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EDUCATION

1997 M.A. (History), Cleveland State University, Cleveland, Ohio.
1996 B.A. *cum laude*, (History) Cleveland State University, Cleveland, Ohio.

RESEARCH AND TEACHING INTERESTS

Twentieth Century African American Cultural and Intellectual History;
Race, Class, and Gender Inequalities; Urban Politics/Public Policy;
Education and Social Justice; Race, Crime and the Justice System;
Voting Rights.

PROFESSIONAL EMPLOYMENT

2008 - 2014 Ohio Senate. State Senator, 25th District. 127th through 130th General Assembly (Minority Whip).
2006 – 2008 Cleveland City Council. Councilwoman, Ward 1.
2004 – Present ***What is current title?*** Cuyahoga Community College, Cleveland, Ohio.
2003 - 2004 Assistant Professor.
1998 - 2001 Adjunct Faculty.
2001 - 2003 Cleveland Municipal School District, Cleveland, Ohio. Director of Government Affairs
1999 - 2001 Office of Mayor Michael R. White, Cleveland, Ohio. Executive Assistant for Legislative Affairs.
1997 – 1999 Ohio Senate. Office of State Senator Rhine McLin, Columbus, Ohio. Legislative Aide.
1996 - 1997 Cleveland State University, Cleveland, Ohio. Teaching Assistant.

AWARDS AND HONORS

2013 Wilberforce University. Honorary Doctorate of Humane Letters.
2013 *The Root* 100.
2013 Drum Majors for Justice Leadership Award. Awarded by the Martin Luther King, Jr. Memorial Foundation.
2013 Most Interesting People. Awarded by Cleveland Magazine.
2013 Congresswoman Stephanie Tubbs Jones Public Service Award. Awarded by the American Constitution Society, Northeast Ohio Chapter.
2013 NEOCH Advocate of the Year.
2013 Power 100. Named one of Northeast Ohio's Most Influential People by *Inside Business* magazine.
2012 ADAMHS Legislator of the Year.
2012 Fannie M. Lewis Courage Award. Awarded by School Choice Ohio for work on the Cleveland Plan.
2012 Legislator of the Year. Awarded by the Public Children Services Association of Ohio.

- 2012 Power 100. Named one of Northeast Ohio's Most Influential People by *Inside Business* magazine.
- 2011 Most Valuable State Senator. *The Nation* magazine
- 2011 Legislative Champion for Children. Awarded by: The Ohio School Based Health Care Association; Voices for Ohio's Children; Ohio Afterschool Network; American Academy of Pediatrics, Ohio Chapter.
- 2011 Power 100. Named one of Northeast Ohio's Most Influential People by *Inside Business* magazine.
- 2010 Distinguished Governmental Service Award. Awarded by The Ohio Association of Career Colleges and Schools.
- 2010 Women of Excellence Award. Awarded by The Corporate Club at Landerhaven.
- 2010 Power 100. Named one of Northeast Ohio's Most Influential People by *Inside Business* magazine.
- 2006 Civil Rights Award. Awarded by: NAACP, Cleveland Chapter.

MEDIA APPEARANCES (select list)

2010 – Present

Meet the Press
 Real Time with Bill Maher
 Hardball
 Morning Joe
 The Rachel Maddow Show
 The Ed Show (TV and Radio)
 PoliticsNation with Al Sharpton
 The Last Word with Lawrence O'Donnell
 Melissa Harris Perry Show
 All In with Chris Hayes
 Daily Run Down
 Thomas Roberts
 Jansing and Company
 Up with Steve Kornacki
 Disrupt with Karen Finney
 The Situation Room with Wolf Blitzer
 Washington Week (PBS)

PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT/ COMMUNITY ACTIVITES

- 2011 Leadership Cleveland, Class of 2011.
- 2010 Bowhay Institute for Legislative Leadership Development, Council of State Government, Class of 2010.
- 2008 Cuyahoga Community College. U.S. Department of Education, HEA Hearing, Cuyahoga Community College, Corporate College East, October, 2008.
- 2006 Oxford Round Table (Invitation Only). Discussions of Diversity, Pembroke College, Oxford, England. Round Table participant.
- 2005 National Endowment for the Humanities. Landmarks of American History Program: History of Steel in Cleveland, workshop participant.

2004 Bowling Green State University and Kent State University Information Literacy Grant Project. Proposal: “Forgotten Cleveland: An Interdisciplinary Approach to Problem-Based Learning.”

NOTABLE SPEAKING ENGAGEMENTS (partial list)

2006-2013

2013 Ohio Democratic Party Legacy Dinner—Columbus, OH.
2013 Democratic National Committee General Session—Phoenix, AZ.
2013 Wilberforce University Commencement Speech—Wilberforce, OH.
2013 National Association of Housing & Redevelopment Officials Conference—Cleveland, OH.
2013 American Federation of Government Employees VA Council Conference—San Juan, PR.
2012 American Federation of Government Employees Conference—Las Vegas, NV.
2012 Democrats for Education Reform Town Hall | Democratic National Convention—Charlotte, NC.
2012 United Food & Commercial Workers Convention—Orlando, FL.
2012 American Association of Community Colleges National Convention—Washington, D.C.
2012 Fannie M. Lewis Courage Awards Ceremony—Cleveland, OH.
2012 UAW International Women’s Conference—Black Water, MI.
2011 Ohio Civil Service Employees Association Bi-annual Convention—Columbus, OH.
2011 Coalition of Labor Union Women Convention—Orlando, FL.
2011 Campaign for America’s Future Conference, panelist—Washington, D.C.
2010 AFL-CIO Statewide Diversity Conference—Columbus, OH.
2010 Demos Panel, “Young & Broke”—Washington, D.C.
2010 Coalition of Labor Union Women National Leadership Academy—Reno, NV.
2009 Komen Race for the Cure—Cleveland, OH.
2009 Panel discussion on Cuyahoga County Reform—Cleveland, OH.
2008 From “I Have A Dream” to “Yes, We Can”: The Civil Rights Movement Before and Beyond, Cleveland State University.
2008 Finding Hope in the Housing Crisis, Cleveland Realist Association, Martin Luther King Day Celebration.
2008 Youth Innovation Forums, John Carroll University, Dolan Science & Technology Center.
2008 Living the Legacy. National Council of Negro Women, Inc., The City Club of Cleveland, Ohio.
2006 Journey to Success. Charles W. Eliot K-8 School Promotion Ceremony, Class of 2010, Cleveland, Ohio.
2006 Educate, Promote, Increase, Serve, Support. (Mistress of Ceremony). Consortium of African American Organizations 5th Anniversary Executive Auction.
2006 Black History Past, Black History Future, Cleveland’s Black History. The City of Cleveland, Annual Black History Month Celebration, Cleveland, Ohio.

- 2006 Celebrating Community: A Tribute to Black Fraternal, Social and Civic Institutions. NASA Glenn Black History Month Commemoration, Cleveland, Ohio.
- 2006 Honoring Our Past, By Excelling Today. High Tech Academy, Cuyahoga Community College, Cleveland, Ohio, 2006.

PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS

2006-2015

- Ohio Legislative Black Caucus
- Intercollegiate Social Science Association (ISSA), Executive Committee
- Ohio Academy of History
- Cuyahoga Community College Black Caucus
- Cuyahoga Community College Metro Faculty Senate
- Catalyst Cleveland Editorial Board.
- Kaleidoscope Magazine 40/40 Club, Class of 2001.
- National Council of Negro Women.
- African American Women’s Papers’ Project (AAWPP).
- National Association for the Advancement of Colored People (NAACP)
- Cleveland Police Foundation. Member, Board of Directors.
- Great Lakes Science Center. Member, Board of Directors.
- United Way of Greater Cleveland. Member, Board of Directors.
- Friends of Ginn Academy. Member, Board of Directors.

LEGISLATIVE AFFILIATIONS

2008-2017

- Ohio Collaborative on Community and Police relations
- Ohio Task Force on Community and Police Relations
- Ohio Children’s Caucus, Co-Chair.
- Cancer Caucus. Small Business Caucus.
- College Access & Opportunity Caucus.
- Governor’s Office of Faith-Based and Community Organizations, Advisory Board.
- Ohio African American Hall of Fame, Governing Board.
- Co-op/ Internship Program, Advisory Board.

TEACHING

Course title	
HISTORY: African American History Pre-History-1877	
HISTORY: African American History 1877-Present	
HISTORY: American History 1877-Present	
HISTORY: African American Women	
URBAN STUDIES: Introduction to Urban Studies	
URBAN STUDIES: Urban Cultures	
URBAN STUDIES: Urban Politics	
HISTORY: History of World Civilization Pre-History to 1500	
HISTORY: History of World Civilization 1500-Present	
POLI SCI: State and Local Government	
POLI SCI: American National Government	WOMENS STUDIES:
Introduction to Women’s Studies	5

