



RACE & REGIONALISM
2005

CONFERENCE OVERVIEW

MAY 6 & 7, 2005
MINNEAPOLIS

*Exploring Regional
Reform for People
of all Races*

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Greetings!

Thank you for joining us for a two-day exploration of the issues of race and regionalism. We are delighted that you have taken the time to be with us to listen, learn and participate in our conversations with activists and academics alike.

The issues you'll hear discussed will cover far-reaching yet intersecting fields: affordable housing, transportation equity, land use policy, education financing, civil rights law and regional governance. The thread that runs through it all is racial equity through regional reforms. Sometimes we hear working on issues of race is too hard, or race is an add-on. But in this conference race is front and center.

Our panels are organized to build upon each other throughout each day. We will start by grounding ourselves in the dire situation distressed communities face and the great need for change, and we'll end on a more optimistic note focusing on good efforts underway. Our day opens with a session on segregated communities and the effects they have on the people who live there. We then move into a session on racial change in neighborhoods and suburbs, discussing the forces of resegregation and the hard work that must be done to achieve stably integrated communities, including some communities' successes. Our lunch speaker will be Sheryll Cashin, who will discuss the difficulties of housing integration and the societal and economic benefits for communities when it's done right. In the afternoon sessions we'll first focus on existing and potential housing and land use policies that would foster racial integration in communities. We'll end the day with a discussion of the politics of building interracial coalitions for reform, touching on both tensions and opportunities.

On Saturday, we'll start with an ethnography of segregation by Elijah Anderson, author of "The Code of the Street." His depiction of abandoned urban neighborhoods and the people who live there will remind us all of the need for action on a regional scale; high-end retail in one neighborhood does not solve the problems of concentrated poverty on the other side of the city. The next panel will delve a bit deeper into a discussion of some of the tools that have proven most useful in integrating communities: public schools. The 9:20 panel will discuss the potential for funding remedies to smooth out the disparities across individual public schools; the 10:45 panel will discuss the pros and cons of busing and school choice as tools to integrate schools both racially and economically. Both panels will make the connections between the schools and the housing market. Our Saturday lunch speaker is Richard Thompson Ford, an expert on regional governance. He will lead the discussion in the next panel on the connection between balanced regional governance and greater regional equity. We'll wrap up the day with a closing session in which the conference hosts are joined by Ford Foundation deputy director Carl Anthony for a discussion of "Racially Inclusive Regional Reforms: Today's Civil Rights Mandate."

We hope that by the end of the conference we will all be enriched with new concepts, innovative strategies and new personal contacts with peers working in overlapping fields. All of this will enhance our work back home. Thanks for all the great work you do and for sharing your ideas with us at the conference.

Myron Orfield
john a. powell

Friday
 May 6th
 2005

TIME	EVENT	DESCRIPTION	PARTICIPANTS
8:00 – 8:30 a.m.	Continental Breakfast and Conference Registration		
8:30 – 8:45 a.m.	Welcome and Opening Remarks	General overview of events and framing remarks about the themes to be explored in the conference.	Dean Alex Johnson, University of Minnesota Law School Myron Orfield, Institute on Race & Poverty john powell, Kirwan Institute
8:45 – 10:15 a.m.	Session I: Segregation and its Consequences	Panelists will discuss the many layers to housing discrimination and social segregation and how it damages the fabric of communities and individual futures.	john powell, Kirwan Institute Gary Orfield, Civil Rights Project Robert Bullard, Clark Atlanta University Introductions by: Myron Orfield; Moderator: C. Ann Olson, Institute on Race & Poverty
10:15 – 10:30 a.m.	Break	Refreshments	
10:30 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.	Session II: Race & The Suburbs: The Forces of Resegregation	Resegregation has occurred in many metropolitan regions, even after decades of integration through school desegregation programs. What's the pattern and what are some of the remedies?	Walter Mondale, Dorsey & Whitney Myron Orfield, Institute on Race & Poverty Harold Adams, Stable Integration Governing Board Laura Siena, The Integration Project Moderator: Thomas Luce, Institute on Race & Poverty

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12:15 – 1:25 p.m.	Luncheon and Speech in the Winter Garden	Sit-down lunch for all conference participants, with speech given during lunch and booksigning to follow.	Introduction by John Powell, Kirwan Institute; Talk by Sheryll Cashin, Georgetown Law School
1:30 – 3:00 p.m.	Session III: Housing and Land Use Policy	What can the courts do to enforce fair housing? Panelists will discuss the benefits and drawbacks to various approaches to providing affordable housing across metropolitan regions, including strategies like low-income housing tax credits and suburban allocations of affordable housing.	John Powell, Kirwan Institute Phil Tegeler, Poverty & Race Research Action Council Kevin Walsh, Fair Share Housing Center Moderator: Josie Johnson, Former University of Minnesota Regent
3:00 – 3:15 p.m.	Break	Refreshments	
3:15 – 4:45 p.m.	Session IV: Politics of Interracial Strategies: Opportunities and Tensions in Cities, Suburbs and Rural Places	Regional reform is possible when disparate groups come together in coalitions for change. What are the political implications of interracial efforts?	Maya Wiley, Center for Social Inclusion Guy-Uriel Charles, University of Minnesota Law School Rev. Tommie Pierson, Metropolitan Congregations United Myron Orfield, Institute on Race & Poverty Moderator: Thomas Luce, Institute on Race & Poverty
5:00 – 7:00 p.m.	Reception in the Hiawatha Foyer	Cash bar reception and hors d'oeuvres in Hiawatha Foyer.	No speakers.

Saturday
 May 7th
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TIME	EVENT	DESCRIPTION	PARTICIPANTS
8:00 a.m. – 8:30 a.m.	Continental Breakfast and ongoing Conference Registration		
8:30 – 9:15 a.m.	Ethnography of Segregation	Professor Anderson will walk us through an ethnography of distressed persons, sociological systems and impacts.	Elijah Anderson, University of Pennsylvania Moderator: Jill Mazullo, Institute on Race & Poverty
9:20 – 10:30 a.m.	Session V: Desegregating Schools Using Funding Remedies	Panelists will discuss various means of desegregating schools for racially equitable outcomes by providing more-than-equal funding remedies.	James Ryan, University of Virginia Law School Heaster Wheeler, Detroit NAACP Daria Roithmayr, University of Illinois College of Law Moderator: Jim Chen, University of Minnesota Law School
10:30 – 10:45 a.m.	Break	Refreshments	
10:45 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.	Session VI: Evaluating Tools for Achieving Integration Through Busing, Housing and Regional Planning	Panelists will discuss the potential for achieving integrated schools through busing, community schools and other techniques.	Roland Anglin, New Jersey Public Policy Research Institute Gary Orfield, Harvard Dan Shulman, Gray Plant Mooty Angela James, Empower Hampton Roads Moderator: C. Ann Olson, Institute on Race & Poverty

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12:15 – 1:25 p.m.	Luncheon & Speech	Sit-down lunch for all conference participants with speech during lunch.	<p>Introductions by Myron Orfield, Institute on Race & Poverty</p> <p>Remarks by Rip Rapson, McKnight Foundation</p> <p>Talk by Richard T. Ford, Stanford Law School</p>
1:30 – 3:00 p.m.	Session VII: Regional Equity: Governance, Housing, Taxes & Transportation	Across the country we can find many approaches to regional governance; this panel will consider which approaches are likely to support racial and economic equity and which forms are less likely to support equity.	<p>David Miller, University of Pittsburgh</p> <p>Audrey McFarlane, University of Baltimore</p> <p>Richard Briffault, Columbia Law School</p> <p>Al Martin, MOSES</p> <p>Moderator: Richard T. Ford, Stanford Law School</p>
3:00 – 3:15 p.m.	Break	Refreshments	
3:15 – 4:45 p.m.	Session VIII: Racially Inclusive Regional Reforms: Today's Civil Rights Mandate	Speakers will make plain the connections between regional governance, coordinated land use policies, regional affordable housing strategies, school funding, and ultimately, better opportunity outcomes for all.	<p>john powell, Kirwan Institute</p> <p>Carl Anthony, Ford Foundation</p> <p>Rev. Kevin Turman, MOSES</p> <p>Myron Orfield, Institute on Race & Poverty</p> <p>Moderator: Nicholas Wallace, Institute on Race & Poverty</p>

Your Conference Speakers



Harold M. Adams, Jr.

Harold M. Adams, Jr. is a business and civic leader in the township of Pennsauken, New Jersey. He is owner and operator of Fee Appraisal Services (FAS), a real estate appraisal business servicing the Delaware Valley. Harold is very active in the community and serves as Chair of the Stable Integration Governing Board (SIGB) and Vice Chair of Neighbors Empowering Pennsauken (NEP). Both organizations are charged with creating an intentional racially integrated community that is whole and stable. He also provides real estate and construction expertise as a member of the Pennsauken Zoning Board. Harold is also a volunteer member of the steering committee for the New Jersey Regional Equity Coalition, which seeks to change the current growth share policies of New Jersey from one that promotes economic and racial segregation to one that promotes a fair equitable distribution of economic opportunity and is racially inclusive. After graduating from the University of Maryland, Harold proudly served in the US Air Force for eight years. He is married with two children and is a jazz musician performing in venues in New Jersey, Pennsylvania, Delaware and New York.

Elijah Anderson



Elijah Anderson is the Charles and William L. Day Distinguished Professor of the Social Sciences and Professor of Sociology at the University of Pennsylvania. An expert on the sociology of black America, he is the author of the classic sociological work, *A Place on the Corner: A Study of Black Street Corner Men* (1978; 2003) and numerous articles on the black experience, including "Of Old Heads and Young Boys: Notes on the Urban Black Experience" (1986), commissioned by the National Research Council's Committee on the Status of Black Americans, "Sex Codes and Family Life among Inner-City Youth" (1989), and "The Code of the Streets," which was the cover story in the May 1994 issue of *The Atlantic Monthly*. For his ethnographic study *Streetwise: Race, Class and Change in an Urban Community* (1990), he was honored with the Robert E. Park Award, for the best published book in the area of Urban Sociology, of the American Sociological Association. Dr. Anderson authored the "Introduction" to the republication of *The Philadelphia Negro* by W.E.B. DuBois (1996), and his expanded version of the Atlantic piece, *The Code of the Street: Decency, Violence, and the Moral Life of the Inner City*, published by W.W. Norton (1999), he was honored with the Karmarovsky Award of the Eastern Sociological Society. Professor Anderson has served as Visiting Professor at Swarthmore College, Yale University, and Princeton University. In addition, he has also won the Lindback Award for Distinguished Teaching at Penn and was named the Robin M. Williams, Jr., Distinguished Lecturer for 1999-2000 by the Eastern Sociological Association.

He has made appearances on national news programs, including the Jim Lehrer *NewsHour*. Dr. Anderson is director of the Philadelphia Ethnography Project, associate editor of *Qualitative Sociology*, and other professional journals, a member of the Board of Directors of the American Academy of Political and Social Science, and Vice President of the American Sociological Association. He was a member of the National Research Council's Panel on the Understanding and Control of Violent Behavior, which published its report in 1993. Other topics with which he concerns himself are the social psychology of organizations, field methods of social research, social interaction, and social organization. He received a B.A. degree from Indiana University, an M.A. degree from the University of Chicago, and a Ph.D. degree from Northwestern University, where he was a Ford Foundation Fellow. Professor Anderson is the past Vice President of the American Sociological Association.



Roland V. Anglin

Roland V. Anglin is executive director of the New Jersey Public Policy Research Institute (NJPPRI) located at Rutgers University in New Brunswick. Dr. Anglin served for eight years at the Ford Foundation, where he was the program officer responsible for community development. Subsequently, he became Deputy Director for Community and Resource Development, which is part of the Asset Building and Community Development Division. At Ford, Dr. Anglin supervised a number of research grants examining the determinants of organizational capacity in community-based housing organizations.

After leaving Ford, Dr. Anglin went to the Structured Employment Economic Development Corporation, a national community development intermediary. At Seedco, Dr. Anglin was the Senior Vice President responsible for building the capacity of community-based housing organizations partnering with Seedco.

On returning to the academia, Dr. Anglin has pursued a full research agenda, examining the training and capacity building needs of community-based housing organizations. Recently Dr. Anglin's edited study, *Building the Organizations that Build Communities* was published by the Department of Housing and Urban Development (<http://www.huduser.org/publications/commdev/buildOrgComms.html>). This seminal work establishes a clear need for an expansive look at categorizing and assessing existing training programs used by housing intermediaries and locally-based housing organizations. Dr. Anglin received his Ph.D from the University of Chicago.

Carl Anthony



Carl Anthony has recently been appointed Acting Director of the Community and Resource Development Unit at the Ford Foundation. At the same time, he continues to direct the Foundation's Sustainable Metropolitan Communities Initiative and the Regional Equity Demonstration Initiative. Prior to joining the Foundation he was a Convenor and Co-Chair of the Bay Area Alliance for Sustainable Development (BAASD). BAASD is a multi-stakeholder collaborative bringing together business leadership, environmental groups, social advocacy groups, labor, faith based organizations, elected and other public officials to build a consensus on how the region of 6.5 million, and over 100 jurisdictions, should grow. He was Founder and was for 12 years, Executive Director of the Urban Habitat Program. The mission of Urban Habitat is to promote multicultural urban environmental leadership for sustainable, socially just communities in the San Francisco Bay Area. With a colleague, Luke Cole at the California Rural Legal Assistance Foundation, he published and edited the *Race, Poverty and Environment Journal*, the only environmental justice periodical in the country.

From 1991 through 1997, Anthony served as President of Earth Island Institute, an international environmental organization to protect and conserve the global biosphere. Congressman Ron Dellums appointed Carl Anthony Chair and Principal Administrative Officer of the East Bay Conversion and Reinvestment Commission in 1993. The Commission was charged with overseeing a National Pilot Project to guide the closure of 500 military bases in the US, to re-envision the role of the National Laboratories, and to implement the conversion of 5 military bases in Alameda County. He has taught at the Columbia University Graduate School of Architecture and Planning, the University of California Colleges of Environmental Design and Natural Resources. He has been an Advisor to the Stanford University Law School on issues of environmental justice. Anthony has a professional degree in architecture from Columbia University. In 1996, he was appointed Fellow at the Institute of Politics, John F. Kennedy School of Government, Harvard University.

Richard Briffault



Richard Briffault is the Joseph P. Chamberlain Professor of Legislation at Columbia Law School, where he also serves as vice dean and director of the school's Legislative Drafting Research Fund. He is the author of *Balancing Acts: The Reality Behind State Balanced Budget Requirements* and of *Dollars and Democracy: A Blueprint for Campaign Finance Reform*, the report of the Commission on Campaign Finance Reform of the Association of the Bar of the City of New York; co-author of *State and Local Government Law*; and author of numerous law review articles including "Our Localism," *Columbia Law Review*; "Who Rules at Home? One Person, One Vote and Local Governments," *University of Chicago Law Review*; "The Local Government Boundary Problem in Metropolitan Areas," *Stanford Law Review*; and "A Government for Our Time? Business Improvement Districts and Urban Governance," *Columbia Law Review*.

Robert D. Bullard, Ph.D.



Robert D. Bullard is the Ware Distinguished Professor of Sociology and Director of the Environmental Justice Resource Center at Clark Atlanta University. Professor Bullard is the nation's leading authority on race and the environment and transportation equity. He has served as an expert witness and testified on dozens of civil rights and environmental justice lawsuits and hearings. He is the author of fourteen books that address environmental justice, community health, urban land use, industrial facility permitting, neighborhood reinvestment, housing, transportation, suburban sprawl, and smart growth. His book, *Dumping in Dixie: Race, Class and Environmental Quality* (Westview Press, 2000), is a standard text in the environmental justice field. A few of his other books include *Confronting Environmental Racism: Voices from the Grassroots* (South End Press, 1993), *People of Color Environmental Groups Directory 2000* (Charles Stewart Mott Foundation, Spring, 2000), and *Unequal Protection: Environmental Justice and Communities of Color* (Sierra Club Books, 1996). He co-edited with Charles Lee (Commission for Racial Justice) and J. Eugene Grigsby (UCLA) *Residential Apartheid: The American Legacy* (UCLA Center for African American Studies Publications, 1994). He also co-edited with Glenn S. Johnson (Commission for Racial Justice) and Glenn S. Johnson and Angel O. Torres *Sprawl City: Race, Politics and Planning in Atlanta* (Island Press, 2000). His most recent books are entitled *Just Sustainabilities: Development in an Unequal World* (Earthscan/MIT Press, 2003) and *Highway Robbery: Transportation Racism and New Routes to Equity* (South End Press, 2004). He is completing work on three new books entitled *The Quest for Environmental Justice: Human Rights, and the Politics of Pollution* (Sierra Club Books, forthcoming November 2005), *Racialized Place: The Black Metropolis in the Twenty-First Century* (Rowman & Littlefield, forthcoming 2005), and *Growing Smarter: Achieving Livable Communities, Environmental Justice, and Regional Equity* (MIT Press, forthcoming 2005).

Sheryll D. Cashin



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Sheryll Cashin, Professor of Law at Georgetown University, teaches Constitutional Law, Local Government Law, and Property among other subjects. She writes about race relations, government and inequality in America. Her new book, *The Failures of Integration: How Race and Class are Undermining the American Dream* (Public Affairs, 2004) received critical praise in *The New York Times Book Review* and *The Chicago Tribune* among other publications. Cashin has published widely in academic journals and written commentaries for several periodicals, including the *L.A. Times*, *Washington Post*, and *Education Week*. A frequent radio and T.V. commentator, she has appeared on *NPR All Things Considered*, *The Diane Rehm Show*, *The Tavis Smiley Show*, *The Newshour With Jim Lehrer*, *CNN*, *BET*, *ABC News*, and numerous local programs.

Professor Cashin worked in the Clinton White House as an advisor on urban and economic policy, particularly concerning community development in inner-city neighborhoods. She was law clerk to U.S. Supreme Court Justice Thurgood Marshall and Judge Abner Mikva of the U.S. Court of Appeals for the District of Columbia Circuit. She graduated *summa cum laude* from Vanderbilt University in 1984 with a bachelor's degree in electrical engineering. As a Marshall Scholar, she went on to receive a masters in English Law, with honors, from Oxford University in 1986 and a J.D., with honors, from Harvard Law School, in 1989, where she was a member of the Harvard Law Review. Cashin was born and raised in Huntsville, Alabama, where her parents were political activists.

Guy-Uriel E. Charles

Guy-Uriel E. Charles is an Associate Professor of Law at the University of Minnesota Law School and a Faculty Affiliate at the Center for the Study of Political Psychology. He received his B.A. degree in Political Science, *cum laude* from Spring Arbor University in 1992 and his J.D. from the University of Michigan Law School in 1997 where he was Editor-in-Chief of the *Michigan Journal of Race & Law*. He is also finishing a PhD in political science from the University of Michigan. He clerked for The Honorable Damon J. Keith of the United States Court of Appeals for the Sixth Circuit and has taught as an Adjunct Professor at the University of Toledo School of Law prior to joining the University of Minnesota. He is an attorney and a member of the Michigan Bar Association.

Professor Charles teaches and writes in the areas of constitutional law, civil procedure, election law, law and politics, and race. He is the Stanley V. Kinyon Teacher of the Year 2002-2003 at the University of Minnesota Law School.

He is a frequent television, print, and radio commentator on issues relating to constitutional law, election law, campaign finance, redistricting, politics, and race.

Richard Thompson Ford



Richard Thompson Ford is the George E. Osborne Professor of Law at Stanford Law School. He received an A.B. from Stanford University and a J. D from Harvard Law School. He has published in the area of local government law, constitutional law, race relations and anti discrimination law in numerous legal journals including the *Harvard Law Review* and the *Stanford Law Review* and has lectured on these topics internationally. He has published regularly in *Slate* and has written opinion pieces for the San Jose Mercury New and the San Francisco Chronicle. He is co-author of two books: *Local Government Law* and *The Legal Geographies Reader*. He is the author of *Racial Culture: a Critique*.

Angela James

Angela James is the lead organizer for Empower Hampton Roads in Virginia. Her organization includes Newport News, Hampton Roads, Norfolk, and the surrounding suburbs. Empower Hampton Roads is waging a campaign for inclusionary zoning that will expand opportunity for lower-income residents who are being priced out of the expensive suburban housing market. James is at the heart of a dynamic battle to create a regional inclusionary housing policy.

Dean Alex Johnson

On July 1, 2002, Alex M. Johnson, Jr. became the ninth Dean of the Law School. He is the third William S. Pattee Professor of Law. Previously, he served for seven years as the Vice Provost for Faculty Recruitment & Retention at the University of Virginia and eleven years as the Mary and Daniel Loughran Professor of Law at the University of Virginia School of Law. Dean Johnson's teaching areas include property, modern real estate transactions (Property II), trusts and estates, and critical race theory. He served as the Harrison Foundation Research Professor of Law from 1992-1995. Johnson's current research interests include critical race theory, examining the social construction of race and ethnicity and its impact on law and legal issues, as well as the application of relational contract theories to interests in real property.

Immediately after law school, Johnson spent two years in private practice with Latham & Watkins in Los Angeles. He then taught for two years at the University of Minnesota Law School, before returning to his law firm for another two years. Johnson has been a visiting professor at Stanford University, the University of Texas, and Washington University law schools. He has lectured widely on academic standards, critical race theory, the efficacy of the LSAT and has appeared on numerous scholarly panels that address race as it relates to legal education.

Johnson is immediate past Chair of the Board of Trustees of the Law School Admissions Council (LSAC), the non-profit corporation, owned by the ABA approved law schools, that produces and administers the LSAT, and has served as Chair of that organization as well as the LSAC's Test, Development & Research and Minority Affairs Standing Committees. Johnson served on the AALS Committee on Second Generation Diversity Issues and was also a member of the Executive Committee of the Property Law Section of the AALS. Johnson is currently a member of the ABA's Committee on Diversity and has served on ABA site inspection teams, most recently at Vanderbilt School of Law and will chair Columbia's inspection this fall. Johnson is also on the Executive Committee for the Order of the Coif and is a member of the Academic Advisory Council for the Bill of Rights Institute.

Josie Johnson

Born in 1931, Josie Robinson Johnson has played an active role in the civil rights movement since her teenage years, when she and her father canvassed her hometown of Houston to gather signatures on an anti-poll tax petition.

In the early 1960s, Johnson lobbied professionally for passage of bills concerning such issues as fair housing and employment opportunities. In 1964, she traveled from Minneapolis to Mississippi with an integrated group of women to witness and take part in the struggle there. After visiting an open-air freedom school where blacks were organizing, the group learned the school was bombed later that day. Johnson became a community organizer for Project ENABLE, a pioneering effort in developing parenting skills and strengthening family life in 1965. A member of the Minneapolis Urban League, she served as acting director between 1967 and 1968.

Johnson worked with elected officials many times over the years. In 1968, she became a legislative liaison and community liaison as a mayoral aide in Minneapolis during a time of trouble for African Americans in the town. The executive assistant to the lieutenant governor of Colorado from 1975 to 1978, Johnson went back to Texas in 1978 and supervised Judson Robinson's campaign staff. In 1980, she served as deputy campaign manager for the Jimmy Carter presidential campaign in Tennessee.

Johnson has also had an ongoing relationship with the University of Minnesota. Between 1971 and 1973, she served on the University's Board of Regents. She earned a B.A. in Sociology at Fisk University in Nashville, Tennessee, and an M.A. and Ed.D. at the University of Massachusetts-Amherst. The University of Minnesota offered her a senior fellowship in 1987. Johnson directed its All-University Forum as diversity director from 1990 to 1992. That year, she became responsible for minority affairs and diversity at the college as the associate vice president for academic affairs. The University of Minnesota established the annual Josie Robinson Johnson Human Rights and Social Justice Award in her honor.

Johnson founded Josie Robinson Johnson and Associates in 1996. She is a Minneapolis Institute of Arts trustee, a Minnesota Medical Foundation trustee and sits on the advisory board of the Harriet Tubman Center. She is a recipient of the Committed to the Vision Award from the Minneapolis Department of Civil Rights and the African American Community Endowment Fund Award.

Al Martin

Al Martin is the former head of the Detroit Department of Transportation, which is the agency in charge of the bus system in the city of Detroit. D-DOT, because of the city's declining tax base and as a result of suburban flight and depopulation, has been in a more or less permanent fiscal crisis over the years. The need for regional governance and regional funding streams is clear to those who can step back and look at the system objectively. Martin will articulate what needs to happen to generate new revenue streams for a viable transit system in the City of Detroit.

Audrey G. McFarlane



Audrey McFarlane is an Associate Professor of Law at the University of Baltimore School of Law where she teaches courses in Local Government Law, Property, Land Use and a seminar in Local Economic Development. Her scholarly writing focuses on the intersection of race and class in local government law specifically in the areas of land use and economic development. She has written innovative and thought-provoking articles on empowerment zones as a reflection of the racial geography of economic development, a critique of democratic theoretical justifications for community participation in economic development, the impact of globalization on business incentives, and the implications of racialized space for business improvement districts. Her current work is on eminent domain, regulatory takings and gentrification. Professor McFarlane has an A.B. from Harvard-Radcliffe and a J.D. from Stanford Law School where she was a member of the Stanford Law Review. She joined the University of Baltimore faculty after clerking for Hon A. Leon Higginbotham, Jr., Chief Judge of the United States Court of Appeals for the Third Circuit, serving as an associate at the Washington D.C. law firm of Wilmer Cutler and Pickering (working on corporate and securities matters as well as pro bono work on children's issues and community development) and teaching as a Visiting Professor at the Univ. of Maryland Law School, where she initiated that school's first community development clinic.

David Young Miller, PhD



David Miller currently is the Associate Dean and Professor with the Graduate School of Public and International Affairs at the University of Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania. He has served as the Director of the Office of Management and Budget for the City of Pittsburgh from 1996 through 1998.

Dr. Miller also served as Managing Director of the Pennsylvania Economy League, serving the western part of the state. He has developed fiscal recovery plans for the cities of Scranton, Clairton and Duquesne and the boroughs of Wilkinsburg and Braddock. He has also worked as Town Manager for several municipalities and as a private consultant to numerous state and local government entities.

He currently serves on the Board of Directors of the Local Government Academy and as the Advisor to the Government Finance Officers Association Budget & Finance Committee. He is also a representative from Allegheny County to the Southwestern Pennsylvania Commission (SPC), the region's metropolitan planning organization. He serves as Co-director of the Graduate Center for Public Policy and Management in Skopja, Macedonia.

Dr. Miller received his PhD in Public Policy Research and Analysis from the University of Pittsburgh. He is the author of numerous papers and articles focusing on regional governance, regional financing of urban services, and municipal fiscal distress. Professor Miller is the author of *The Regional Governing of Metropolitan America* (Boulder, CO: Westview Press, 2002). His current research pursuit is identifying how different political sub-cultures in American society shape the development of regional solutions to local problems.



Walter Mondale

Walter F. Mondale's record of public service includes Vice President of the United States, U.S. Ambassador to Japan, U.S. Senator and Attorney General for the State of Minnesota. He was also the Democratic Party's nominee for President in 1984. He is currently Senior Counsel with the law firm of Dorsey & Whitney LLP, headquartered in Minneapolis with 16 offices worldwide. He serves as chair of the firm's Asia Law Practice Group.

In March 1998, serving as President Clinton's special envoy, Mondale traveled to Indonesia to meet with then-President Suharto regarding the Asian financial crisis and economic reforms in Indonesia.

Walter Frederick ("Fritz") Mondale was born in Ceylon, Minnesota on January 5, 1928, the son of Theodore Sigvaard Mondale and Claribel Cowan Mondale. He spent his boyhood in the small towns of southern Minnesota, where he attended public schools. After he helped manage Hubert H. Humphrey's first successful U.S. Senate campaign in 1948, he earned his B.A. in political science from the University of Minnesota in 1951. After completing service as a corporal in the U.S. Army, Mondale received his LL.B. (cum laude) from the University of Minnesota Law School in 1956, having served on the law review and as a law clerk in the Minnesota Supreme Court.

Mondale practiced law for the next four years in Minneapolis. In 1960, Minnesota Governor Orville Freeman appointed him to the position of State Attorney General. Mondale was then elected to the office in 1962, and served until 1964, when Governor Karl Rolvaag asked him to fill the U.S. Senate vacancy created by Hubert Humphrey's election to the Vice Presidency. The voters of Minnesota returned Mondale to the Senate in 1966 and 1972.

During his 12 years as a Senator, Mondale served on the Finance Committee, the Labor and Public Welfare Committee, Budget Committee and the Banking, Housing and Urban Affairs Committee. He also served as the chairman of the Select Committee on Equal Education Opportunity and as the chairman of the Intelligence Committee's Domestic Task Force.

Jimmy Carter and Walter Mondale were elected President and Vice President of the United States on November 2, 1976. On the President's behalf, Mondale traveled extensively throughout the country and the world advocating U.S. policy. He was the first Vice President to have an office in the White House, and he served as a full-time participant, advisor, and troubleshooter for the Administration. During this period, Joan Mondale served as a national advocate for the arts and was Honorary Chairman of the Federal Council on the Arts and Humanities.

In 1984, Mondale was the Democratic Party's nominee for President of the United States. Following that election, Mondale practiced law, taught, studied, traveled and served as a director of both non-profit and corporate boards. He returned to his native Minnesota in 1987, where he practiced law with the firm of Dorsey & Whitney until President Clinton nominated him to be the U.S. Ambassador to Japan.

Mondale served as Ambassador to Japan from August 13, 1993, to December 15, 1996. During that period, he helped to negotiate several U.S.-Japan security agreements, including a resolution to the controversy about the U.S. military presence in Okinawa. He also helped to negotiate numerous trade agreements between the United States and Japan, and he promoted the expansion of educational exchanges between the two nations. In addition, Mondale attended the annual APEC (Asia Pacific Economic Cooperation) summit meetings in Seattle, Jakarta, Osaka, and Manila.

Since returning from Japan, Mondale has become a director of several non-profit and corporate boards. The non-profit boards include the UnitedHealth Foundation, Hubert H. Humphrey Institute of Public Affairs Advisory Board, The Mike and Maureen Mansfield Foundation, the Dean's Board of Visitors of the Medical School at the University of Minnesota and the Panasonic Foundation. His corporate board membership includes the BlackRock Financial Management.

Mondale currently serves on the executive committee of the Peace Prize Forum, an annual conference co-sponsored by the Norwegian Nobel Institute and five Midwestern colleges of Norwegian heritage. Featured speakers have included Nobel Peace Prize Laureates Norman Borlaug, Jose Ramos Horta, Oscar Arias Sanchez and Elie Wiesel — as well as former President Jimmy Carter, Dr. Yelena Bonner and author Nien Cheng.

In 1997 and 1998, Mondale served as co-chair (with former Republican Senator Nancy Kassebaum Baker) of the independent, bipartisan Campaign Finance Reform Project. This national project was supported by the Pew Charitable Trusts and staffed by The Aspen Institute in Washington, DC.

Prior to his appointment as U.S. Ambassador to Japan, Walter Mondale was a Distinguished University Fellow in Law and Public Affairs at the Hubert H. Humphrey Institute of Public Affairs, University of Minnesota. In 1990, he established the Mondale Policy Forum at the Humphrey Institute to bring together leading scholars and policymakers for conferences on domestic and international issues.

From 1986 until his appointment as Ambassador in 1993, Mondale served as chairman of the National Democratic Institute for International Affairs, a Washington, DC-based organization that conducts non-partisan international programs to help maintain and strengthen democratic institutions.

Mondale is married to the former Joan Adams. They have three children, Theodore, Eleanor Jane and William. They also have three grandchildren.

Mondale has authored the book *The Accountability of Power: Toward a Responsible Presidency* and has written numerous articles on domestic and international issues. In his free time, he enjoys fishing, reading Shakespeare and historical accounts, barbecuing, skiing and tennis.

Gary Orfield



Gary Orfield is Professor of Education and Social Policy at the Harvard Graduate School of Education. Professor Orfield is interested in the study of civil rights, education policy, urban policy, and minority opportunity. He is Co-Founder and Director of the Civil Rights Project at Harvard, an initiative that is developing and publishing a new generation of research on multiracial civil rights issues. Orfield's central interest has been the development and implementation of social policy, with a central focus on the impact of policy on equal opportunity for success in American society. Recent works include studies of changing patterns of school desegregation and the impact of diversity on the educational experiences of law students. In addition to his scholarly work, Orfield has been involved with development of governmental policy and has served as an expert witness in court cases related to his research. He has participated as an expert witness of a court-appointed expert in several dozen civil rights cases, including the University of Michigan Supreme Court case which upheld the policy of affirmative action in 2003 and has been called to give testimony in civil rights suits by the United States Department of Justice and many civil rights, legal services, and educational organizations. In 1997, Orfield was awarded the American Political Science Association's Charles Merriam Award for his "contribution to the art of government through the application of social science research." A native Minnesotan, Orfield received his Ph.D. from the University of Chicago and travels annually to Latin America, where his research work is now expanding.

Professor Orfield's principal publications include a series of reports on the national progress of desegregation during the past quarter century and the following books:

- > *Dropouts in America: Confronting the Graduation Rate Crisis* (Editor) (2004)
- > *Racial Inequity in Special Education* (with D. Losen) (2002)
- > *Diversity Challenged: Evidence on the Impact of Affirmative Action* (with M. Kurlaender) (2001)
- > *Raising Standards or Raising Barriers* (with M. Kornhaber) (1999)
- > *Religion, Race and Justice in a Changing America* (with H. Lebowitz) (1999)
- > *Chilling Admissions: The Affirmative Action Crisis and the Search for Alternatives* (with E. Miller)
- > *Dismantling Desegregation: The Quiet Repeal of Brown vs. Board of Education* (with S. Eaton) (1996)
- > *Who Chooses? Who Loses?* (with B. Fuller and R. Elmore) (1996)
- > *The Closing Door: Conservative Policies and Black Opportunity* (with C. Ashkinaze) (1991)
- > *Must We Bus? Segregated Schools and National Policy* (1978)



Myron Orfield

Myron Orfield is an Associate Professor of Law at the University of Minnesota. He is also the Director of the Institute on Race and Poverty and a non-resident senior fellow at the Brookings Institution in Washington, D.C. He is an authority on civil rights, state and local government, state and local finance, land use, questions of regional governance, and the legislative process.

Professor Orfield graduated *summa cum laude* from the University of Minnesota, was a graduate student at Princeton University, and has a J.D. from the University of Chicago, where he was a member of the law review. Following law school, Orfield clerked for the United States Court of Appeals for the 8th Circuit and then returned to the University of Chicago Law School as a Research Associate and Bradley Fellow at the Center for Studies in Criminal Justice. After working as an associate at Faegre & Benson in Minneapolis, Orfield was appointed an assistant attorney general of Minnesota in the solicitor general's division.

In 1990, Professor Orfield was elected to the Minnesota House of Representatives, where he served five terms and to the Minnesota Senate in 2000, where he served one term. There he was the architect of a series of important changes in land use, fair housing, and school and local government aid programs. His first book, *Metropolitics: A Regional Agenda for Community and Stability* (Brookings 1997), a study of local government structure and demographics, relates to these efforts. For the past ten years, Orfield has been president of a nationally respected regional research organization undertaking studies involving the legal, demographic and land use profiles of various American metropolitan areas. His second book, *American Metropolitics: The New Suburban Reality* (Brookings 2002) is a compilation of his work involving the nation's twenty-five largest regions.

Rev. Tommie Pierson

Rev. Tommie Pierson is the current president of the Bellfontaine Neighbors School Board, an elected position. He is also the president of the General Baptist Convention of Missouri, the leading Baptist judicatory organization in the state. Pierson serves as the president of Metropolitan Congregations United in St. Louis, a faith-based citizens' organization of 77 congregations. MCU draws people together across race, religion, income and geography throughout the St. Louis region. Rev. Pierson, as president of MCU and the Baptist Convention, has mobilized multiracial campaigns in order to win regional equity policies at the state legislature in the state of Missouri. He feels that the multiracial coalition was critical to his winning the election for the Bellfontaine school board. He believes such coalitions can continue to play a strong role after elections are done to work with elected officials to pass their policies.

john a. powell



Professor John A. Powell is an internationally recognized authority in the areas of civil rights, civil liberties, and issues relating to race, ethnicity, poverty and the law. He is the executive director of the Kirwan Institute for the Study of Race and Ethnicity at Ohio State University. He also holds the Williams Chair in Civil Rights and Civil Liberties at the Moritz College of Law.

He has written extensively on a number of issues including racial justice and regionalism, concentrated poverty and urban sprawl, the link between housing and school segregation, opportunity-based housing, gentrification, disparities in the criminal justice system, voting rights, affirmative action in the United States, South Africa and Brazil, racial and ethnic identity and current demographic trends.

Previously, Dr. Powell founded and directed the Institute on Race and Poverty at the University of Minnesota. He also served as the National Legal Director of the American Civil Liberties Union, where he was instrumental in developing educational adequacy theory. Prior to that, he served as the Director of Legal Services of Greater Miami.

He has worked and lived in Africa, where he was a consultant to the governments of Mozambique and South Africa. He has also lived and worked in India and done work in Europe and South America. He is one of the co-founders of the Poverty & Race Research Action Council (PRRAC) and serves on the boards of several national organizations.

Professor Powell has taught at Columbia University School of Law, Harvard Law School, University of Miami School of Law, American University, the University of San Francisco School of Law, and the University of Minnesota Law School. He joined the faculty at Ohio State in 2002.

Rip Rapson



Rip Rapson has been president of The McKnight Foundation since August 1999. Rapson is McKnight's third executive since 1975 and reports to the 10-member board, of which all but one are descendants of the founding family. The Foundation is Minnesota's largest, with assets of approximately \$2 billion. It pays out approximately \$90 million annually in grants.

Prior to joining the Foundation, Rapson was a senior fellow at the University of Minnesota's Design Center for American Urban Landscape, where he directed a multidisciplinary effort to help aging suburban communities—both locally and throughout the country—address the challenges generated by rapidly changing social, economic, and political forces.

Before joining the Design Center in 1994, Rapson served for four years as deputy mayor of Minneapolis. He was one of the primary architects of the long-term Minneapolis Neighborhood Revitalization Program, whose inaugural policy board he chaired, and the point person for a comprehensive redesign of the city's budgeting process. He came to the Mayor's office from private law practice with the Minneapolis firm Leonard Street and Deinard, where he was a partner in the litigation division.

Before his law training at Columbia University, he served for four years as a legislative assistant in the Washington office of U.S. Representative Donald Fraser, spending his final two years overseeing the development and passage of the Boundary Waters Canoe Area Wilderness Act of 1978. He is the author of two books, one a chronicle of the BWCA legislation and one a biography of his father, the architect Ralph Rapson. He is married to Gail Rapson. They have two children.

Daria Roithmayr



Professor Roithmayr is a scholar of national and international renown in the area of critical race theory. She received her B.S. degree from University of California at Los Angeles, and her J.D. *magna cum laude* from Georgetown University Law Center, where she was a member of Order of the Coif and served as Senior Notes Editor for the *Georgetown Law Journal*. After graduation she clerked for Judge Marvin J. Garbis, on the United States District Court for the District of Maryland.

Prior to joining the faculty in 1996, Professor Roithmayr twice served as special counsel for Senator Edward Kennedy on the Senate Judiciary Committee, advising him on the nominations of Justice David Souter and Justice Clarence Thomas. She worked in private practice in Washington, D.C. and Phoenix, Arizona, and served as special counsel to the Mississippi Attorney General, litigating the state's suit against tobacco companies.

Professor Roithmayr has published articles in the *California Law Review*, *Michigan Law Review*, *Virginia Law Review*, *Cardozo Law Review* and the *South African Journal of Human Rights*, among others. During the 2003-2004 academic year, Professor Roithmayr was a Visiting Professor at the University of Michigan Law School. She is currently at work on a book, "Locked In Inequality," which argues that racial inequality can become locked into institutions in much the same way that market monopolies can become locked into the market, even in the absence of continuing anticompetitive behavior.



James Edward Ryan

James Edward Ryan joined the University of Virginia School of Law faculty in 1998, after completing a two-year Gibbons Fellowship in Public Interest and Constitutional Law. He teaches constitutional law, land use law, law and education, local government law, torts, and seminars on such topics as legal scholarship, the Supreme Court, and environmental justice. His scholarship focuses primarily on law and educational opportunity, and he has authored or co-authored articles on school finance, school desegregation, school choice, school governance, the No Child Left Behind Act, and the political history of the Establishment Clause, which have appeared in the Yale, University of Michigan, Virginia, and New York University law reviews.

In 2002-03, Ryan was a visiting professor at the Yale Law School. He was named the William L. Matheson and Robert M. Morgenthau Distinguished Professor in 2004.

Ryan attended the University of Virginia Law School, during which time he served on the managing board of the *Virginia Law Review*, was a volunteer for the Legal Assistance Society's Migrant Farm Workers Project, and was a founding member of Students United to Promote Racial Awareness. His awards include the Law School Alumni Award for Academic Excellence, the Traynor Award, the Thomas Marshall Miller Prize, and the Hardy Cross Dillard Scholarship. He also was elected to the Order of the Coif, and the ODK and Raven honor societies. After graduating in 1992, Ryan clerked for the Honorable J. Clifford Wallace, Chief Judge, United States Court of Appeals for the Ninth Circuit. He then clerked for the Honorable William H. Rehnquist, Chief Justice of the United States.

Daniel R. Shulman



Dan Shulman is a member of Gray Plant Mooty's antitrust, trial practice and complex litigation areas. He has been chief counsel in antitrust litigation involving major industries in a variety of cases ranging from data storage, food, oil and gasoline, airlines, medical electronics, thoroughbred horses, optic fibres, health care, and many other areas. Shulman has also been counsel in trademark and patent infringement actions. Dan continues to author and lecture extensively.

Shulman is admitted to practice in all Minnesota state and federal courts; United States Supreme Court; United States Court of Appeals for the Federal Circuit; United States Tax Court; and United States Courts of Appeals for the First, Second, Third, Fifth, Seventh, Eighth, Ninth, Tenth and Eleventh Circuits.

Relevant Experience

- > Numerous reported antitrust decisions
- > *Pamela A. Postema v. National League of Professional Baseball Clubs, et al.*, Civil Action No. 91 -CIV-8507 (RPP), in the United States District Court for the Southern District of New York: action for employment discrimination in professional baseball umpiring.
- > *Minneapolis Branch of the NAACP, et al. v. State of Minnesota, et al.*, File No. MC 95-014800, Hennepin County District Court, Fourth Judicial District of Minnesota: action for failure to provide an adequate education in public schools as required by the Minnesota state constitution.

Publications & Presentations

- > A New Approach to Winning Complex Litigation, Executive Reports Corporation, 1983.
- > Competitors or Competition, Who Gets Protected? in Antitrust After Microsoft – Understanding the Microsoft Decision & Today's Antitrust Landscape, 2002, Business Law Institute, April 2002.
- > Baseball and Antitrust, in Antitrust, Minnesota Institute of Legal Education, May 2002.
- > Proof of Conspiracy in Antitrust Cases and the "Oligopoly Problem," in Antitrust Law & Litigation, The Sedona Conference, November 2002.

Community Involvement

- > Minneapolis Branch NAACP, General Counsel



Laura Morris Siena

Laura Morris Siena is Principal of The Integration Project, a consulting firm which offers strategies to foster and support racially and ethnically integrated communities.

From 1999 until 2004, Ms. Siena served successively as Board Member, Board Chair and Executive Director of Fund for an OPEN Society, the only national not-for-profit organization whose mission is to promote racially and ethnically integrated communities. In these positions, Ms. Siena created an extensive outreach program to a wide range of constituencies, including municipal government, smart growth, faith-based organizing, community development, fair housing, and education and public school advocates, as well as to anti-racism and inclusion practitioners. Her goal was to reintroduce racially and ethnically inclusive communities to audiences who might view them as quaint allusions to the civil rights era, rather than communities of choice all Americans might aspire to for themselves and for their children.

During her five years with Fund for an OPEN Society, Ms. Siena also planned and executed the first three national conferences of inclusive communities. In addition, Ms. Siena developed an innovative leadership development program for communities seeking to become thriving and inclusive, and managed its implementation in Pennsauken, New Jersey.

Ms. Siena's interest in racially and ethnically integrated communities is inspired by her choice to live in Mt. Airy, Philadelphia, one of the oldest and most successful intentionally integrated communities in the United States. A long-time member of the Board of West Mt. Airy Neighbors, Ms. Siena is also currently a Board Member of the Fair Housing Council of Suburban Philadelphia. She has also served on the Vestry of Grace Epiphany Episcopal Church as well as on several other boards.

Prior to her involvement with inclusive communities, Ms. Siena enjoyed a nearly-two-decade-long career in fund raising, serving as development officer in a range of organizations such as United Way, hospitals, medical schools, and universities.

Philip Tegeler



Philip Tegeler is the Executive Director of the Poverty & Race Research Action Council (PRRAC), a not-for-profit civil rights policy organization based in Washington, D.C. (see www.prrac.org). PRRAC's current focus areas include regional housing opportunity, educational equity, and developing advocacy responses to minority health disparities. PRRAC also publishes the bimonthly *Poverty & Race*, and is co-publisher of the award winning civil rights curriculum guide, *Putting the Movement Back Into Civil Rights Teaching*. Mr. Tegeler is a civil rights lawyer with more than 20 years experience in fair housing, educational equity, land use, and institutional reform litigation.

Before coming to PRRAC, he was the Legal Director at the Connecticut office of the ACLU, where he was involved in a number of school and housing desegregation cases, including *Sheff v. O'Neill* (Conn. Supreme Court, 1996) (interdistrict school desegregation claim brought under the state constitution); and *NAACP of Greater New Haven v. Milford Housing Authority* (U.S. District Court, 1997) (challenging suburban town's rejection of federal funds for scattered site public housing). Mr. Tegeler's writings on federal housing policy include "Housing Segregation and Local Discretion," 3 *Journal of Law and Policy* 209. He is a 1982 graduate of the Columbia Law School.



Kevin M. Turman, PhD

The Reverend Kevin M. Turman is the senior pastor of the Second Baptist Church of Detroit and is the president of Metropolitan Organizing Strategy Enabling Strength (MOSES). He holds an undergraduate degree from Harvard, a Master of Divinity from Yale Divinity School and a Doctor of Ministry from the United Theological Seminary in Dayton, OH. Prior to his work in Detroit, he served as pastor at Ebenezer Baptist Church in Boston, and before that he was associate pastor at Bethany Baptist Church in Brooklyn. Dr. Turman is the past president of the Michigan Progressive Baptist Convention, and is an organizer of the Annual Salute to African-American Veterans. He led a 19-person mission to build a worship chapel in Cap Haitien, Haiti in 1996.

Dr. Turman is on the Home Mission Board of the Progressive National Baptist Convention and is the president of the Metropolitan Detroit Christian Council. He is an executive board member of the Metropolitan Jail Ministry and is a former executive board member of the Detroit Urban League. He is also a captain with the United States Naval Reserve, Chaplain Corps. He served as Battalion Chaplain for the 1st Battalion, 24th Marines during Desert Storm. He holds memberships with the Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity, the NAACP, and the Baptist Ministers Council of Detroit & Vicinity.

Dr. Turman is frequently invited to deliver lectures and sermons and has done so at the Memorial Chapel at Harvard University, Andover Newton Theological Seminary, Alma College, Progressive National Baptist Convention, the Progressive National Baptist Convention, and many other locations. He wrote the book review for the Detroit Free Press of the book "Upon This Rock" by Johnny Youngblood and Samuel G. Freedman. Dr. Turman is married and has two children.

Kevin Walsh



Kevin D. Walsh is the Associate Director of Fair Share Housing Center, a non-profit legal and policy center founded in 1975 to advance and protect the *Mount Laurel* doctrine. A graduate of Rutgers School of Law in Camden, Kevin joined the Center in 2000 following a clerkship with Associate Justice Gary S. Stein of the New Jersey Supreme Court.

Under the direction of Peter J. O'Connor, Fair Share Housing Center has long been involved in litigation challenging exclusionary zoning in New Jersey, one of the most racially and economically segregated states in the nation. Appearing on behalf of the Center and the Southern Burlington and Camden County Branches of the NAACP, Walsh argued before the New Jersey Supreme Court in 2002. That appeal resulted in a unanimous decision of the Court that ultimately forced the developer of the former Garden State Racetrack to provide 285 units of affordable housing in Cherry Hill. The Court's decision curtailed the ability of developers and municipalities to pay their way out of providing affordable housing in areas of high opportunity. The litigation will result in an additional 700 units of housing in a community that would have provided no affordable housing without the Center's intervention.

In December 2004, the Center negotiated a settlement in litigation against Woolwich Township, a Gloucester County municipality that, according to recent census data, is the fastest growing municipality on the East Coast. That settlement will provide a non-profit designated by the Center with land and \$2.5 million to subsidize a 100-unit affordable housing development in a growing municipality that presently has no *Mount Laurel* housing.

The Center is a frequent litigant and *amicus curiae* in matters involving state housing law and policy. The Center is currently involved in litigation against the Council on Affordable Housing and New Jersey Housing and Mortgage Finance Agency involving those agencies' failure to promote racial and economic integration as part of Third Round of affordable housing compliance, a period extending from 2000 to 2014. In Spring 2004, the Center challenged the New Jersey Meadowlands Commission's Master Plan for its failure to include affordable housing as part of the redevelopment of the Meadowlands, a large state-controlled area close to Manhattan.

Walsh has brought several Open Public Records Act cases seeking access to state records, including two that resulted in published Appellate Division opinions. He appeared before the New Jersey Supreme Court in February 2005 in the first appeal to the reach the Court that involves fee shifting and the Open Public Records Act.

In addition to his work with the Center, Walsh is Counsel to New Jerseyans for Alternatives to the Death Penalty (NJADP). He is representing that group in litigation that has placed a moratorium on executions in New Jersey. He also works with the Pennsauken Stable Integration Governing Board, which promotes racial integration in a municipality adjoining Camden, New Jersey, and is a member of the Board of Catholic Charities of the Camden Diocese.

Heaster Wheeler



Heaster Wheeler's activism in the political, civil rights and the social justice advocacy process goes back to junior high school when he was a member of the Black Student Union. His straightforward, honest leadership style garners respect as he leaves a trail of allies from many sector of the community.

Mr. Wheeler's extraordinary passion for doing things right has taken him from the City of Detroit's Fire Department as a firefighter to a member of the Department's Community Relations Speakers' Bureau and President of the Phoenix (Detroit's Black firefighters' organization). Next, he worked as Legislative Assistant to then State Representative Carolyn Fitzpatrick, managing constituent inquiries and fundraising.

When he accepted a lobbyist position as Manager of State Government Affairs for Ameritech, he managed a legislative tracking and analyst system and co-managed the Political Action Committee with a \$450k budget and helped shape important public policy relating to telecommunications. Later, he lobbied for the Detroit Public Schools – Office of Government Relations and was responsible for monitoring House, Senate and Executive committees, tracking budget, policy issues, stakeholder management and all public education legislation.

Later, he worked in State government as Deputy Director of Communications for Curtis Hertel, the Speaker of the Michigan House of Representatives. His responsibilities included campaign planning, literature development, budget forecasting, convening public hearing sand town hall meetings, candidate recruitment and incumbent protection. He was also co-convenor of the Michigan Legislative Black Caucus Summit.

Currently, he serves as Executive Director of the Detroit Branch National Association for the Advancement of Colored People (NAACP). In the appointed position (since October 1999), he has tackled major issues including: juvenile justice, driving while black, employment discrimination, the takeover of Detroit Public Schools and voting rights voter intimidation issues.

During the 2000 elections, Mr. Wheeler served on the executive committee of "All Kids First," a Michigan campaign to defeat school vouchers. This effort resulted in a 4 to 1 victory for Detroit citizens and 2 to 1 ratio statewide. He also provides very focused leadership in collaboration with the Michigan Legislative Black Caucus and NAACP leaders from around Michigan.

Early in 2003, he was appointed by Governor Jennifer Granholm to serve on the Michigan Land Use Leadership Council and contributed to a set of recommendations impacting urban revitalization, transportation, land use and sprawl. In 2003, Mr. Wheeler helped coordinate and lead 57 buses to Washington, D.C. and the steps of the U.S. Supreme Court to demonstrate in support of Affirmative Action. He also helped organize 15,000 people in the 40th commemoration 'March Down Woodward.' This was in memory of Dr. Martin Luther King's march and 1st rendition of 'I Have A Dream' in 1963.

In 2004, Mr. Wheeler provided very focused and strategic leadership and served as one of the primary spokespersons to help defeat Proposal E in the City of Detroit and restore voting rights for the school board. The proposal was defeated by 65% to 35%.

Family is important to Mr. Wheeler, and he is married to Jennifer and has three children, Khari, Jeneva and Jeremiah. He has two grandchildren, Kaylin and Khari II. He is a member of Fellowship Chapel Church in Detroit.



Maya Wiley

Maya Wiley is the founder and Director of the Center for Social Inclusion. CSI is a national applied research and advocacy organization which works to build a fair and just society by dismantling structural racism. CSI partners with communities of color and other allies to create strategies and build policy reform models to end racial disparity and promote equal opportunity. A civil rights attorney and social justice advocate, Ms. Wiley received her law degree from Columbia University School of Law in 1989. As a litigator, she worked for the American Civil Liberties Union's National Legal Department, litigating education and race discrimination cases, and the NAACP Legal Defense & Educational Fund, Inc. on access to health care. She also worked for the United States Attorneys Office for the Southern District of New York. In addition to litigation, Ms. Wiley has attacked structural racism through policy reform efforts. She served as an advisor to the Director of US Programs at the Open Society Institute and has worked as a consultant to the Open Society Foundation – South Africa, assisting in designing and operating a criminal justice initiative. While in South Africa, Ms. Wiley spent three months working with the Legal Resources Center, facilitating constitutional litigation strategies. She has also assisted several US-based not-for-profits on program and strategy development. She currently serves on the Board of Directors of the Tides Center and formerly served as a member of the Board of Human Rights Watch.

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