BLACK ALUMNI SUMMIT
OCTOBER 23-25, 2015
GEORGETOWN UNIVERSITY
Dear Fellow Hoyas, Family and Friends,

It is our honor and privilege to welcome you to the inaugural Georgetown University Black Alumni Summit. Just over two years ago, the Summit was but an acorn in our mind’s eye. We are overwhelmed to see how it has grown into a majestic oak with roots buried deep on The Hilltop and branches spread wide across classes, schools, eras, geographies, professions and walks of life.

It is hard to believe this day has finally arrived. We are excited to be a part of a gathering of such wonderful and accomplished Hoyas. This year’s theme, “Re-engage—Reconnect—Recommit,” is an embodiment not only of the spirit in which this momentous occasion was conceived, but also the way in which the planning and outreach committees approached the production of the Summit. As a convening planned by and for the Black undergraduate alumni of Georgetown University, we endeavor to accentuate the professional and life experiences of our diverse and accomplished Black alumni. Our mission is for the Summit to serve as a vessel through which we will channel the enormous energy and capabilities of Black alumni toward a heightened level of community and university stewardship. It is our sincerest hope that when you depart on Sunday afternoon, you leave with your minds enriched by the programming, your souls full with the spirit of Georgetown and your hearts aflutter with anticipation for the next time we are together.

An event like this truly takes a village and we would be remiss if we didn’t thank those who have been integral to the realization of this significant and groundbreaking event for the Georgetown University community. Thank you President DeGioia, Dean Thomas, the Office of Advancement, the Georgetown University Alumni Association and countless others that offered unwavering support for this first-of-its kind gathering on campus. Thank you to the speakers, some of whom have traveled from great distances, for adding your voices in order to make this an exceptional event. And finally, an enormous THANK YOU to the planning committee whose tireless efforts and ownership of their roles has been crucial to the summit’s success.

We welcome you to the Black Alumni Summit and thank you for joining us at this phenomenal event. We hope you enjoy the program we have put on for you. More importantly, we hope you enjoy this opportunity for laughter, discussion and fellowship on The Hilltop.

Hoya Saxa!!

Tammee Thompson and Eric Woods
Co-Chairs, the Inaugural Georgetown University Black Alumni Summit
FRIDAY

NOON – 1:30 P.M.
WELCOME AND KEYNOTE LUNCHEON
COPLEY LAWN TENT
John J. DeGioia, President, Georgetown University
and Kaya Henderson (F’92, EML’07)

1:30 – 2 P.M.
BREAK

2 – 3:15 P.M.
LEADERSHIP PANEL
LOHRFINK AUDITORIUM, HARIRI
Moderated by Tracy Carmen Jones (B’85),
President, The Waterlight Group
Hoyas are working in nonprofits, philanthropy, big busi-
ness and small business. This panel aims to engage promi-
nent leaders from a variety of sectors in a conversation
on leadership.
Join the conversation and hear the panelists give their
take on specific leadership skills they use to drive results,
leadership approaches that work well, pitfalls to avoid, and
challenges that exist in translating vision into reality. This
session includes interactive Q&A, giving you the oppor-
tunity to further explore the panelists’ views on leadership.
Panelists
Alton Adams (C’78)
Stacy D. Stewart (C’85)
Shawn Lytle (B’92)
Kodwo Mills (C’91)

3:15 – 3:30 P.M.
BREAK

3:30 – 5 P.M.
The BLACK EXPERIENCE ON THE HILLTOP
LOHRFINK AUDITORIUM, HARIRI
Moderated by Charlene Brown-McKenzie (C’95),
Director, Georgetown University Center for Multicul-
tural Equity and Access
Current staff, faculty and student leaders, as well as alumni,
will share their experiences, discuss the current state of the
community at Georgetown and answer alumni questions.
Panelists
Dr. Robert Patterson (C’02)
Olivia Holmes (C’06)
Micheal Martin (C’79)
Oyetola Oyeyemi (F’16)

5 – 5:30 P.M.
BREAK

5:30 – 6:30 P.M.
LEANING ON THE BLUE & GRAY SHIELD—
LINKEDIN 2.0
HARIRI TENT
The old adage, “It’s not what you know, but who you know,”
has never been more true than in today’s competitive and
challenging economy. While connecting with people via social
media is a good networking strategy, nothing beats per-
son-to-person contact.
The goal of these industry-focused networking sessions is
to help build communities where you can feel comfortable
sharing your dreams and need for assistance, and be inspired
even enough to be of service to your fellow alumni. Whether you
are new to your field, hoping to change careers, or an industry
titan, come prepared with your elevator pitch, business card
and a willingness to leverage the collective strength of the
Hoya network.

6:30 – 8:30 P.M.
NETWORKING COCKTAIL RECEPTION
WITH BLACK STUDENTS, ALUMNI, FACULTY
AND STAFF
HARIRI TENT

SATURDAY

8 – 9:45 A.M.
KEYNOTE BREAKFAST
HARIRI TENT
Congresswoman Stacey Plaskett (F’88),
United States Virgin Islands, United States House
of Representatives
UNIVERSITY ENGAGEMENT PANEL
LOHRFINK AUDITORIUM, HARIRI
Moderated by Melody Rollins (F’93), E.V.P. for U.S. Institutional Client Management, Pacific Investment Management Company

As the percentage of Black alumni grows, it is increasingly important that the membership of university governing boards and advisory councils reflect the diversity of the alumni body. How can we ensure that members of our community are informed and well-positioned to assume these positions of influence that shape the direction of the university?

This panel will discuss how engagement, participation and giving factor into alumni leadership, legacy admission and a greater voice in university affairs.

Panelists
Damein Dwin (B’97)
Mannone Butler (B’94, L’99)
George Williams (B’99)
Michelle Thompson (C’89)

BREAK

EDUCATION PANEL
LOHRFINK AUDITORIUM, HARIRI
Moderated by Ky Adderley (C’98, S’01), Founder and President, The Adderley Group

What changes are needed at the national and local levels to bring about educational equity? How can parents effectively advocate for their children at school? What can we do, collectively, to support greater outcomes for Black students?

This panel will explore the unique challenges Black students face in pursuing their education at all levels and will discuss pragmatic policy—and personal strategies—for ensuring educational success.

Panelists
Tim King (F’89, L’93)
Kaya Henderson (F’09, EML’07)
Carmen Twille-Ambar (F’09)
Jane Martinez Dowling (C’09)

Hollywood’s New Love Affair with Black Americans

LOHRFINK AUDITORIUM, HARIRI
Moderated by Gordon Bobb (C’93), Partner, Del Shaw Moonves Tanaka Finkelstein & Lezcano

Since its premier last season, Empire has experienced unprecedented network television success, yet it goes head-to-head with Black-ish, last season’s hit sitcom. In other news, Shonda Rhimes owns Thursday nights and our history was finally told in Selma by our own Ava Duvernay.

But not everyone is pleased with every character or story that is being told. Should the collective “we” expect more from the few opportunities we get to create and star in depictions of our stories? Should we instead celebrate the mere existence of more of “us” on television and on the big screen? Is there room for characters like Dr. Bailey, Rainbow AND Cookie? When we may only get one character on a show or one opportunity to bring something new to the screen, do we have a greater responsibility to choose a character that fights a stereotype rather than perpetuates it?

Join us as we explore the past and current images of Black America in television and motion pictures, and debate whether the increased opportunities we are now experiencing are all a “success.”

Panelists
Malcolm Lee (C’92)
Obehi Janice (F’09)
C. Eddie Hill (B’87)
Monique Jones (B’87)

SPORTS PANEL
LOHRFINK AUDITORIUM, HARIRI
Moderated by Terri Jackson (C’89, L’92), Director of Law, Policy and Governance, National Collegiate Athletic Association

Former Georgetown athletes will discuss the role Georgetown athletics played in their lives and careers beyond the Hilltop.

Panelists
Joe Pierce (B’93)
DeWayne Louis (B’01)
Kenint Mawukana (C’90, L’94, L’96)
Nana Apenem Dugadu (C’07)
Omar Fadler (C’04)
Buky Bamigboye (C’09)

CLOSING DINNER AND REMARKS
COPELY LAWN TENT
Alumni Spotlight: Valerie Lancaster Beal (C’76)
Keynote: Kevin Warren (B’84), President, Industrial, Retail and Hospitality Business Group, Xerox Services

GOSPEL SERVICE
PROTESTANT CHAPEL, COPLEY HALL
Barry K. Hargrove (C’88), Pastor, Prince of Peace Baptist Church of Baltimore and Georgetown University Gospel Choir
Rev. Barry K. Hargrove (C’88)
Rev. Marlene Q. Underwood (I’86)
KimParis Gunter Upshaw (B’88)
Kaya Henderson (F’92, EML’07)

Kaya Henderson has served as chancellor of D.C. Public Schools (DCPS) since Nov. 2010. Under her leadership, DCPS has become the fastest-improving urban school district in the country. She championed the launch and expansion of a range of innovative programs, including blended learning, the Schoolwide Enrichment Model and Extended Day.

Henderson joined DCPS in 2007 as deputy chancellor responsible for overseeing the Office of Human Capital. Prior to joining DCPS, she was a partner at The New Teacher Project (TNTP) to help urban school districts recruit and retain effective teachers. Previous to her work at TNTP, she was executive director of Teach For America-D.C. and national admissions director and recruiter at Teach For America. Henderson began her career in education as a middle school Spanish teacher in the South Bronx.

She earned her bachelor’s in international relations and a master’s in leadership from Georgetown University. Henderson earned her bachelor’s in international relations and a master’s in leadership from Georgetown University. She earned her bachelor’s in international relations and a master’s in leadership from Georgetown University. She earned her bachelor’s in international relations and a master’s in leadership from Georgetown University. She earned her bachelor’s in international relations and a master’s in leadership from Georgetown University. She earned her bachelor’s in international relations and a master’s in leadership from Georgetown University. She earned her bachelor’s in international relations and a master’s in leadership from Georgetown University. She earned her bachelor’s in international relations and a master’s in leadership from Georgetown University. She earned her bachelor’s in international relations and a master’s in leadership from Georgetown University. She earned her bachelor’s in international relations and a master’s in leadership from Georgetown University. She earned her bachelor’s in international relations and a master’s in leadership from Georgetown University. She earned her bachelor’s in international relations and a master’s in leadership from Georgetown University. She earned her bachelor’s in international relations and a master’s in leadership from Georgetown University. She earned her bachelor’s in international relations and a master’s in leadership from Georgetown University. She earned her bachelor’s in international relations and a master’s in leadership from Georgetown University. She earned her bachelor’s in international relations and a master’s in leadership from Georgetown University. She earned her bachelor’s in international relations and a master’s in leadership from Georgetown University. She earned her bachelor’s in international relations and a master’s in leadership from Georgetown University. She earned her bachelor’s in international relations and a master’s in leadership from Georgetown University. She earned her bachelor’s in international relations and a master’s in leadership from Georgetown University. She earned her bachelor’s in international relations and a master’s in leadership from Georgetown University. She earned her bachelor’s in international relations and a master’s in leadership from Georgetown University. She earned her bachelor’s in international relations and a master’s in leadership from Georgetown University. She earned her bachelor’s in international relations and a master’s in leadership from Georgetown University. She earned her bachelor’s in international relations and a master’s in leadership from Georgetown University. She earned her bachelor’s in international relations and a master’s in leadership from Georgetown University. She earned her bachelor’s in international relations and a master’s in leadership from Georgetown University. She earned her bachelor’s in international relations and a master’s in leadership from Georgetown University. She earned her bachelor’s in international relations and a master’s in leadership from Georgetown University. She earned her bachelor’s in international relations and a master’s in leadership from Georgetown University. Stacey Plaskett (F’88)

Congresswoman Stacey Plaskett represents the at-large district of the U.S. Virgin Islands in the United States House of Representatives.

Plaskett received her undergraduate degree from Georgetown University and attended law school at night while she worked full time during the day with the lobbying arm of the American Medical Association and then with the law firm Jones Day. After law school, she worked as an assistant district attorney in the Bronx, New York.

Following a move to Washington, D.C., Plaskett worked as counsel on the U.S. House of Representatives’ Ethics Committee. Her career then shifted to the Department of Justice, where she focused on an initiative to increase the number of minority and women attorneys at the Justice Department. She served on the Terrorism Litigation Task Force and the September 11th Victims’ Compensation Fund. She was also one of the lead attorneys on U.S. v. Phillip Morris.

She then relocated full time to her ancestral home of the U.S. Virgin Islands and worked in the private sector and then with the Virgin Islands Economic Development Authority. While there, she worked on tax incentive programs and public private partnerships as a means to bring economic growth to the development of the territory.

Kevin Warren (B’84)

Kevin M. Warren is president of the Industrial, Retail and Hospitality Business Group for Xerox Services. He was named to this position in Sept. 2014, having joined the corporation in 1994 as a sales trainee and moving into increasingly responsible positions, including president of United States Client Operations, where he was responsible for revenue, profit and operations for all Xerox business in large enterprises nationwide.

Warren received his B.S. in finance from Georgetown University and he is an alumnus of the Harvard Business School, having completed the Advanced Management Program.

He serves as a director of Illinois Tool Works (ITW), Georgetown University, Community Anti-Drug Coalitions of America (CADCA) and the Rochester Business Alliance. In addition, he is a current member of the Executive Leadership Council (ELC).

Warren has been named one of the Top 100 Most Influential Black Executives in Corporate America by Savoy and one of the 75 Most Powerful Executives in America by Black Enterprise. In 2013, he was honored with humanitarian awards from both the Young Presidents’ Organization and CADCA for his work in mentoring at-risk youth.

Valerie Lancaster Beal (C’76)

Valerie Lancaster Beal is the founder of VLB Associates, a management consulting firm that provides interim and outsourced chief financial and chief administrative officer services to emerging businesses and non-profit organizations. She is also a board member for Sierra Income Corporation, a closed-end management investment company.

In addition to serving as a visiting lecturer at several high schools and colleges, Lancaster Beal is active in civic and community organizations, with a primary focus on financial management, program evaluation and public education. She is passionate about advancing the mission of high-quality educational institutions and increasing access to such institutions for historically underrepresented groups.

She is a past member of the Georgetown University Board of Regents and currently serves as a Trustee of the City University of New York (CUNY). At CUNY, she co-chaired the Chancellor’s Initiative on the Black Male in order to examine the status of Black males in our society and ways of using education to improve the outcomes.

She is a past president of the Metro-Manhattan Chapter of the Links, Inc., one of the largest volunteer service organizations of women. She is also a board member for KIPP NYC, a network of free, open-enrollment public charter schools.

Lancaster Beal holds a B.A. from Georgetown University and an MBA from the Wharton School of the University of Pennsylvania.
LEADERSHIP PANEL

MODERATOR

Tracey Carmen Jones (B’85)

Tracey Carmen-Jones is the founder and president of the WaterLight Group, a leadership coaching and management consulting firm founded on the idea that individuals and organizations can consistently reach higher levels of performance by developing future-oriented strategies, cultivating skills and sharpening interpersonal behaviors. Consulting engagements include line-of-business strategy creation, process reengineering, strategic marketing plan development, change management and team effectiveness building.

Carmen-Jones is also a leadership coach and an adjunct faculty member at Georgetown University. On the coaching front, she provides individual- and team-based coaching to high-potential leaders, seasoned professionals and C-suite individuals and teams. Her approach leverages a blend of best-in-class coaching methodologies, organizational change insights and business acumen to generate high-impact, sustainable results. Carmen-Jones is the creative spark behind WaterLight Group’s PITstop program, a series of experiential workshops designed to facilitate self-awareness and stimulate participants to move towards committed goals.

She earned bachelor’s degree from Georgetown before continuing on to earn an MBA from the Kellogg Graduate School of Management at Northwestern University. Carmen-Jones also earned an Executive Certificate in Leadership Coaching from the Georgetown Institute for Transformational Leadership.

PANELISTS

Alton Adams (C’78)

Alton Adams is the consumer insights lead partner for the Customer and Operations Group within KPMG’s Advisory Consulting Practice. He is KPMG’s global lead partner for The Coca-Cola Company, advisory lead partner for Procter and Gamble, and the management consulting lead partner for Wal-Mart/Sam’s Club.

Adams is the co-lead of diversity for KPMG Advisory and the advisory partner for Howard University. He is also the leader of KPMG’s Consumer Insights initiatives in conjunction with Georgetown University.

He has more than 20 years of management and consulting experience specializing in the use of data, analytics and technology to help companies accelerate organic growth. His experience includes building and leading practices focused on the customer agenda.

Adams has served on numerous not-for-profit boards including Jobs For Youth Boston, the Georgetown University Board of Regents, chairman of Georgetown University’s African American Advisory Board and board vice chairman of TechBridge Atlanta. He currently serves on the board of the Atlanta chapter of the Boy Scouts of America and on its executive committee as the vice president of marketing, and on the board of the Woodruff Center High Museum of Art. He has a B.A. in Economics from Georgetown University and an MBA in Marketing/Finance from the Wharton School at the University of Pennsylvania.

Shawn Lytle (C’78)

Shawn Lytle was named president of Delaware Management Holdings, Inc. (Delaware Investments) in June 2015, and is responsible for all aspects of the firm’s business. Lytle oversees more than $80 billion in assets under management (as of March 31, 2015) across several distinct investment teams that span all major asset classes and provide investment solutions for a wide variety of individual and institutional clients.

Prior to joining the firm, he was regional head of the Americas at UBS Global Asset Management for five years, based in Chicago and New York. Before that, Lytle worked in London for UBS in various roles within the equity group, including deputy global head of equities. Prior to joining UBS in 2002 as a global equities portfolio manager, he worked at JPMorgan Asset Management for 10 years in a variety of roles in London and New York, including global equities client portfolio manager and U.S. mutual fund sales.

He earned a bachelor’s degree in marketing from The McDonough School of Business at Georgetown University. Lytle serves as chair elect on the board of directors of the National Association of Securities Professionals (NASP), and he is on the board of directors of the Sustainability Accounting Standards Board (SASB).

Kodwo “Kojo” Mills (C’91)

Kojo Mills is the founder and CEO of Invictus Africa Group, an investment company that partners financial and strategic investors seeking opportunities in sub-Saharan Africa.

Mills has been extensively involved in sourcing, structuring, implementing and monitoring various private equity investments in African markets and has over fifteen years of investment experience. He is the former acting CEO and a co-founder of Shanduka Group, a South African investment company that has a multi-industry portfolio of 30+ investments valued in excess of $2 billion. He was also previously the managing director of Shanduka’s R300 million private equity fund, Shanduka Value Partners Fund I. He also worked for the investment banking division of Donaldson, Lufkin & Jenrette Inc. (or DLJ, now Credit Suisse First Boston) and was seconded to African Merchant Bank Limited as DLJ’s representative.

Prior to joining DLJ he was a financial analyst at the investment banking division of Donaldson, Lufkin & Jenrette Inc. (or DLJ, now Credit Suisse First Boston) and was seconded to African Merchant Bank Limited as DLJ’s representative.

Mills is currently a director of numerous companies including Invictus Africa Group and Stanbic Bank Ghana, the Ghanaian subsidiary of the Standard Bank Group of South Africa.

He has an economics degree from Georgetown University and an MBA from Harvard Business School.

Stacey Stewart (B’85)

Stacey Stewart, U.S. president of United Way Worldwide, is responsible for leading the U.S network of nearly 1,400 local and state United Ways to create opportunities for a better life for all. She leads multiple teams responsible for creating change in education, financial stability and health. Under her leadership, the U.S. Network engages thousands of local partners, over 11 million individual donors and volunteers, and raises over $3 billion dollars each year to rally around initiatives in these vital areas.

Prior to joining United Way Worldwide, Stewart held several positions at Fannie Mae and the Fannie Mae Foundation. As president and CEO of the Fannie Mae Foundation, she directed approximately one billion dollars in total giving dedicated to affordable housing and community development. She also managed all corporate diversity efforts and corporate giving programs.

Stewart has an MBA in finance from the University of Michigan and a B.A. in economics from Georgetown University. She also holds honorary degrees from Trinity Washington University, Morgan State University, Texas Southern University, Lincoln University, and Alabama A&M University.
Michael Martin is a junior in the College from beautiful and sunny Los Angeles, Ca. In addition to majoring in computer science, he is a fellow in the Patrick Healy Fellowship program.

In his free time, Martin is an executive board member for the Black Student Alliance (BSA), serving as treasurer, and a coordinator for the After School Kids Program (ASK), which works with adjudicated youth in Washington, D.C.

And last, but definitely not least, starting this year he will be living in the URBAN House on Magis Row.

Michael Martin (C’17)

She has served and has served on multiple national advisory councils and boards, including the U.S. Board of
United Way, the Alumni Board of Governors for the Stephen M. Ross School of Business at the University of
Michigan, the Board of Directors for the Girl Scouts Nation's Capital, and the Board of Trustees for Penny-
Mac Mortgage Investment Trust.

Melody Rollins is an executive vice president and head of U.S. institutional client management for Pacific
Investment Management Company LLC (PIMCO), a global investment management firm with $1.16
trillion in assets under management. She is also member of PIMCO’s Inclusion, Diversity & Culture
Committee and on the board of the PIMCO Foundation. Prior to joining PIMCO in 2001, Rollins held
positions in debt capital markets and liability management at Salomon Brothers and Deutsche Bank.

She received her undergraduate degree in economics from Georgetown and her MBA from MIT Sloan
School of Management. Rollins holds both the Chartered Financial Analyst and Chartered Alternative
Investment Analyst designations.

Outside of work, Rollins is very active in the community, focusing on organizations and programs that
are eliminating educational and health disparities in underserved communities. She currently serves on
the Board of Regents of Georgetown University as well as the Boards of Trustees of New York Academy of
Medicine, Coro New York and Neighborhood Defender's Service of Harlem. Rollins is active in the
Sponsors for Educational Opportunity (SEO), the Toigo Foundation and the Council of Urban Profes-
sionals (founding member). She previously served on the board of Future Leaders Institute Charter
School.

Melody Rollins (F’93)

Oyeyemi (Tola) Oyeyemi, a SFS senior from New Castle, Del., is majoring in international economics with
a concentration in development, while earning a certificate in African studies.

In her free time, she serves as the vice president of Georgetown’s Minority Pre-Law Association. She also
served on the board of the African Society of Georgetown and mentored incoming GSP freshmen.

Since her freshman year, Oyeyemi has worked for the DC Reads program and will be working as a coordi-
inator for her third year.

She spent the summer after her sophomore year abroad in Dar es Salaam, Tanzania. She also enjoys
dancing, drawing and hairstyling.

Oyetola Oyeyemi (F’16)

Robert Patterson is an associate professor of English and African American Studies, and director of the
African American Studies Program at Georgetown University. His book, Exodus Politics: Civil Rights and
Leadership African American Literature and Culture, argues that African American literature written after
the civil rights movement challenges society’s tendencies to think of civil rights solely in terms of race, to
dress Black male leadership as necessary for civil rights attainment, and to contain the scope of the civil
rights movement to the fifteen year period between 1955-1968.

In addition to his book, Dr. Patterson has published articles on W.E.B. Du Bois, Toni Morrison, African
American Women’s Writing, and Tyler Perry’s films. He graduated from Georgetown College, and holds a
Ph.D. in African American Literary and Cultural Studies from Emory University.

Dr. Robert Patterson (C’02)

Justice Brown-McKenzie has developed and led numerous students and staff to Latin America and Africa.

In 2004, she became executive director of the Institute for College Preparation (ICP) and since 2007 has also
been associate director of CMEA, sharing in all key decisions about the center’s programs. She now assumes
full responsibility for day-to-day operations of the center. And as an alumna, she also has a keen interest in ex-
panding CMEA’s connections with generations of Hoyas. In addition to focusing on the access and success of
our students in post-secondary and graduate education, her goal is to foster their growth as responsible world
citizens. Brown-McKenzie has developed and led numerous students and staff to Latin America and Africa.

Charlene Brown-McKenzie (C’95)

Olivia Holmes, a senior in the College, is studying government with minors in Spanish and African
American Studies. Originally from Upper Marlboro, Md., she enjoys making connections with young students
of color that are transitioning into the college environment.

Holmes is currently the resident director of the Black House and a member of the Georgetown Black Lead-
ership Forum. She has also served as the hosting coordinator for Hoya Sana Weekend 2014, a mentor for the
After School Kids (ASK) Program and a choreographer for the CCC’s Passa Passa Showcase.

When not she’s in the library or at work, you can find her spending time with friends, binge-watching Empire
and working on new choreography. In her final year at Georgetown, Holmes looks forward to memorizing
Kendrick Lamar’s “To Pimp a Butterfly” and fostering a greater sense of community.

Olivia Holmes (C’16)

Robert Rollins is senior analyst in the credit division of Mac Mortgage Investment Trust.

He is responsible for the execution of long-term and short-term deals in the mortgage capital markets and
analyzing and developing the mortgage-backed market and rate environment.

In his free time, Rollins is a member of the Howard University Model United Nations Committee and
serves on the board of the African American Society.

Rollins has served as an intern at Goldman Sachs and in the credit division for JP Morgan Chase.

He received his Bachelor of Arts in economics and mathematics from Cambridge University and his M.B.
A.G. from the University of Bergamo.

Robert Rollins (F’11)

Melody Rollins is an executive vice president and head of U.S. institutional client management for Pacific
Investment Management Company LLC (PIMCO), a global investment management firm with $1.16
trillion in assets under management. She is also member of PIMCO’s Inclusion, Diversity & Culture
Committee and on the board of the PIMCO Foundation. Prior to joining PIMCO in 2001, Rollins held
positions in debt capital markets and liability management at Salomon Brothers and Deutsche Bank.

She received her undergraduate degree in economics from Georgetown and her MBA from MIT Sloan
School of Management. Rollins holds both the Chartered Financial Analyst and Chartered Alternative
Investment Analyst designations.

Outside of work, Rollins is very active in the community, focusing on organizations and programs that
are eliminating educational and health disparities in underserved communities. She currently serves on
the Board of Regents of Georgetown University as well as the Boards of Trustees of New York Academy of
Medicine, Coro New York and Neighborhood Defender's Service of Harlem. Rollins is active in the
Sponsors for Educational Opportunity (SEO), the Toigo Foundation and the Council of Urban Profes-
sionals (founding member). She previously served on the board of Future Leaders Institute Charter
School.

Melody Rollins (F’93)
Panelists

Mannone A. Butler, Esq. (B’94, L’99)
Mannone A. Butler has been the executive director of the District of Columbia Criminal Justice Coordinating Council (CJCC) since 2011. The CJCC is an independent District agency that serves as a forum for identifying issues and their solutions, proposing actions and facilitating cooperation to improve public safety in the District of Columbia for its residents, visitors, victims and offenders.

She is responsible for bringing together local, federal, legislative, executive and judicial leaders to develop comprehensive strategies to address criminal and juvenile justice issues facing the District of Columbia. Butler oversees the District's integrated justice information system, JUSTIS, and the District's Statistical Analysis Center. Prior to joining the CJCC, Butler practiced law with the Law Offices of Curtis T. White, PC, and served as director of program operations for the Urban Family Institute where she managed all of the organization's programmatic efforts; streamlined its models, policies and strategies to create sustainable community-based initiatives; and developed the Bridge, a program for incarcerated fathers to engage and stay connected with their children.

Butler earned her B.S. in finance from Georgetown University and J.D. from Georgetown University Law Center. After law school, Butler served as a Law Fellow for Georgetown University Law Center’s Street Law Clinic.

Damien R. Dwin (B’97)
Damien Dwin is the co-founder of Brightwood Capital Advisors, LLC, a New York-based asset management firm dedicated to investing in growing, middle-market U.S. businesses. Prior to Brightwood, he co-founded and headed the North American Special Opportunities Group at Credit Suisse where he and his team built-out and invested capital for internally sourced private equity and debt deals. In addition, Dwin ran the Fixed Income Division Credit Training Program at Credit Suisse and served on the VP Selection Committee.

He graduated from the Georgetown McDonough School of Business undergraduate program in 1997. He began his career as a trader at Goldman Sachs, holding fixed income, currency and commodities positions. In 2002, Damien was honored with the Michael P. Mortara Award of Innovation for his work in developing a market to finance and short-sell bank loans. In 2004, Damien co-founded and headed the North American Special Opportunities Group at Credit Suisse where he and his team built-out and invested capital for internally sourced private equity and debt deals. In addition, Dwin ran the Fixed Income Division Credit Training Program at Credit Suisse and served on the VP Selection Committee.

Dwin is one of the founders of the Patrick Healy Fellowship, a Georgetown organization dedicated to pursuing the Jesuit ideals of diversity and community service. He previously served on Georgetown University’s Board of Regents and currently serves on the Campaign Executive Council. In addition to his Georgetown efforts, Dwin is a Trustee of the Boys’ Club of New York.

Michelle Lynn Thompson (C’89)
Michelle Thompson currently serves as a consumer specialist with Fairfax County’s Consumer Affairs Branch, conducting consumer education outreach events.

Thompson graduated from the College in 1989 with a B.A. in government. In Sept. 2008, she began volunteering as Alumni Admissions Program (AAP) interviewer. In 2011, she was introduced to the Georgetown Scholarship Program (GSP) and has been increasingly engaged with the students and programming activities. She currently serves as the GSP chair for her AAP 210 Committee. In that capacity, she keeps other committee members informed about the program’s activities and seeks out ways for alumni to connect with the GSP students as personal and professional mentors.

George Williams (B’99)
George Williams has served as the media relations manager for the District of Columbia Public Library since 2000. He was recruited to help communicate the work being done to make the library one of the fastest-improving urban systems in the country. In that role, he has managed media for 17 completed and three ongoing construction projects worth more than $500 million. Williams also prepares staff and Library Board of Trustee members for media interviews as well as advises the executive director on how decisions could impact the public’s opinion of the library.

Before joining D.C. Public Library, Williams developed sports, pharmaceutical and consumer branding public relations campaigns for clients in the U.S. and Canada.

From 2007 to 2013, Williams served as the chair of the Georgetown University African-American Alumni Advisory Board. He also served on the university’s Alumni Board of Governors and currently serves on the Alumni Senate. Williams holds a bachelor’s degree in management from the Georgetown McDonough School of Business and a J.D. from Howard University.

Education

Ky Adderley (C’98, S’01)
A Teach for America alumnus who was named 2002 Outstanding New Teacher of the Year, Ky Adderley was recruited into the KIPP Schools Leadership Program in 2004 as a Fisher Fellow and tasked with the mission to create his own school. In July 2005, he founded KIPP AMP Academy, a successful charter school in Brooklyn, N.Y., and served as principal until 2011.

In 2011, he formed The Adderley Group to provide world-class expertise in education leadership training and school reform. His current focus is designing and implementing unique learning models in Brazil. He consulted for the opening of the groundbreaking Olympic-development public schools, where students enjoy a substantive mix of both academics and Olympic sport practice in a nine-hour school day. He also consults for education organizations in South Africa, including EdVillage, an organization working to increase the number of quality schools available to low-income children worldwide.

An All-American athlete in high school and college, Adderley earned both bachelor and master’s degrees from Georgetown University where he also excelled at track and field. He is working towards his doctorate in educational leadership from National Louis University.
Kaya Henderson (F’92, EML’07)

Kaya Henderson has served as chancellor of D.C. Public Schools (DCPS) since Nov. 2010. Under her leadership, DCPS has become the fastest-improving urban school district in the country. She championed the launch and expansion of a range of innovative programs, including blended learning, the Schoolwide Enrichment Model and Extended Day.

Henderson joined DCPS in 2007 as deputy chancellor responsible for overseeing the Office of Human Capital. Prior to joining DCPS, she was a partner at The New Teacher Project (TNTP) to help urban school districts recruit and retain effective teachers. Previous to her work at TNTP, she was executive director of Teach For America-D.C. and national admissions director and recruiter at Teach For America.

Henderson began her career in education as a middle school Spanish teacher in the South Bronx.

She earned her bachelor’s in international relations and master’s in leadership from Georgetown University.

Henderson serves on the Board of Directors for Georgetown University and on the Board of Trustees for The College Board, The John F. Kennedy Center for the Performing Arts and Student Achievement Partners. She also serves as the Executive Committee of the Council of Great City Schools, Pahara Aspen Fellowship, Nevada Leadership Institute and Raise DC.

Tim King (F’89, L’93, Parent’03)

Tim King is founder, president and CEO of Urban Prep Academies, a nonprofit organization operating a network of public college-prep boys’ schools in Chicago (including the nation’s first all-male charter high school) and related programs aimed at promoting college success. One hundred percent of Urban Prep graduates—all African-American males and mostly from low-income families—have been admitted to four-year colleges/universities.

King also serves as an adjunct lecturer at Northwestern University and has published extensively. In 2014, he was honored at the BET Awards as a recipient of the “Shine A Light” award for his work with Urban Prep Academies and has also been named “Person of the Week” by ABC World News, “Chicagoan of the Year” by Chicago magazine and “Hero of the Year” People magazine. He appeared in Ebony magazine’s “Power 100” list and was recognized by Presidents Barack Obama and Bill Clinton for his work with youth.

King received his B.S. in Foreign Service and J.D. from Georgetown University. He has completed post-graduate work in Kenya and Italy; holds the Doctorate Honoris Causa from the Adler School; and serves on several boards, including the Chicago Park District Board of Commissioners.

Carmen Twillie Ambar (F’90)

Carmen Twillie Ambar, president of Cedar Crest College in Allentown since 2008, has been largely responsible for the vision, development and implementation of the college's strategic plan, designed to help Cedar Crest transform into a 21st century women’s college.

Under Ambar’s leadership, Cedar Crest launched the new School of Adult and Graduate Education (SAGE) as well as nearly 22 new initiatives focused on global connectivity, creativity and the liberal arts, civic engagement, and health and wellness.

She has earned several awards including the 2012 Girls Scouts “Take the Lead” Award, the 2011 American Association of University Women (AAUW) Gateway to Equity Award from the organization’s Allentown Branch, and the 2010 Athena Award from the Women’s Business Council (WBC) of the Greater Lehigh Valley Chamber of Commerce.

Ambar came to Cedar Crest College after a highly successful tenure as dean of Douglass College at Rutgers University, where she was the youngest dean in the university’s history. Prior to her time at Rutgers, she served as assistant dean of graduate education at the Woodrow Wilson School of Public and International Affairs at Princeton University.

She earned her bachelor’s at Georgetown, her public affairs master’s at Princeton University and her J.D. at Columbia School of Law.

Jane Martinez Dowling (C’90)

Jane Martinez Dowling is the executive director of KIPP Through College (KTC), the alumni program for graduates of the KIPP schools in New York City. The KTC program has served over 1,500 KIPP alumni and, since 2008, she has led the program through significant growth, increasing the overall college attainment rate for KIPP students from 21% to 50%, almost five times the college completion rate for low income students of color.

For over 20 years, Martinez Dowling has been committed to providing educational opportunities to under-served children in New York. She has extensive experience in non-profit management of public, private and parochial school programs, and in all grades from kindergarten through college. She began her career with the Teach For America (TFA) program.

At Georgetown, she double-majored in government and psychology. She also holds a Certificate in Non-Profit Management from Harvard Business School’s Executive Education program, and attended Columbia University’s School of Social Work for graduate studies in Social Work Administration.

Martinez Dowling is a national speaker on education reform. She has appeared on MSNBC, NY1 Noticias, was profiled in America magazine, and in the book How Children Succeed: Grit, Curiosity and the Hidden Power of Character by Paul Tough. She currently serves on the Board of Regents at Georgetown University, and is a board member for KIPP NYC Charter Schools.

Gordon M. Bobb, Esq. (C’93)

Gordon Bobb is a partner in the Santa Monica law firm of Del, Shaw, Moonves, Tanaka, Finkelstein & Lezcano. He works with the firm’s film, television and new media clients including actors Jamie Foxx and Cedric The Entertainer, as well as feature writers/directors Ava DuVernay (Selma), Malcolm D. Lee (Best Man Holiday), Gina Prince-Bythewood (Beyond the Lights) and Justin Simien (Dear White People).

After receiving his B.A. from Georgetown, Bobb earned a J.D. from Columbia University School of Law. He began his legal career as a securities attorney in the New York office of Willkie, Farr & Gallagher in 1996. In 1998, his passion for the arts sparked a relocation to Los Angeles to join the Century City firm of Kaye, Scholer, Fierman, Hays & Handler. In 2000, he joined his current firm as an associate.

Bobb is on the board of directors of the Blackhouse Foundation, a non-profit organization dedicated to expanding opportunities for Black filmmakers and encouraging their inclusion at the world’s premiere film festivals by fostering an environment for continuing support, community and education. He is also an active member and advisor to the Georgetown Entertainment and Media Alliance (GEMA).
C. Edward “Eddie” Hill (B’92)

Eddie Hill is the senior vice president of consumer marketing and brand strategy for BET Networks (a Viacom company), responsible for all facets of the consumer marketing and social media strategies for both BET and CENTRIC, across all platforms.

He has led the consumer marketing campaigns for such hit programming as The Game, BET Awards, Being Mary Jane and Real Husbands of Hollywood, among others. He also helped develop the launch of BET’s new brand campaign in 2012, and CENTRIC’s brand refresh in 2014.

Prior to joining BET Networks, Hill held senior marketing roles at WWE, American Express, Nickelodeon, ESPN, and The Walt Disney Studios.

He earned his MBA from the Anderson Graduate School of Management at UCLA, and his BSBA degree in marketing from Georgetown University.

Obiehi Janice (F’09)

With an award-winning comedic short (BLACK GIRL YOGA) and a highly acclaimed one-woman show (FUFU & OREOS) under her belt, Obiehi Janice uses her innate skills and toned expertise to promote and explore the power of voice in identity, politics, cultural exchange and testimony.

Named Boston's Best Actress in 2014 by The Improper Bostonian, Janice shines as a performer on stage, film and television. The Georgetown University graduate is classically trained by Shakespeare & Company and has honed comedic improvisation through instruction at ImprovBoston. She was named Boston's Best Actress in 2014 by The Improper Bostonian, and was recently named as a recipient of the Fox Foundation Fellowship for actors.

Her voice can be heard in video games, radio and commercials while her potent writing has been featured in Kinfolk: a journal of black expression. She has also garnered esteem and recognition from Bustle, WBUR, DigBoston, For Harriet and The Boston Globe.

Monique Jones (B’87)

Monique Jones has been a finance executive in the film industry since 1996. She currently serves as vice president of finance/controller for Sidney Kimmel Entertainment in Beverly Hills. She is responsible for providing financial analysis and decision-making support to the executive management team on a variety of projects involving motion picture production, distribution, financing and business affairs. Her areas of responsibility also include forecasting film profitability; production finance and accounting; distributor collections; and corporate finance and accounting.

Prior to her affiliation with Sidney Kimmel Entertainment, Jones held senior finance positions with Sony Pictures Television International, Icon Entertainment International, Myriad Pictures and PolyGram Filmed Entertainment.

A native of Omaha, Nebraska, she graduated with a B.S. in Finance from Georgetown University and obtained her MBA from The Anderson School at UCLA. Jones serves on the executive board of the UCLA Anderson Alumni Network and the Advisory Council of Dress for Success Worldwide-West.

Malcolm D. Lee (C’92)

Lee has been making films since the age of 12 in animation, video and Super-8 film formats. He has been working professionally in the industry since age 17 as a production assistant, apprentice film editor, casting associate, assistant director and director's assistant.

After completing his undergraduate studies at Georgetown, Lee accepted a year-long fellowship in screenwriting from Walt Disney Studios. He gained entry New York University’s Tisch School of the Arts, honed his craft as a director and writer, and went on to make the award-winning short film, Morningside Prep. With his sixth screenplay, The Best Man, Lee made his directorial debut. The film scored a #1 ranking at the box office in 1999. He then directed the action comedy Undercover Brother in 2002. His third feature, Roll Bounce, debuted Sept. 2005 and he went on to make Welcome Home Roscoe Jenkins and Soul Men in 2008.

Lee scored his biggest box-office hit with the sequel to his first film in Nov. 2013 (a banner year for African American films). With a game-changing debut, The Best Man Holiday grossed $30.5 million in its opening weekend alone. Another installment of The Best Man franchise is in the works.

Obiehi Janice (F’09)

With an award-winning comedic short (BLACK GIRL YOGA) and a highly acclaimed one-woman show (FUFU & OREOS) under her belt, Obiehi Janice uses her innate skills and toned expertise to promote and explore the power of voice in identity, politics, cultural exchange and testimony.

Named Boston's Best Actress in 2014 by The Improper Bostonian, Janice shines as a performer on stage, film and television. The Georgetown University graduate is classically trained by Shakespeare & Company and has honed comedic improvisation through instruction at ImprovBoston. She was named Boston's Best Actress in 2014 by The Improper Bostonian, and was recently named as a recipient of the Fox Foundation Fellowship for actors.

Her voice can be heard in video games, radio and commercials while her potent writing has been featured in Kinfolk: a journal of black expression. She has also garnered esteem and recognition from Bustle, WBUR, DigBoston, For Harriet and The Boston Globe.

Monique Jones (B’87)

Monique Jones has been a finance executive in the film industry since 1996. She currently serves as vice president of finance/controller for Sidney Kimmel Entertainment in Beverly Hills. She is responsible for providing financial analysis and decision-making support to the executive management team on a variety of projects involving motion picture production, distribution, financing and business affairs. Her areas of responsibility also include forecasting film profitability; production finance and accounting; distributor collections; and corporate finance and accounting.

Prior to her affiliation with Sidney Kimmel Entertainment, Jones held senior finance positions with Sony Pictures Television International, Icon Entertainment International, Myriad Pictures and PolyGram Filmed Entertainment.

A native of Omaha, Nebraska, she graduated with a B.S. in Finance from Georgetown University and obtained her MBA from The Anderson School at UCLA. Jones serves on the executive board of the UCLA Anderson Alumni Network and the Advisory Council of Dress for Success Worldwide-West.

Lee has been making films since the age of 12 in animation, video and Super-8 film formats. He has been working professionally in the industry since age 17 as a production assistant, apprentice film editor, casting associate, assistant director and director's assistant.

After completing his undergraduate studies at Georgetown, Lee accepted a year-long fellowship in screenwriting from Walt Disney Studios. He gained entry New York University’s Tisch School of the Arts, honed his craft as a director and writer, and went on to make the award-winning short film, Morningside Prep. With his sixth screenplay, The Best Man, Lee made his directorial debut. The film scored a #1 ranking at the box office in 1999. He then directed the action comedy Undercover Brother in 2002. His third feature, Roll Bounce, debuted Sept. 2005 and he went on to make Welcome Home Roscoe Jenkins and Soul Men in 2008.

Lee scored his biggest box-office hit with the sequel to his first film in Nov. 2013 (a banner year for African American films). With a game-changing debut, The Best Man Holiday grossed $30.5 million in its opening weekend alone. Another installment of The Best Man franchise is in the works.

Obiehi Janice (F’09)

With an award-winning comedic short (BLACK GIRL YOGA) and a highly acclaimed one-woman show (FUFU & OREOS) under her belt, Obiehi Janice uses her innate skills and toned expertise to promote and explore the power of voice in identity, politics, cultural exchange and testimony.

Named Boston's Best Actress in 2014 by The Improper Bostonian, Janice shines as a performer on stage, film and television. The Georgetown University graduate is classically trained by Shakespeare & Company and has honed comedic improvisation through instruction at ImprovBoston. She was named Boston's Best Actress in 2014 by The Improper Bostonian, and was recently named as a recipient of the Fox Foundation Fellowship for actors.

Her voice can be heard in video games, radio and commercials while her potent writing has been featured in Kinfolk: a journal of black expression. She has also garnered esteem and recognition from Bustle, WBUR, DigBoston, For Harriet and The Boston Globe.

Monique Jones (B’87)

Monique Jones has been a finance executive in the film industry since 1996. She currently serves as vice president of finance/controller for Sidney Kimmel Entertainment in Beverly Hills. She is responsible for providing financial analysis and decision-making support to the executive management team on a variety of projects involving motion picture production, distribution, financing and business affairs. Her areas of responsibility also include forecasting film profitability; production finance and accounting; distributor collections; and corporate finance and accounting.

Prior to her affiliation with Sidney Kimmel Entertainment, Jones held senior finance positions with Sony Pictures Television International, Icon Entertainment International, Myriad Pictures and PolyGram Filmed Entertainment.

A native of Omaha, Nebraska, she graduated with a B.S. in Finance from Georgetown University and obtained her MBA from The Anderson School at UCLA. Jones serves on the executive board of the UCLA Anderson Alumni Network and the Advisory Council of Dress for Success Worldwide-West.

Lee has been making films since the age of 12 in animation, video and Super-8 film formats. He has been working professionally in the industry since age 17 as a production assistant, apprentice film editor, casting associate, assistant director and director's assistant.

After completing his undergraduate studies at Georgetown, Lee accepted a year-long fellowship in screenwriting from Walt Disney Studios. He gained entry New York University’s Tisch School of the Arts, honed his craft as a director and writer, and went on to make the award-winning short film, Morningside Prep. With his sixth screenplay, The Best Man, Lee made his directorial debut. The film scored a #1 ranking at the box office in 1999. He then directed the action comedy Undercover Brother in 2002. His third feature, Roll Bounce, debuted Sept. 2005 and he went on to make Welcome Home Roscoe Jenkins and Soul Men in 2008.

Lee scored his biggest box-office hit with the sequel to his first film in Nov. 2013 (a banner year for African American films). With a game-changing debut, The Best Man Holiday grossed $30.5 million in its opening weekend alone. Another installment of The Best Man franchise is in the works.
Omari Faulkner (C’04)

Omari Faulkner, a trailblazing strategist and business developer, is the founder and board president of O Street International, a nonprofit organization focused on transforming international engagement ideas and practices into high-impact solutions that energize cultural exchanges.

Faulkner believes in connecting global citizens. This belief has led him to over 45 countries, in a number of capacities including Sports Envoy, Financial Management and Human Resources Officer with the U.S. Department of State. His exemplary service in these roles has earned him national recognition and two prestigious distinctions by the Department of State.

For Faulkner, success and service are synonymous. With a particular emphasis on youth and sport, he actively serves on a number of boards, advocating for quality education, women’s equality and cultural exchange. Most recently, he was appointed to Governor McAuliffe’s Advisory Board on Volunteerism and National Service. Faulkner expanded his passions for athleticism, education, and global diplomacy into the collegiate classroom as an adjunct professor at Georgetown University. He was awarded the 2015 Georgetown School of Continuing Studies Excellence in Teaching Award. In 2014, he was commissioned as a public affairs officer in the U.S. Navy Reserves.

While at Georgetown, he was a member of the men’s basketball team, earning such distinctions as BIG EAST All-Academic Team, Georgetown Dean’s List.

DeWayne Louis (B’01)

DeWayne Louis is founding partner at ARP Investments based in New York. He has over 15 years of experience in investment banking, private equity and hedge funds. In his role at ARP Investments, Louis focuses on business development and investor relations strategies designed to serve the investment needs of institutional asset allocators.

Prior to ARP Investments, Louis spent nearly a decade with Investcorp’s hedge fund business — joining at the inception of the firm’s North American and European hedge fund business. Before joining Investcorp, he spent two years as an associate director in UBS’ Private Equity Secondary Group, focusing on buying and selling private equity interests in the secondary market. He also worked an associate in the Investment Banking Division of Credit Suisse, focusing on mergers, acquisitions and project finance transactions.

Nana Apenem Dagadu, MPH (C’07)

Nana Apenem Dagadu has been a research officer at Georgetown University’s Institute for Reproductive Health (IRH) since 2012 and received a faculty appointment as instructor at Georgetown University Medical Center in 2013. Her current research focuses on transforming social norms to prevent gender-based violence, eliminate health disparities and empower adolescents throughout life’s course. She is most enthused by her work documenting systematic approaches of scaling up evidence-based programs that expand reproductive choice and improve lives globally.

She obtained an MPH with a concentration in Reproductive Health and International Health and Development from Tulane University School of Public Health and Tropical Medicine and has over seven years of experience designing and implementing sustainable development and sexual and reproductive health programs in sub-Saharan Africa and the U.S.

During her days on the Hilltop, she was a John Carroll Fellow, an All-American member and captain of the track and field team. She is a track and field Olympic Trial qualifier, Division I NCAA All-American, NCAA Academic All-American, Penn Relays Champion, BIG EAST Conference MVP and BIG EAST Player of the Year in track and field. She holds a B.A. in sociology with a concentration in social justice from Georgetown University and a master’s in education from Vanderbilt University.

PANELISTS

Buky Bamigboye (C’09)

Buky Bamigboye is the co-founder of NATION 360 and the “I am NATION” campaign, a social enterprise that specializes in providing athletic and life-skills based programs for students and educational organizations. An expert in education and athlete development, she has created education-based programs, curriculum, events and initiatives for organizations across the country.

Bamigboye is a character coach with the University of Maryland’s women’s basketball team. She is also the former special assistant to the President and Senior Vice President of World Learning, one of the largest education and international development organizations in the U.S. She led advancement initiatives with AGIE Africa and the Embassy of Malawi for girls’ education.

Prior to her career in education and athlete development, Bamigboye was a professional and collegiate track and field athlete. She is a track and field Olympic Trial qualifier, Division I NCAA All-American, NCAA Academic All-American, Penn Relays Champion, BIG EAST Conference MVP and BIG EAST Player of the Year in track and field. She holds a B.A. in sociology with a concentration in social justice from Georgetown University and a master’s in education from Vanderbilt University.

DeWayne Louis (B’01)

DeWayne Louis is founding partner at ARP Investments based in New York. He has over 15 years of experience in investment banking, private equity and hedge funds. In his role at ARP Investments, Louis focuses on business development and investor relations strategies designed to serve the investment needs of institutional asset allocators.

Prior to ARP Investments, Louis spent nearly a decade with Investcorp’s hedge fund business — joining at the inception of the firm’s North American and European hedge fund business. Before joining Investcorp, he spent two years as an associate director in UBS’ Private Equity Secondary Group, focusing on buying and selling private equity interests in the secondary market. He also worked an associate in the Investment Banking Division of Credit Suisse, focusing on mergers, acquisitions and project finance transactions.

Law professor and attorney Kemit A. Mawakana is a triple alum of Georgetown, earning his undergraduate degree in 1990, his J.D. in 1994 and his LLM 2006. As an undergraduate student-athlete at Georgetown, he was on the men’s basketball team where he won multiple BIG EAST Championships and served as team co-captain.

After his athletic career ended, Mawakana practiced complex civil litigation representing Fortune 500 companies, and represented community groups in multi-million dollar affordable housing transactional matters. As a law professor and scholar, he earned national recognition from his peers for his subject matter expertise in the field of contract law. An avid writer, he has published and contributed to many articles, books and online publications like Black Agenda Report.

His most satisfying professional work has been with African people of the diaspora and of the continent through AYA Educational Institute where he is the Washington, D.C. coordinator and a facilitator of leadership, mediation and personal development workshops, presentations and lectures.

Joe Pierce (B’91)

Joe Pierce has been vice president and general counsel at Hornets Sports & Entertainment since 2013. He joined the franchise from Bank of America, where he spent five years as senior vice president and associate general counsel for global marketing and corporate affairs. Prior to Bank of America, Pierce spent four years as vice president of business and legal affairs for Comcast Sports Group.

He began his career in sports with the Jacksonville Jaguars, where he served as associate general counsel from 2002-2005, after spending four years as a corporate lawyer at Wilson Sonsini Goodrich & Rosati in Palo Alto, Ca.

Pierce is a graduate of Georgetown University, where he received a bachelor’s in business administration and was captain of the track & field team. He earned dual J.D. and MBA degrees from the University of Pennsylvania Law School and Wharton School of Business.

He serves on the Board of Trustees of the Mint Museum and the Board of the Charlotte Hornets Foundation.
Committee Members

CO-CHAIRS

Donor Recognition

SAMUEL HALSEY GIVING CIRCLE
- Valerie Beal (C'76)
- Kenneth Brown (C'88)
- James Chesley (C'79)
- Damien Dwin (B'97)
- Christina Getachew (F'90)
- Renee Harper Andrey (C'94)
- Malcolm Lee (C'92)
- Lorraine McGowen (F'86)

DONORS
- Kirk Blackman (B'89)
- Theresa Buckson
- Traci Carmen-Jones (B'89)
- Cheryl Cooper (B'88)
- Erika Davies (C'98)
- Janine Dorsett (C'88, L'94)
- Jennifer Gerz-Escandon (C'97)
- Siobhan Grant (F'94)
- Bruce Groenveldt (B'95)
- Essya Hanachi (B'93)
- Traci Higgins (B'86)
- Eddie Hill (B'94)
- Bridget Johnson (B'97)
- Evonne Jones (C'94)

- Ginger McKnight-Chavers (F'85)
- Kodwo Mills (C'91)
- Wayne Montfries (B'88)
- Cyril Mowatt (F'89)
- Melody Rollins Downes (F'93)
- Tanya Taylor (C'90)
- Tammye Thompson (C'91)