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EDUCATION:

- **The University of North Carolina** at Chapel Hill's School of Government, Masters of Public Administration, 2002
- **The University of North Carolina** at Chapel Hill's School of Social Work, Certificate of Non-Profit Leadership, 2002
- **Bethune-Cookman College**, Daytona Beach, FL., Bachelors of Political Science, with Honors, 2000
- **The Center on Philanthropy at Indiana University-** Certificate of Achievement, Preparing Successful Grant Proposals; 2005
- **The Center on Philanthropy at Indiana University-** Certificate of Achievement, Fundraising for Small Nonprofits; 2005

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE:

- **CEO, Drakeford and Associates Consulting**, Durham, NC 2003-Present
Community-Minded Consulting, Manage large and small-scale development projects; strategic planning, cost-benefit analysis, S.W.O.T. Analysis, grant writing, motivational speaking. Manage a select group of independent contractors and consultants. Service aimed towards organizations working in undeserved communities. 3.25 million in awards for clients through grants For more detailed information see: www.drakefordassociates.org
- **Adjunct Faculty, Masters in Public Administration North Carolina Central University**, Durham NC 2007- Present Courses; Faith-Based Organization and Economic Development; American Government
- **Executive Director, Clarence E. Lightner Endowment Fund**, Raleigh NC 2007-Present; Responsible for youth programming, board development, philanthropy, and grant writing. For more information see www.lightnerfund.org
- **Director, Community Service and Freshman Studies**, Raleigh NC 2003-05; recruit and facilitate multiple community partnerships to increase student service opportunities, Instructor-Coach for Freshman Studies 111, Instructor-Navigator for Community Service 112, Professor; Orientation to Shaw University, curriculum design, professor training, published author on Service Learning, Assistant to Dean of Chapel with official task, administrative support, hospital visits, public speaking engagements, and counseling. Coordinated student community service with area non-profits and faith-based institutions
- **Director, Middle and High School Services, Communities In Schools of Wake County**, Raleigh NC 2002
Designed college access program and strategic plan to help youth nurture a Vision of Success. Introduced and cultivated new partnerships for Communities In Schools including the Triangle Urban League, Shaw University, Richard B. Harrison Public

Library, Public Allies Inc, Strengthening the Black Family, Inc. College Foundation Inc., Futures 4 Kids Inc., UNC Black Law Student Association, and Peace College.

Designed and facilitated "Teen Time"; a teen enrichment program with a focus on communication, character education and public service. Presented program at 2003 NC College Access Conference, Wilmington, NC Managed scholarship program, facilitated after school tutorial, grant writing, and program evaluation.

- **Professional Consultant, HMCUC 2003** (The Historically Minority Colleges and Universities Consortium of North Carolina): an association comprising all thirteen minority Colleges and Universities in NC. Conducted nonprofit status feasibility study; including cost-benefit analysis, presentation to board in an advisory role. Designed eight week summer enrichment camp for African American High School Males For North Carolina Central University, including; personnel, budgets, logistics, fieldtrips, activities, classes, reflection sessions, and evaluation.
- **Community Development Consultant, REAL Enterprises, Inc.** Durham, NC 2001 (Rural Entrepreneurship education through Action Learning)
Created an access database to facilitate relationship growth among African-American organizations in NC. Conducted research and developed an African-American based entrepreneurship education program. Planned Building Bridges Brunch, with over 40 African American organizations to increase collaboration in urban communities.
- **Organizational Consultant, Women's Center Inc.,** Chapel Hill, NC 2001
Conducted four focus groups with minority communities to ascertain public perception from women of color. Analyzed public perception data for consulting team of the School of Government at UNC Chapel Hill, MPA. Provided recommendations to the Women's Center that were incorporated into their long-range strategic plan.
- **Research Assistant, Triangle Urban League Inc.,** Raleigh, NC 2000
Analyzed and presented needs assessment data for Durham, Chapel Hill, and Raleigh North Carolina. Designed a model for computer resource centers for the Minority Achievement program serving Chapel Hill, Durham, and Raleigh students.
- **Assistant Program Director, American Bible Society Inc.,** Daytona Beach/ New York, NY, FL 1998-2000 Assisted in interviewing, hiring, and training, of five collegiate student interns. Designed scheduling for presentations to area Pastors, Bishops, and Clergy. Represented the organization at banquets, church services, and public service events.

LEADERSHIP EXPERIENCE:

Team Leader/ Habitat for Humanity of Wake County and Shaw University
Co-Founder/ President Black Graduate Student Association at the UNC-CH
Help the Homeless Program, Date Rape Prevention Program, Black History Education Pamphlets and, Jazz and Poetry Festival 1998-2001

President/ Vice President- Beta Upsilon chapter of Phi Beta Sigma 1998-2000

AWARDS:

Best Freshman Studies Instructor of the Year, Shaw University 2003

"Sigma Man of the Year," Beta Upsilon Chapter of Phi Beta Sigma Fraternity Inc., 2000

Alpha Chi National Honor Society, 1999

Bryant Gumble Scholar, United Negro College Fund, 1998

Emerging Leaders Honor Society, Bethune-Cookman College, 1996

Selected to North Carolina, "Boys State," by Chapel Hill High School, and the American Legion, 1995

PRESENTATIONS:

Successful Economic Boycotts in the African-American Community: An Analysis of Critical Factors; Using Entrepreneurship to Motivate Black Youth The Pros and Cons of Non-Profit Status; A Critical Analysis of the Rising Unemployment Rate of African American Male Youths age 18-25 from 1960 to 1997; Needs Assessment of Wake County Public Schools System's Drop out Rate 2001-2002; College Access program; Career Resource Centers –Creating a Vision of Success; Teen Time: A Teen Enrichment Program with a focus on Communication Skills, Character Development, and Community Service; Community Service in the African American Community: "letting your light shine"

RESEARCH:

Successful Economic Boycotts in the African-American Community: An Analysis of Critical Factors; Presented at the Practical Research for Public Officials Conference, 2002 University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill NC; Using Entrepreneurship to Motivate Black Youth Presented at the African-American Entrepreneurship Summit, 2001 Auburn University, Auburn AL; The Pros and Cons of Non-Profit Status Presented to the Historically Minority Consortium of Colleges and Universities of North Carolina, 2002 Shaw University, Raleigh NC; A Critical Analysis of the Rising Unemployment Rate of African American Male Youths age 18-25 from 1960 to 1997; Presented at the Summer Pre-Graduate Research Experience, 1999 University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill NC

Teen Time: A Teen Enrichment program with a focus on Communication Skills, Character Development, and Community Service, Presented at 'Piecing it All together' the 2003 College Access Conference, Wilmington NC; The Development of Families and Communities as an Alternative to Youth Gang Violence Presented to the Forbes Foundation for Youth and the Durham Police Department, Durham NC, Realistic Optimism: Shaping the future of Health Service Professionals Duke University/Southern High School Allied Health Career Services; Sowing Your Gifts: An Instructors Guide to Collegiate Orientation Presented at Shaw University, Dr. Thomas J. Boyd, Chapel Hill NC; "The Path to Us Points towards Purpose: NC DPI Community Service Conference Durham, NC