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Name Nichole Hancock, M.Ed

Bio/CV/Resume:

M. Nichole Hancock is currently the President/CEO & Founder of the first-ever “Shades of Pink Breast Cancer Survivors Mass Choir” (formerly known as the Metro Atlanta Breast Cancer Survivors Mass Choir) where she is committed to “changing the face of breast cancer” and what it means to be a “breast cancer survivors.” The choir began as an innovative method of increasing awareness and education about the benefits of early detection. Nichole believes that music transcends all barriers and has the power to heal. She also believes that increasing education and awareness will ultimately assist communities in achieving optimal health and wellness.

Nichole became interested in women’s health after graduating from the University of Georgia in 1998 with a Bachelor of Science in Education with a concentration in Health Promotion and Behavior: Corporate & Community Health. After graduating, Nichole joined the Emory University Regional Training Center as a Program Development Specialist. In 2000, she joined Winship Cancer Institute at Emory University as a Health Educator, where she later became the Senior Program Associate for the Winship Cancer Institute’s - Avon Foundation Comprehensive Breast Center of Grady Health System’s Community Education & Outreach Initiative.

Nichole later went back to school to receive her Master’s in Education from AIU in 2004. Ms. Hancock joined MAXIMUS as a Statewide Program Manager for Outreach for Georgia Healthy Families in August 2005. Ms. Hancock has nearly 10 years experience working in the public health field. Over the years Nichole has served on numerous Boards and Committees where she has given both her time and financial support to assisting other organizations. In October 2006, Nichole was recognized as one of the **2007 Who’s Who for Executive and Professional Women** and honor for her work in public health, women’s health and her commitment to breast cancer.

A native Atlantan and proud mother of a beautiful 5 year old daughter whom she says is the reason she dedicates so much time and energy to women’s health, Shades of Pink and breast cancer education and awareness.



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Name Vivian Varner

Bio/CV/Resume:

A native New Yorker, Mrs. Varner is currently volunteering her time as the Director of the "Shades of Pink" Breast Cancer Survivors Mass Choir. Mrs. Varner has worked with the choir since its conception in 2003. Mrs. Varner has over 30 years of experience directing and participating in gospel choirs.

In 1983, while in Stuttgart, West Germany during her husband's tour of duty with the United States Army, she was given the opportunity to sing, direct and travel across Germany with the Fifth General Hospital Gospel Choir and perform at venues like the America Haus. She also served as the Assistant Director of the "God's Children" gospel choir based in Ft. Hood, Texas. Mrs. Varner received her Bachelor of Science Degree in Broadcasting from the University of Central Texas in 1988.

In 1989, Vivian returned to Baumholder Germany with her husband where she became the director of the Baumholder Chapel Mass Choir. She would spend the next four years traveling extensively throughout Germany, Austria and Switzerland with the Choir. In 1994, upon returning to the United States she joined and later directed the New Life Interdenominational Church Choir in Fayetteville, North Carolina.

In 1998, Vivian moved to Georgia with her husband, Willie Varner, of 26 years and her two children Courtney and Earon. Vivian enjoys singing professionally and song writing. She joined the "Voices of Restoration" and became one of the lead/background vocalist, writers, and later manager of this professional gospel group. She is also an active member of the Word of Faith Family Worship Cathedral choir here in Atlanta.

When Vivian contacted the breast cancer choir in 2003 it was in response to a public service announcement at the choir's inception. She was told by the representative that the choir would be comprised totally of breast cancer survivors. At that time Vivian was not a survivor, but did share that she had experience directing and would be interested in volunteering in that capacity if possible. Two and a half years later in December 2005 Vivian was diagnosed with breast cancer. Up until her connection with the group Vivian had never given much thought to self examinations or yearly mammogram's. Fortunately, this affiliation with the group prompted her to receive two yearly mammogram's (having never done so before) in which the cancer was discovered in a very early stage and affording her an excellent prognosis for continued health. As small tumors are rarely detected without the use of mammograms it may have been several years before she would have been diagnosed. This is what she so proudly calls the "Set Up".



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Name Dee M. Baldwin, PhD, RN, FAAN

Dr. Baldwin received her Ph.D. in Higher Education at Georgia State University and a Master's of Nursing degree from Emory University. She currently serves as an Associate Professor and Executive Director of Project Breast Health in the Byrdine F. Lewis School of Nursing at Georgia State University, Atlanta Georgia.

Dr. Baldwin is a principal investigator for several studies on the promotion of breast health in older African American women. She has developed a model for describing low-income African American women's participation in breast and cervical cancer early detection and screening, and has established Project Breast Health, a culture-specific educational program designed to increase older African American women's use of cancer screening services.

Dr. Baldwin, a champion of women's health for more than a decade, is the former Executive Director of Georgia's Office of Women's Health. Her selection to this role was a natural consequence of her many contributions to women's health and minority health through her many community-based projects that she has conducted over the years to provide health information to women and minorities. She has conducted multiple funded demonstration projects and research studies that have focused on early detection of breast and cervical cancer in minority populations through culturally appropriate educational programs and screening. She has received many awards in appreciation of her contributions to women's health, and was hailed as a local hero in the fight to eradicate breast cancer in 1998 by the Atlanta Journal Constitution.

Dr. Baldwin is the Owner and President, HealthWise Enterprise, LLC, and the recipient of numerous research grants and education grants. She is a frequent speaker at professional conferences and the author of numerous articles in professional publications.



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Name Stacy R. Freeman, BA

Bio/CV/Resume:

Stacy R. Freeman was born and raised in Long Island, New York and relocated to the Atlanta area 20 years ago. She is currently the accountant/bookkeeper for Central Parking System of Georgia in Atlanta, Georgia. She has held this title since August 2003 when she started with the company. Stacy is responsible for the daily accounting functions for more than 30 locations throughout Atlanta which include; reporting and posting revenue, accounts payable, supply procurement and some payroll duties. Along with this experience she also has five years of previous experience with accounting and insurance claims as a Claims Analyst with Allied Automotive Group in Decatur, Georgia. In her capacity there Stacy was responsible for processing damage claims for the Daimler-Chrysler account which eventually led to more accounting functions such as responsibility for processing claims payments. Stacy has experience with PeopleSoft, Trintech, and Microsoft Office. Stacy received her BS in Accounting from the University of Phoenix and is currently seeking her MBA.

In addition to her work experience, Stacy has also had an affiliation with volunteering for breast cancer awareness as a Community Health Advocate for the Emory Winship Cancer Institute from 2003-2005. Stacy strongly believes and is truly dedicated in spreading the message to all women how important it is for self examination and getting yearly mammograms. She believes it is especially important to reach the underserved communities and arm them with sound information and tools. Stacy is looking forward to a long and rewarding relationship with Shades of Pink and continuing to spread the word.



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Name Natasha Johnson, Ph.D. Georgia License #PSY002790

B.A. (psychology), University of the South; M.A. (psychology), Wake Forest University; Ph.D. (clinical psychology), University of Georgia; Staff Psychologist, Atlanta Veterans' Administration Medical Center; member, board of directors of Positive Impact, Inc.; former instructor in psychology, University of Georgia; former member of adjunct faculty in psychology, Clayton College and State University; participant in numerous clinical practice, internships and externships in psychology.

A full bio will be submitted later.



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Name James D. Williams, Jr.

Bio/CV/Resume:

"Butch" Williams graduated from the North Carolina Central University in 1976, and received his Juris Doctor degree from the North Carolina Central University School of Law in 1979. He was admitted to the Bar in the District of Columbia in 1979, and to the North Carolina bar in 1984. He is also admitted to practice as an Attorney and Counselor of the U.S. District Court, Middle Eastern and Western Districts, the Fourth Circuit Court of Appeals, and the United States Supreme Court.

Mr. Williams has built a thriving practice in criminal law over nineteen years, for the present firm in 1996. He has consistently received an A1 rating (the highest awarded) by Martindale-Hubbell, and was recognized as Outstanding Durham Criminal Defense Attorney of the year, 1993. "Butch" Williams is also known in the sporting world for his work as a sports agent.

"Butch" Williams is a member of the Durham County, North Carolina, and America Bar Associations; the North Carolina Academy of Trial Lawyers; the North Carolina Association of Black Lawyers; the 14th Judicial District Bar; the Sports Lawyers Association; the Black Entertainment and Sports Lawyers Association; the American Inns of Court; and the National Football and National Basketball Players Associations. He serves the Sports and Entertainment Committee of the North Carolina State Bar, NCCU Board of Visitors and Board of Trustee at St. Paul's College Lawrenceville, VA.

Since 1990, Mr. Williams has taught sports law and trial practice as an Assistant Professor at North Carolina Central University.



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Name Kenneth Huff, MBA_____.

Bio/CV/Resume:

Ken is responsible for Georgia Power's community development and external affairs activities in Butts and Henry counties. In his role as a member of the Metro South leadership team, Ken works with business leaders, educators, and legislators to enhance the quality of life and advance the economic development of these communities.

Since 2004, Ken has served on the board of directors of Southern Regional Medical Center, a 406-bed medical/surgical hospital located in Riverdale, GA. In 2005, he served as the Vice-chair of Chamber Development for the Henry County Chamber of Commerce (HCCC). Presently, Ken serves as Vice-Chair of Government & Education for the HCCC. In January 2007, he will become the Chair-Elect of the Henry Chamber's board of directors. Ken also serves on the board of directors of the New Birth South Community Impact Center (a 501 (c)(3) organization) and the Hartsfield Area Transportation Management Association. He is also a member of the advisory councils for the:

- United Way of Clayton, Henry and Butts Counties and
- Clayton County School Superintendent.

Ken began his career with Southern Company, Georgia Power's parent firm, nearly 23 years ago at Pensacola, Florida-based Gulf Power. After 10 years of increasingly more responsible duties in financial accounting, power generation, and cost accounting at Gulf Power Company, Ken transferred to Georgia Power. Over the last 13 years in Atlanta, Ken has gained diverse experience through various assignments in resource management, customer operations, marketing, and customer service.

A native of Pensacola, Florida, Ken graduated with a Bachelor of Arts Degree in Accounting (*magna cum laude*) from the University of West Florida. Ken also received an Executive MBA degree from Auburn University.



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Name Elvan "Ellie" Daniels, M.D.

Currently serves as the Associate Director for Community Oriented Primary Care, at the National Center for Primary Care at Morehouse School of Medicine and Assistant Professor, Department of Community Health and Preventive Medicine at Morehouse School of Medicine where she is also a Member of the Institution Review Board. Dr Daniels is responsible for management and oversight of all NCPC community health center projects and she is the principal investigator for the Healthy Communities Access Program (HCAP) Project funded by HRSA. These research activities support her interest in disparities research. Her primary research interest is in the area of cancer disparities particularly issues impacting screening and early detection

Dr. Daniels was recruited to MSM in 2001 by the National Center for Primary Care (NCPC), to assume leadership of the Southeast Regional Clinicians Network/ Morehouse School of Medicine Practice Based Research Network (SERCN/MSM PBRN) after completing a fellowship in Faculty Development/Clinical Research at the Medical University of South Carolina, Charleston in 2001. She is a family physician with over 12 yrs experience in community health. Prior to joining NCPC she had 6 years experience as medical director of several community health centers in South Carolina. During her tenure in South Carolina; she was active in quality improvement activities such as the HRSA Diabetes Collaborative, the Hollings Cancer Center Access Network and participated on the expert panel for the HRSA Cancer Collaborative pilot. As medical director at Family Health Centers, Inc, Orangeburg, SC, she led the first HRSA/BPHC Southeast Region Diabetes Collaborative Team and has served as faculty during the Institute for Healthcare Improvement (IHI) National Congress, HRSA/BPHC Health Disparities Collaborative National Kick-off, and the Southeast Region Health Disparities Collaborative learning sessions.



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Name Rev. Raliegh Rucker .

Bio/CV/Resume:

Reverend Raleigh Rucker is a native of Atlanta, Georgia. He received his primary and secondary education in the Atlanta Public School System. After graduating from Henry McNeal Turner High School in 1956, he joined the United States Marine Corps., serving ten years.

Reverend Rucker is the owner of Raleigh Rucker Funeral Home in Decatur, Georgia. A family operated business giving 34 years of funeral service to the community. He is a licensed Funeral Director.

Reverend Rucker is the father of nine children, the grandfather of ten and the great grandfather of two.

Reverend Rucker accepted his call into the ministry after leading a full and active life in the community. Soon after being ordained, he found and organized the Mt. Patmos Baptist Church in Decatur, Georgia with only 16 members. Today, through the blessings of Christ, the church now has over 4,500 on its membership roll.

Reverend Rucker has been recognized by several community based organizations. He is the recipient of the Unsung Hero for Peace award, on June 25, 2002, Whites Mill Road was renamed in his honor Raleigh Rucker Way. Jet magazine also recognized him as the First African American to hold his current position as Chaplain with the Georgia Bureau of Investigations and Georgia State Patrol. He is the recipient of the Dekalb NAACP Leaders among Leaders award, the Thurgood Marshall award, Dekalb County's Father of the Year award, a Georgia Outstanding Citizen award and the Atlanta Journal & Constitution Public Service award. He was honored by Dekalb County as the Christian Entrepreneur of the Year bestowed upon him by his religious peers. He was also labeled as "A Great Gospel Preacher and recording Artist".

Reverend Rucker's ministerial and law enforcement duties has not ended, for he is the Chaplain for Georgia State NOBLES (National Organization for Black Law Enforcement, Inc.), Chief Chaplain for the Clarkston Police Department, Chaplain of the Edward-Miller Foundation (children with physical challenges and disabilities), and is Chief Advisor of the Monticello Police Department with the rank of Lieutenant Colonel. He currently sits on the Advisory Board of the RYDC (Youth Detention Center). In the passed he has sat on boards as Dekalb County Board of Ethics and the Board of Minority Businesses in Dekalb County.

Reverend Rucker believes in the scripture "The strong is supposed to bear the infirmities of the weak". His motto is: "Don't look down on a man, unless you are looking down to pick him up".



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Name Tonya Bessillieu Williams .

Bio/CV/Resume:

With 20 years combined experience in the hospitality industry and event management, Tonya Bessillieu Williams launched TBW Consulting Group in the fall of 2005 to expand her scope of services in meeting the comprehensive needs of her clients. Known as one of Atlanta's premier conference and event planners, Williams specializes in providing creative and innovative concepts tailored to her clients needs; unrivaled attention to detail; and unparalleled professional service.

Prior to founding TBW Consulting Group, Williams served as vice president of Special Events and Conventions at Eventions, Inc., one of the South's leading convention management and communications agencies, where she worked for 10 years. While at Eventions, Williams was responsible for oversight of the special event, convention management and creative divisions. She served as the lead project manager for many of the firm's major clients, including the National Association of Securities Professionals (NASP), The Coca-Cola Company, Rémy Martin, Coors Brewing Company, Fulton County Government, City of Atlanta - Department of Aviation, The King Center and General Motors, and enabled the firm to garner its reputation as one of the best agencies of its kind.

Williams has produced such notable events as Atlanta Life Financial Group's Centennial Gala, Congressman John Lewis' 65th Birthday Celebration with Senator Barak Obama, the annual Celebration of Survival for Breast Cancer Awareness featuring Patti LaBelle, Maya Angelou, and Sinbad. The Center for Democratic Renewal's "Faces of Triumph" Dinner honoring civil rights icons Andrew Young, Coretta Scott King, C.T. Vivian and Joseph Lowery. Rémy Martin's 2004 XO Excellence Awards and 2005 1738 Awards which honored some of Atlanta's most influential and interesting residents including National Black Arts Festival founder Stephanie Hughley and Über producer Jazzy Pha.

Her experience with conference planning is varied and extensive. She has planned two international aviation conferences for the City of Atlanta and Jane Fonda's GCAPP (Georgia Campaign for Adolescent Pregnancy Prevention) Conference featuring Oprah Winfrey. For the past 3 years, Tonya has planned the Annual Pension and Financial Services Conference for NASP - the premier professional organization for people of color and women on Wall Street - co-founded by the late Mayor Maynard Jackson. For 16 years this annual gathering has attracted an impressive group of investment professionals, including corporate treasurers, key public trustees, asset allocation experts and world-recognized economists.

Williams began her career in the hospitality industry with the Marriott Corporation as a member of the team that opened the 1,674 room Marriott Marquis in Atlanta, Georgia, the largest convention hotel in the southeast. A born entrepreneur, she later co-founded Company's Coming, a catering business that specialized in not just preparing and serving gourmet food, but catering to the needs of the entire event with the service you would expect from a five-star establishment.

Her hard work, creativity and expertise led her to comprehensive special event planning and convention management where she honed her skills in the creation of image-enhancing communications tools and the development of state-of the-art event management systems. Williams is an expert at defining her client's needs and customizing programs to meet them.



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Name Glyn E. Jones, MD

Bio/CV/Resume:

Dr. Jones' patients praise him as a caring, compassionate surgeon who spends time getting to know them while paying meticulous attention to surgical detail.

He also is known for his charming accent because he originally hails from Zimbabwe. Before coming to America, he was board certified in General Surgery by the Royal College of Surgeons and in Plastic Surgery by the South African College of Surgeons.

Today, he is an Associate Professor of Plastic Surgery at Emory Clinic and Chief of Plastic Surgery at Emory Crawford Long Hospital in Atlanta. As a renowned member of the international physician community, he speaks regularly at meetings around the globe and has been widely published in plastic surgery magazines, journals and books.

His practice focuses on facial aesthetic surgery, breast surgery and breast reconstruction and body contouring. He also performs facial reconstruction after cancer.

He is married with three children and enjoys painting, playing the guitar and skiing.