-Williams for 32 years; together they have 2 adult daughters. He has been a born again Christian for 53 years, and for 18 of those years Hank served as a trustee/steward at his former church. Faith and family, in that order, are part of his makeup.



EDWARD ROBINSON

STEWARDSHIP COMMITTEE MEMBER

Ed Robinson possesses over thirty years of professional experience in private philanthropy (fundraising and grant making), executive search/recruiting, business development, relationship management and public policy (combined). For the past seven-and-half years, Ed has been first a Senior Vice President, and now, Managing Director (Capital Markets) at Waypoint Residential—a real estate investment manager specializing in apartment, student housing and senior living properties throughout the United States. There he raises equity investment capital from several family offices and high net worth individuals and advisors/funds.

Prior to Waypoint, Ed was the President/CEO of Ten Talents, LLC—an independent consulting firm based on the Parable of the Talents, providing entrepreneurs, senior corporate and nonprofit leaders and family offices/foundations with custom fundraising, foundation/grants management and recruiting/executive search services. Ed also served as a senior advisor for Philanthropic Advisors, LLC (a subsidiary of the Boston-based law firm Goulston Storrs) and a senior search consultant at Witt/Kieffer, the ninth largest executive search firm in the nation and the only one focused exclusively on placing senior executives in colleges/universities, health care organizations, foundations and other national nonprofits.

Prior to 2001, he served Georgetown University, Harvard Law School, the University of Virginia and America’s Promise—The Alliance for Youth, a national organization founded and led (at that time) by General Colin Powell—in senior (full-time) staff fund raising capacities. And to begin his professional career, Ed worked on Capitol Hill as a legislative correspondent for the late Senator John Heinz of Pennsylvania. Ed earned a B.A. in English from Bucknell in 1986, and in 2001, he received the University’s first “Young Alumni Award”—an honor bestowed upon an alumnus whose professional accomplishments, service to alma mater and caring work to benefit society are distinctive among their generation. He also served as a member of the Bucknell University Board of Trustees, the founding chairman of the Bucknell Black Alumni Association and the lead alumni advisor for his undergraduate fraternity.

He and his family reside in Vienna, VA. Active in his extended community, Ed has served on several nonprofit boards, including the Northern Virginia Football Officials Association (NVFOA) and the African American Nonprofit Network (AANN)—and participated in many different civic, community, and professional groups, including the Association of Black Foundation Executives (ABFE), the Association of Fundraising Professionals (AFP) and as a trustee and treasurer of the Alfred Street Baptist Church in Alexandria, Virginia. He currently serves as a certified high school (and former NCAA) football referee and a member of the board of directors of Cycle Connect, an organization that seeks to help rural African communities access trading markets, clean water, healthcare and schools.



LATEISHA GARRETT

STEWARDSHIP COMMITTEE MEMBER

Lateisha Garrett hails from Powhatan, VA and is a graduate of James Madison University (JMU) where she earned a degree in English and political communications. After JMU, Teisha moved to Washington, D.C. to make the world a better place and focused on fundraising from major and grassroots donors.

She has spent most of her career mobilizing and engaging people to support political candidates, advocacy organizations, issues, and non-profits. As a fundraiser, she has raised over \$100 million from email, direct mail, phones, events, and campaigns. She is consistently called on by organizations to serve as an advisor on project implementation, strategy, recruiting, messaging, and more.

She has worked for a number of organizations and campaigns including EMILY's List, American Association for Justice, Democratic Senatorial Campaign Committee, and Women for Women International. She managed all of the marketing and engagement programs at International Medical Corps, a nonprofit focused on emergency response, medical care, and training in nearly 30 countries. She served as the White House Liaison at the National Endowment for the Humanities (NEH) and the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) during the Obama Administration and was the primary connection to the White House Office of Presidential Personnel (PPO). She serves on the board of the Alexandria Commission for Women, Virginia's List, and chairs the board of the Vola Lawson Breast Cancer Fund. In her spare time, she can be found wandering around Alexandria, cheering on a Washington sports team, voraciously consuming books, or baking cupcakes.



LAURIE BROGDON

STEWARDSHIP COMMITTEE MEMBER

Laurie Brogdon is founder and CEO of 5L Strategies, a consulting firm in the Washington, DC Metro Area. Laurie is known for high quality relationship development, working with cross-functional teams, external stakeholders, community members, and industry thought leaders.

She is an accomplished event planner, communications and alumni affairs professional with significant experience at universities including Cornell University, the University of Maryland College Park and Virginia Tech. In her work, Laurie drives efforts to engage with diverse stakeholder groups on behalf of schools/colleges/universities, religious organizations, and corporate organizations.

She specializes in public relations, volunteer management and board management. Her experience is both broad and deep in all areas of communications to include digital, print and social media.

Laurie has a B.A. and M.A. in Communication from Virginia Tech. She is a member of the Public Relations Society of America (PRSA) and the Council for the Advancement and Support of Education (CASE). She has leveraged her programming expertise to co-chair state and regional conference planning committees. Laurie is a proud member of Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Inc. In her free time, she enjoys attending sporting and music events, travel, and spending time with family.



ALANA MALLORY

STEWARDSHIP COMMITTEE MEMBER

In 2010, Alana Mallory graduated from Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University (Virginia Tech) with a B.S. in Business, Hospitality and Tourism Management. Originally from Richmond, VA, Alana now lives in Arlington, VA and is employed by the American Anthropological Association (AAA) as the Assistant Director of Meetings and Conferences. In this role, she manages the logistics, budget, program content, and special events for a multi-day annual meeting of 7,000 attendees; and logistics for 15-20 additional national and international conferences. Prior to AAA, Alana managed conferences, events, and online education for America's Essential Hospitals in Washington, DC. She is also a certified wedding planner and owner of "Sequin Soirees Weddings & Special Events."

In 2015, Alana was recognized by the Professional Convention Management Association, one of the largest and well-regarded associations for hospitality professionals, as one of their "20 in Their Twenties." This competitive honor is awarded annually to twenty of the top young professionals to watch in the meeting and events industry.

In 2016, Alana enrolled in and graduated from Dave Ramsey's Financial Peace University (FPU), a course that would forever save and change the trajectory of her life. She was so inspired by her experience that she served as a facilitator for Alfred Street's two consecutive classes, and continues to facilitate whenever possible. She looks forward to doing her "debt-free scream" in 2020 and ultimately achieving the last and final step in the program, "Build wealth and GIVE."

Alana has always had a love for the arts and a heart to serve. An extremely involved member of Alfred Street, she may usually be found smiling from the choir loft while singing with Royal Priesthood and teaching/volunteering in ASBC's numerous children's ministries.

Outside of the church and professional arenas, Alana is a member of Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Incorporated; a steering committee member of Virginia Tech's Black Alumni Society; an avid moviegoer; and a foodie.

The Nominating Committee has scheduled “Meet and Greet Candidates” forums for the ASBC congregation to have an opportunity to converse with all the candidates prior to the December 10th annual church business meeting.

The two forums will take place in the Fellowship Hall on Saturday, Decembber 7th at 7:30-8:30 PM and Sunday, December 8th from 1:00-2:00 PM.