

Meet Our Leadership Council Members...



Lissa Jean Ferrell – Chair

Lissa Jean Ferrell, Esq. practices exclusively in the area of real estate, providing transactional services in all areas of commercial and residential real estate development, purchases and sales. The proud mother of three lovely daughters, Lissa recognizes the importance of paying it forward and is strongly committed to the importance of education in every girl and woman's life. A speaker in various business forums, Lissa has presented on various topics including women and finance, mentoring and sponsorship, leadership, legal compliance and negotiation.



Sara Baxter-Orr

Sara Baxter-Orr is the Senior Vice President, Global Lead of Solutions & CFO Practice at Anaplan. In this role she is responsible for driving the company's market-leading capabilities to serve executives in the financial sector. Sara has over 20 years' experience as a senior finance and operations executive with an exceptional record of technology leadership and a demonstrated ability to drive growth and transformation.



Rev. Kenneth Clayton

Kenneth Darryl Ray Clayton is the Senior Pastor of St. Luke Baptist Church of Paterson, NJ since 1997. Under his leadership, St. Luke has experienced significant quantitative and qualitative spiritual, and physical growth as the Church emphasizes worship, discipleship, fellowship, outreach, and service as its primary purposes. Rev. Clayton is active within the ranks of the Baptist denomination having served in a variety of capacities within the national, state, and local levels of the Baptist family.



Joyce Dudley

Joyce Dudley is principal and founder of Dudley Hamilton Associates, Inc. (DHA), a management consulting firm that has successfully focused on and guided leaders, organizations and communities through complex change and transition in the U.S. and abroad for over 25 years. Core service areas include strategic thinking and planning; mergers/strategic alliances within and between organizations; leadership and staff coaching and development; and diversity, equity and inclusion principles and practices.



Recia Howard

Recia Howard is the Program Director at Programs for Parents, Inc.; a non-profit organization which works to ensure that children get the best possible start in life. Recia oversees the management and administration of multiple critical programs and services, including Family Child Care Department (FCC), Family Friend and Neighbor (FFN), Child Care Resource and Referral Department (CCR&R) and the Child and Adult Food Programs (CACFP).



Dr. Avery Ince

Avery Ince MD PhD is a Vice President of Medical Affairs at Johnson & Johnson. He has international business experience, having lived and worked in China for 9 years, and he both saw patients and conducted clinical research while working at Massachusetts General Hospital in the years prior to joining the pharmaceutical industry.



Eric G. Kahn

Eric G. Kahn is the Managing Shareholder of the law firm of Javerbaum Wurgaft Hicks Kahn Wikstrom and Sinins, P.C. Mr. Kahn is a certified civil trial attorney, and focuses his practice handling personal injury cases, truck accident cases, medical malpractice cases, childhood sexual abuse and neglect cases, and school bullying cases. He has held leadership positions in several State and National Trial Attorney organizations and is a frequent lecturer in his areas of expertise.



Vaughn McKoy

Vaughn McKoy is partner with Inglesino, Webster, Wyciskala, & Taylor, LLC, where he delivers general counsel and advisory services on matters including commercial litigation, regulatory issues, corporate governance and compliance, municipal law and government affairs. Leveraging his legal, government and business experiences spanning more than 25 years, Vaughn represents a wide range of public and private sector clients from diverse industries.



Tyretta Meadows

Tyretta Meadows is a business transformation leader with over 15+ years experience leading continuous improvement and strategy teams and initiatives across the financial services industry. She is also passionate about financial education, and volunteers as a personal budget coach for several organizations.



Dele Oladapo

Dele Oladapo is Vice President and Chief Information Officer for the Corporate Functions Technology organization at Prudential Financial, Inc. He oversees enterprise-wide finance, actuarial, investments, risk, human resources, legal and compliance technology and is responsible for driving technology strategy and delivering solutions to enable Prudential's businesses. Oladapo has held a variety of technology leadership positions at Prudential over the past 20 years.



Regine Clarke Rodriguez

Regine Clarke Rodriguez is a Senior Philanthropic Officer at Bank of America with 20+ years of experience working on the administration of Planned Giving and Endowments for non-profit institutional clients. Regine is also chair of BOA's Black Professional Group New Jersey.



Everton Scott

Everton Scott is a Senior Regional Public Affairs Manager at PSE&G. In this role he functions as the link between PSE&G electric and gas operating divisions and other E&G departments, Enterprise lines of business, and various external stakeholders and policy groups to foster a productive PSE&G business environment, resolve service issues and enhance the Company's image within the service territory and the state.



Tammeisha Smith

Tammeisha Smith is Owner & C.E.O. of Dunbar Center, Inc., a community health and wellness center focused on providing access to quality healthcare and reducing health disparities in urban communities. Most of her professional career has focused on the insurance industry, managing health benefit programs and risk management services for large employer groups.