

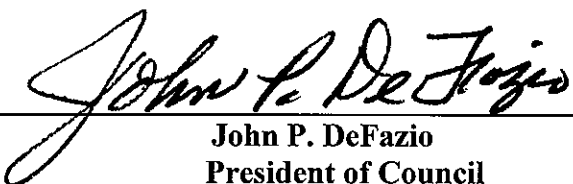
**APPOINTMENT**

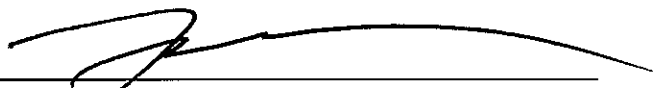
Approving the reappointment of Doris Carson Williams to serve as a member of the Redevelopment Authority of Allegheny County for a term to expire on May 23, 2020.

**SPONSORED BY COUNTY EXECUTIVE FITZGERALD**

In Council July 25, 2016.

Read and approved by Motion of Council.

  
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John P. DeFazio  
President of Council

Attest:   
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Jared Barker  
Chief Clerk  
Allegheny County Council

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RICH FITZGERALD  
COUNTY EXECUTIVE

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January 14, 2016

Honorable President and Members of Council  
Allegheny County Council  
119 Courthouse  
Pittsburgh, PA 15219

Dear Members of Council:

Please find the attached resume of Doris Carson Williams, whom I am recommending for reappointment to the Redevelopment Authority of Allegheny County.

Established by PA Urban Redevelopment Law, Act of May 24, 1945, P.L. 991 Chartered under Commonwealth of PA, February 14, 1950, to implement economic development programs and carry out housing rehabilitation and development. This Authority applies for State and Federal Aid on behalf of a blighted municipality, the Authority buys the land, relocates the inhabitants, clears and improves the land for use or sells the land for private interest to develop in accordance with approval. I am recommending Mrs. Carson-Williams serve another 5-year term to expire on May 23, 2020.

Mrs. Carson-Williams is currently the President of the African American Chamber of Commerce of Western Pennsylvania. She serves on the board of directors of the Federal Reserve Bank of Cleveland.

I appreciate your consideration, and ask you to act on this appointment as quickly as possible. Mrs. Carson-Williams will make herself available for review before the appropriate committee if members of Council wish to speak with her.

Sincerely,

Rich Fitzgerald  
Allegheny County Executive

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## BIOGRAPHICAL SKETCH

**Doris Carson Williams**  
**1429 Pennsylvania Avenue**  
**Pittsburgh, PA 15233**  
**Office: (412) 392-0610**  
**Home: (412) 322-0699**

### EMPLOYMENT:

Sept. 1998 – Present: President, African American Chamber of Commerce of Western Pennsylvania (reports to Chairman of the Board of Directors) grew organization from 28 Members to over 500 since opening and establishing the office.  
See website: [www.aaccwp.com](http://www.aaccwp.com).

Nov. 1987 – 1998 Director, Office of Business Enterprises & Marketing /Museum Special Services Carnegie Museums of Pittsburgh: Museum of Art, Museum of Natural History, The Carnegie Science Center, and The Andy Warhol Museum  
Grew business operations from \$35k to over \$2.8million in annual revenues  
Private Consultant to Small Business (Business Development & Marketing)

1992-1998: Assistant Vice-President, Dollar Bank (Data Processing, Product Development, Planning, Technical Marketing)

1979-1987 Instructor/Computer Science-Community College of Allegheny County North Campus

1979-1988 Senior Marketing Representative-Control Data Corporation

1980-1981

1974-1979

### BOARD OF DIRECTORS:

2015 Governor's Advisory Board- Government Operations

2015 National Association of Chamber of Commerce Executives (three year appt)

2014-Present Federal Reserve Bank of Cleveland: Chairman Pittsburgh Branch

2012-2015 Leadership Pittsburgh, Inc.

2011 Imani Christian Academy; Advisory Board

2009-2012 Federal Reserve Bank Advisory Council for Small Business

2009-2011 Ben Franklin Technology Development Board

2008-2010 Regional Visioning Council for Allegheny Conference on Community & Economic Development

2008-2010 Chairman: NEED Scholarship Organization

2007-2008 Western Pennsylvania School for the Blind

2006-2010 PA Chamber of Business and Industry

2006-2013 Housing Authority City of Pittsburgh; Vice Chairman

2006-2010 August Wilson Center for African American Culture

2006-2008 Regional Water Management Council

2005-2009 Western Pa. School for the Blind

2004-2012 Visit Pittsburgh; elected Chairman March 2009 thru March 2012

2004-Present University of Pittsburgh's Institute of Politics

2004-2010 August Wilson Center for African American Culture

2004-2009 Pa. Workforce Investment Board

2002-2010 Highmark Insurance Group

2002-Present Pittsburgh History & Landmarks Foundation

2002-Present Allegheny County Redevelopment Authority

2002-2014 Pittsburgh Civic Light Opera

2002-2010 Board of Governors: Rivers Club

2001-Present Highmark Foundation; Vice Chair

2001-2004	Chatham College MBA Advisory Council
1999-2010	National Black Chamber of Commerce Board
1999-2008	United Way of Allegheny County
1999-2005	Pittsburgh Partnership for Neighborhood Development
1999-2004	National Kidney Foundation Pittsburgh Chapter
1999-2002	American National Red Cross Member Executive Committee-Vice Chair
1998-2000	Winchester Thurston School
1997 -2004	Treasurer-National Council of Urban League Board Chairs Life Membership Chair- Pittsburgh Branch NAACP
1996-2003	Commissioner - Program to Aid Citizens Enterprise; Chairman-6/98 – 6/01
1996-1999	Commissioner-Pennsylvania Advisory Commission African American
1994-1998	Advisor -University of Pittsburgh, Minority and Women's Purchasing Council Affairs Governor's Appointment
1993-1996	Trustee-National Urban League
1993-1998	University of Pittsburgh, Board of Visitors, School of Nursing
1991-2003	Trustee-La Roche College Committee: Community Relations Chair
1990-1993	Presidential Appointment: U.S. Advisory Council for Small Business
1989-1995	Urban League of Pittsburgh: (First Black Female Board Chair 1990 – 1993)
1989-Present	Western Pennsylvania Caring Foundation
1989-Present	Highmark Corporation Member: Audit Committee Chair: Diversity & Inclusion & Procurement Committee
1989-1993; 1999-2007	Urban League of Pittsburgh: First Female Board Chairman (1990-1994)
1988-1990	Greater Pittsburgh Commission for Women
1987-2010	Manchester Bidwell Corporation; Chair of Nominating Committee
1987-2007	Manchester Bidwell Corporation, Board of Governance
1982-1999	P.B.A. Inc.-The Second Step, Board Chairman 1996-1999

**COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES:**

2006-2010	National City Community Development Association
2004-2010	Pa. Workforce Investment Board; Governor's Appointment
2002	Co-Chair Mayor's Pgh21 Commission (to review revenue & expenditures of city budget and make recommendations for changes).
2002-Present	International Women's Forum
2001-2011	RiverLife
2000-Present	National Association of Corporate Directors
2000-Present	Executive Women's Council
2000-2003	PNC Bank's Urban Advisory Council
1997-1999	YWCA Nominating Committee Member
1999-2007	National Kidney Foundation-Pittsburgh Chapter
1992-2005	Association of Governing Boards of Universities and Colleges
1992-2003	WPTT-Channel Talk Show Panelist; Eddie's Digest
1990-1992	Advisor-Urban Youth Action, Inc.
1988-1994	Pittsburgh Rotary
1988-1989	Commissioner-Greater Pittsburgh Commission for Women
1983-1984	Commissioner-Greater Pittsburgh Commission for Women
1983-1984	Pittsburgh Budget Commission-Mayoral Appointment
1979-1982	Pennsylvania Advisory Board-U.S. Commission on Civil Rights
1978-1986	Governor Appointment: Policy Chairman- Pa. Minority Business Development Authority Policy Chair: 1981-1984
1978-1986	Pennsylvania Minority Business Development Authority (Policy Chairman), Harrisburg, PA- Governor Appointment

## **HONORS AND ACHIEVEMENTS:**

2013 Received National Certification of Chamber of Commerce Executives by the Board of Directors & Certification Commission from the American Chamber of Commerce Executives.

2012 Kappa Alpha Psi-Outstanding Community Leadership

2011 Pioneer Award – Small Seeds Development Organization

2010 Pittsburgh Business Times Top 50 Women in Business

2010 Business Women of the Year: Small Seed Development Corporation

2009 Co-Chairman G20 Pittsburgh Partnership for President Barack O'Bama

2009 Executive Women's Council Women of Achievement Award

2009 Women's Leadership Honoree for the AME Church Conference

2009 Leading Ladies Award – Oakland Catholic High School

2008 50 Women of Excellence by the New Pittsburgh Courier

2008 Guest panelist for University of Pittsburgh with Author Keith Carver: on

2008 Published 10 Year Anniversary; Developing a Network of Relationships

2007 Guest Lecturer: University of Pittsburgh School of Social Work Center on Race and Social Problems

2006 Ford Foundation Regionalism and Sustainable Development Fellowship

2006 Metropolitan's Who's Who Among Professionals Registry

2006 Published in the Pa Commission for Women's "Voices: 50 African American & Latino Women in PA Share their Stories for Success

2005 Manchester's Who's Who Registry

2005 Prestige International Who's Who of Outstanding Professionals

2003 Six Women of Excellence Ministry Fayette County, Pa.

2003 Woman of Spirit by Chatham College

2003 Community Leader of the Year by Junior Achievement

2003 25 Most Influential Women in Business by New York City's Network Journal

2003 Junior Achievement of Southwestern Pa.'s Community Leader of the Year

2003 Business Network Journal Magazine's 25 Influential Black Women in Business

2003 Carlow College Woman of Spirit Award

2002 Renaissance Publication's Trailblazer in Economic Development

2002 SBA's Small Business Advocate of the Year/Western Region

2001 YWCA Woman of the Year in Business and Industry

2000 Susan B. Anthony Award from Executive Women's Council

1999 Omega Psi Phi Fraternity, Inc. Citizen of the Year

1998 Hand in Hand, Inc. Community Service Award

1997 WHO'S WHO Registry

1997 WHO'S WHO International Registry of Professionals

1996 Guest Speaker - Women Business Owners of Western Pennsylvania

1995 Westinghouse High School Hall of Fame

1995 Western Pa. Black Women's Political Caucus

1994 WHO'S WHO Worldwide

1994 WHO'S WHO Registry

1993 Guest Speaker - Black History Month - 157th Separate Infantry Brigade (Mechanized), U.S. Army Corp of Engineers

1993,1987,1988,1986 Who's Who among Women in Politics

1992 IOTA Phi Lambda - Business Woman of the Year Award

1992 Abraham Twerski Award - Drug & Alcohol Volunteer

1992 Guest Speaker - Hill House Association Recognition of National Volunteer Month

1991 Featured and Award Recipient - WPTT Channel 22 Black History Month

1990	Presidential Appointment-U.S. Advisory Council for Small Business Administration
1989	Guest Speaker-Renaissance II Magazine
1987	Listed in publication: "498 Hardworking Women in Pennsylvania"
1987	Pennsylvania Public Service Award-Governor Casey
1986	Guest Speaker-PA. Small Business Partners in Pennsylvania Convention
1986-1996	Who's Who Among Women in Politics
1986-1994	Who's Who Among Women in America
1985	Woman of the Year in Business" - Poise Foundation
1982, 1984, 1985, 1987	Outstanding Women of America

**EDUCATION:**

1998	University of Pittsburgh	Graduate - The Joseph M. Katz Graduate School of Business; Management Program for Executives
1983	Fairfield University	Degree -Graduate School of Banking & Financial Management
1981	IBM System Science Institute	Information Systems Training
1980	University of Michigan	Management of Managers Program
1972	University of Hartford	Degree -Business/Certificate-Data Processing



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February 5, 2016

Ms. Doris Carson Williams  
1429 Pennsylvania Avenue  
Pittsburgh, PA 15233

Dear Ms. Williams:

This is to inform you that at the Regular Meeting of Allegheny County Council held on February 2, 2016 Council approved your reappointment to serve as a member of the Redevelopment Authority of Allegheny County for a term to expire on May 23, 2020.

Congratulations on your reappointment and best of luck in this undertaking. We look forward to receiving your recommendations and stand willing to assist you in any way you believe appropriate.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Edward J. Kress".

Edward J. Kress, Appointment Review Committee Chair  
Allegheny County Council

cc: Bob Hurley, Director, Allegheny County Department of Economic Development

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