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A LETTER FROM THE PUBLISHER

We thank you for joining us for the November 2020 issue of *SPMG Media PEOPLE Magazine*.

We are in a tumultuous Presidential election season, along with a pandemic and more! Several ‘October surprises’ have taken the electorate for a loop, but we’ve seen this before and honestly are not sure how things will fall out. What we DO know is there are individuals making a powerful name for themselves during this unrepresented time.

Senator Kamala Harris joins Former Vice President Joe Biden for the 2020 Presidential Election. We take a look at Harris and how she has risen to rock star status in the Democratic Party. We held the issue because of the climactic end. Congratulations President –Elect Biden!

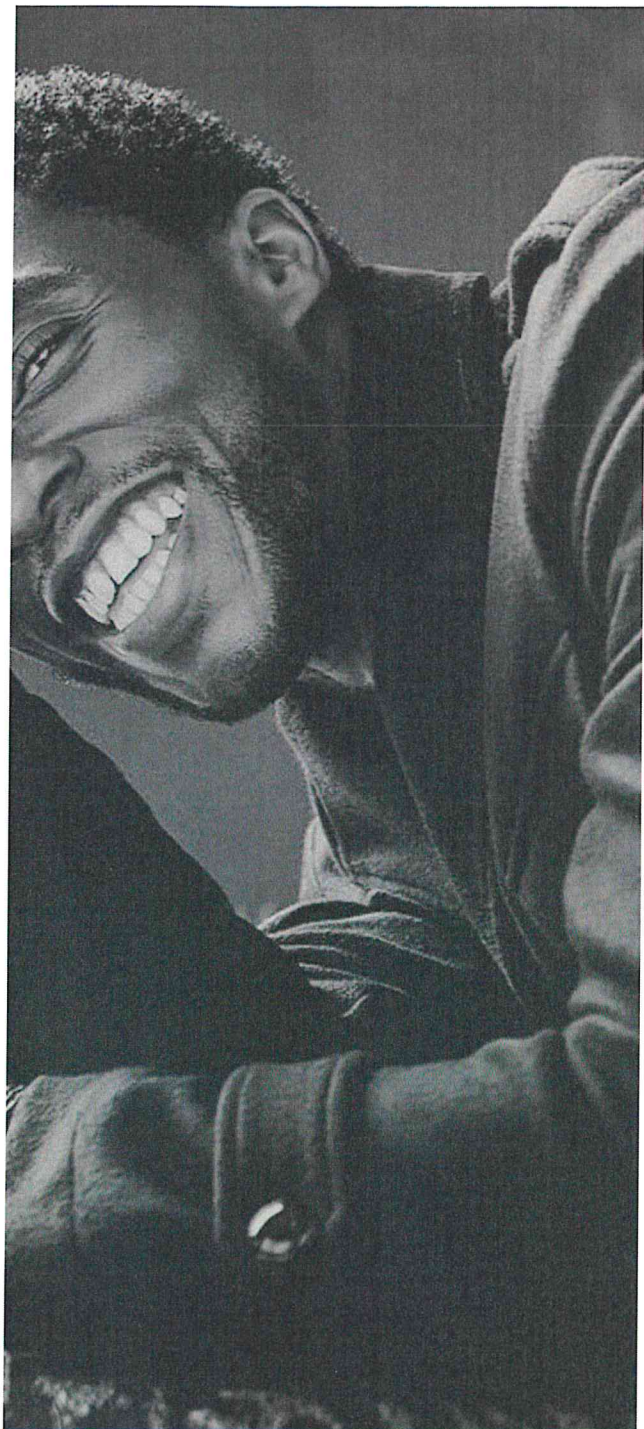
We profile Congressional Representative Maxine Waters, AKA Auntie Maxine, as she seeks another term in office. She cares about her constituents but is being challenged by GOP Joe E. Collins III. Who is aggressively seeking her seat.

Lastly, we meet Former MLB Player Bo Porter, whose career in retirement has brought him to launch CORE Magazine.

So much in this issue! But we trust you’ll be inspired, informed and you’ll enjoy!

All the best!

Gina Johnson Smith, Publisher



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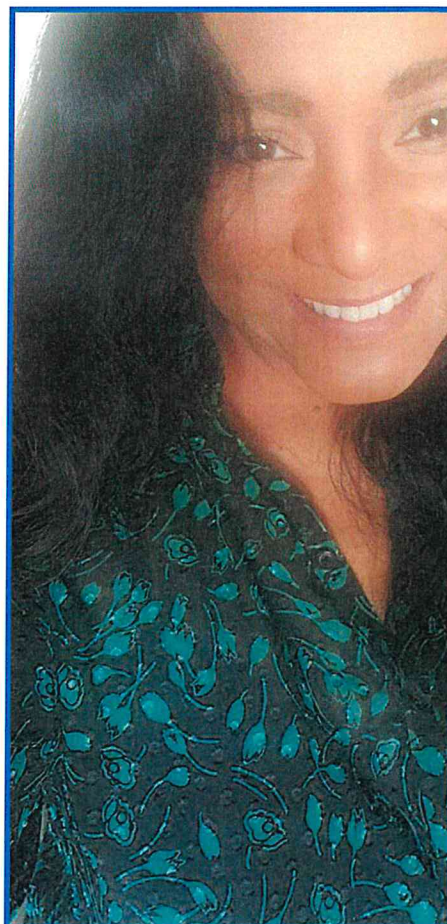
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Vice President—Elect Kamala Harris

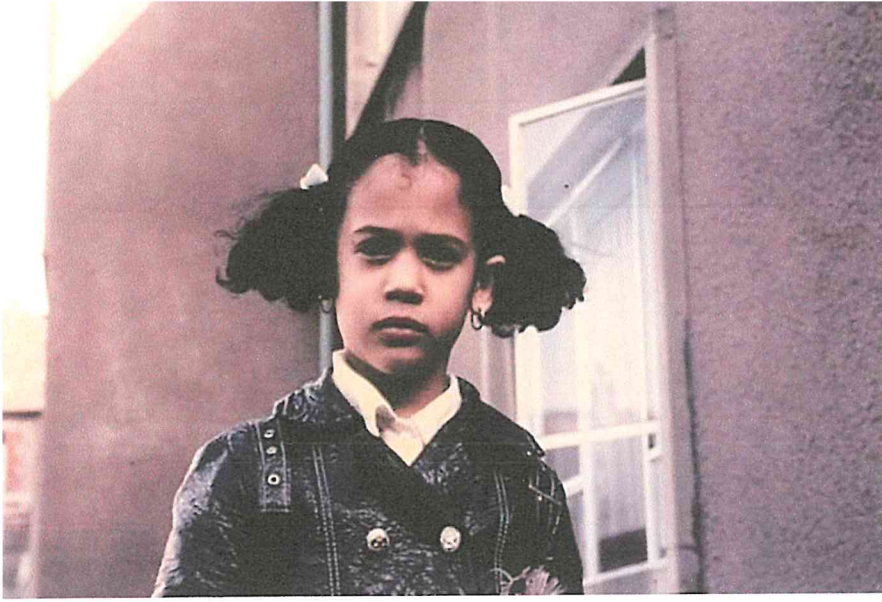
Shari Miller | Staff Writer

Sen. Kamala Harris has been chosen to run on the Democratic ticket with presumptive nominee Joe Biden. The two, who had once been rivals earlier in running for the nomination, will now join forces to take on President Donald Trump in December.

But Harris has a long political history beginning in California and has spent decades climbing the public service ladder of success starting from her days as District Attorney in San Francisco to eventually becoming a United States Senator. If their ticket wins, Biden's choice in her will place Harris one step away from being in the most powerful office in the world. Here are five things to know about the new vice presidential nominee.

**SHE'S THE FIRST AFRICAN AMERICAN AND
THE FIRST INDIAN-AMERICAN WOMAN TO
RUN FOR VP ON A MAJOR PARTY TICKET**

Harris was born in 1964 to a father of Jamaican heritage, Donald Harris and a mother who was born in India, Shyamala Gopalan, who met while attending the University of California Berkeley as graduate students. She has touted both her Black and Indian heritage, telling the Los Angeles Times that she and her sister Maya grew up attending both a Baptist church and a Hindu temple.



SHE HAS BECOME A MAJOR VOICE OPPOSING THE TRUMP ADMINISTRATION

Harris was elected to the U.S. Senate in 2016. Almost immediately, she became a vocal opponent to President Trump's policies. She was among the first to call out what was called Trump's "Muslim Ban" when he signed an executive order barring citizens of Muslim majority nations. During senate sessions she has spent many hours grilling Trump appointees including former Attorney General Jeff Sessions, Supreme Court Justice Brett Kavanaugh and CIA Director Gina Haspel. She also held Trump responsible for showing leadership during the coronavirus pandemic.

"The buck stops with him. You know, here's the thing, this is a moment of international crisis," Harris said on ABC's 'The View' "And this is where leaders must lead."

SHE HAS PUBLISHED THREE BOOKS

Harris published her memoir entitled, "The Truths We Hold: An American Journey" in 2019, which became a New York Times bestseller. The book told her story of being the daughter of immigrant parents and rising to become U.S. Senator. While serving as San Francisco District Attorney, she also published "Smart On Crime: A Career Prosecutor's Plan to Make Us Safer," which outlined her theories on criminal justice reform.

She also authored a children's book, "Superheroes Are Everywhere." The pictorial book illustrates to kids how they can find people to depend on, and how they can be superheroes themselves.



SHE IS AN HBCU GRADUATE

Harris graduated from Howard University in 1986. While there, she was first exposed to the global activist stage when she was among the many students who demonstrated in front of the South African embassy in Washington D.C. against apartheid, according to The Washington Post. Years later at Howard's 2017 commencement, she issued a challenge to the emerging graduates saying, "You can march for Black lives on the street, and you can ensure law enforcement accountability by serving as a prosecutor or on a police commission. The reality is on most matters, somebody is going to make the decision -- so why not let it be you?"

SHE STARTED OUT AS A PROSECUTOR

Before she became a U.S. Senator, Kamala Harris worked her way up the state's prosecutorial system, first working as a deputy district attorney in Alameda County where she specialized in prosecuting child sexual assault cases. She became San Francisco District Attorney in 2004 where she raised the felony conviction rates from just over 50 percent when she took office to 76 percent in 2009. Harris was also a staunch opponent of the death penalty, even when called to seek it when a San Francisco policeman was killed in the line of duty.

She eventually became California Attorney General where she started agencies like the Bureau of Children's Justice, and introduced implicit bias training for police after a rash of police shootings swept across the nation.



and Atlanta have used Back on Track as a template for their own programs.

The Kamala - Doug Love Story

But before they were a couple, Emhoff was unsure Harris would even call him back, the senator recalls in her 2019 memoir, "The Truths We Hold." In 2013, Harris's best friend, Chrisette Hudlin, met Emhoff at a business meeting they had along with her husband — Reginald Hudlin, director of "Boomerang" and producer of "Django Unchained." Emhoff is an entertainment attorney who once represented the ad agency that created the Taco Bell Chihuahua.

Chrisette decided to set him up with Harris — she gave him her number and told her not to Google him: "Don't overthink it," Harris recalls Hudlin telling her. "Just meet him."

Recidivism and re-entry initiative as California District Attorney

In 2004, Harris recruited civil rights activist Lateefah Simon to create San Francisco Reentry Division. The flagship program was the Back on Track initiative, a first-of-its-kind reentry program for first-time nonviolent offenders age 18–30. Initiative participants whose crimes were not weapon or gang-related would plead guilty in exchange for a deferral of sentencing and regular appearances before a judge over a twelve- to eighteen-month period. The program maintained rigorous graduation requirements, mandating completion of up to 220 hours of community service, obtaining a high-school-equivalency diploma, maintaining steady employment, taking parenting classes, and passing drug tests.

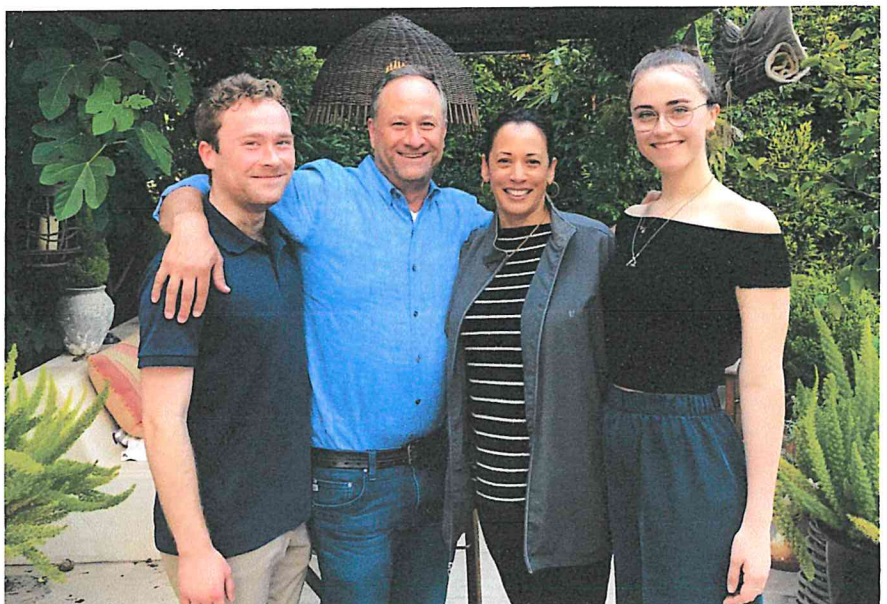
At graduation, the court would dismiss the case and expunge the graduate's record. Over six years, the 200 people graduated from the program had a recidivism rate of less than ten percent, compared to the 53 percent of California's drug offenders who returned to prison within two years of release. Back on Track earned recognition from the U.S. Department of Justice as a model for reentry programs. The DOJ found that the cost to the taxpayers per participant was markedly lower (\$5,000) than the cost of adjudicating a case (\$10,000) and housing a low-level offender (\$50,000). In 2009, a state law (the Back on Track Reentry Act, A.B. 750) was enacted, encouraging other California counties to start similar programs.

Adopted by the National District Attorneys Association as a model, prosecutor offices in Baltimore, Philadelphia,

Emhoff texted Harris from a Lakers game one evening and then called her the next morning and left a long voice mail. "He thought his voicemail had been disastrous and that he'd likely never hear from me again," Harris writes. "He had to restrain himself from calling again and leaving another long-winded message trying to explain the first one."

Don't worry — he didn't.

Harris was intrigued. When she called him back, they talked for an hour, a light and jovial conversation that had her "genuinely excited." The morning after their first date, Emhoff emailed her with his availability for another. "I'm too old to play games or hide the ball," the email read. "I really like you, and I want to see if we can make this work."





Harris writes that she would join Kerstin Emhoff, Doug’s ex-wife, in cheering on Ella at her swim meets and basketball games. “We sometimes joke that our modern family is almost a little too functional,” Harris says

After her 2016 election to the Senate, Emhoff started splitting his time between Washington and Los Angeles. One of Harris’s colleagues, Sen. Maggie Hassan (D-N.H.) recalled this week that, as Harris took office, “the sheer delight they had in each other’s presence was really fun to see.”

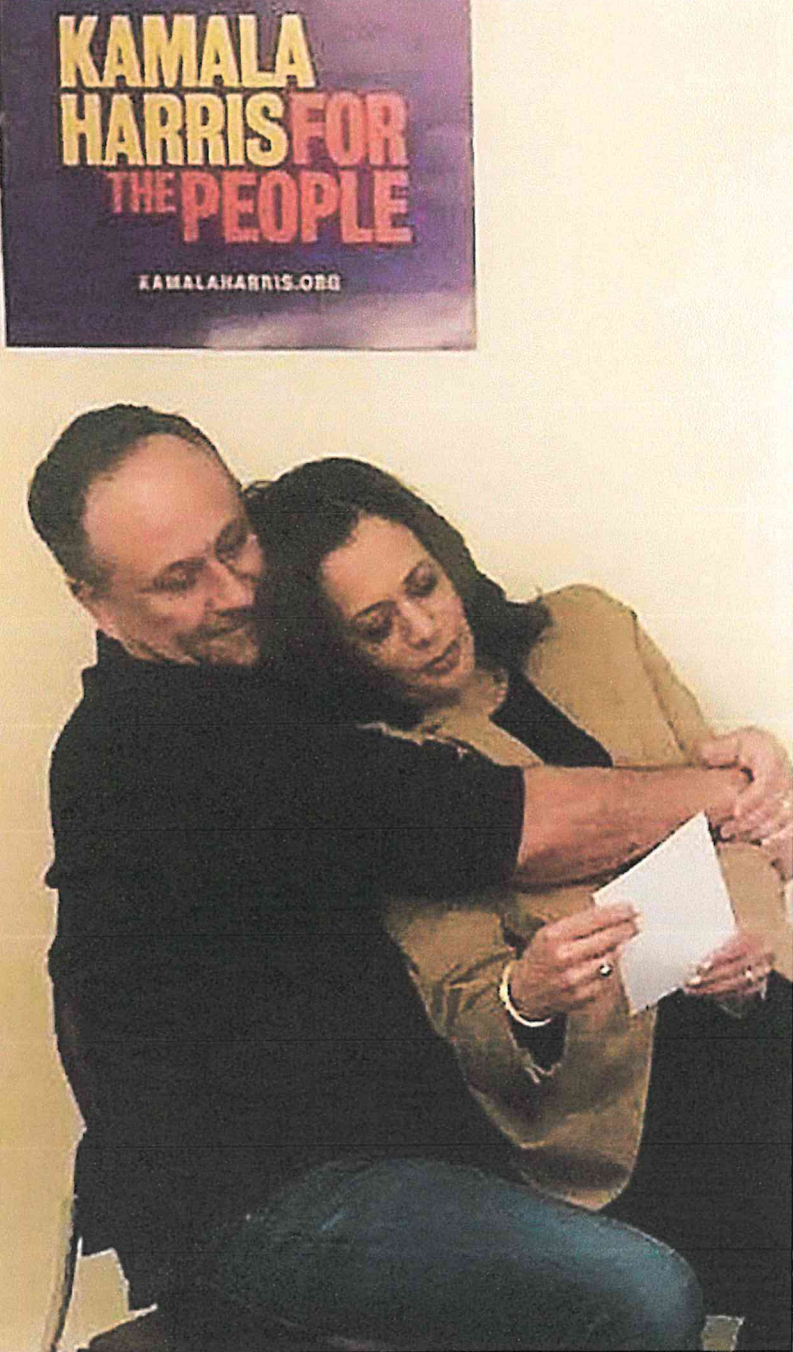
If Biden and Harris are elected, Emhoff will probably take on specific issues — but he completely gets that he has to be there to take the weight of the day and make it go away for Kamala. That’s a really big service when you’re the husband of the vice president of the United States. That’s a job in and

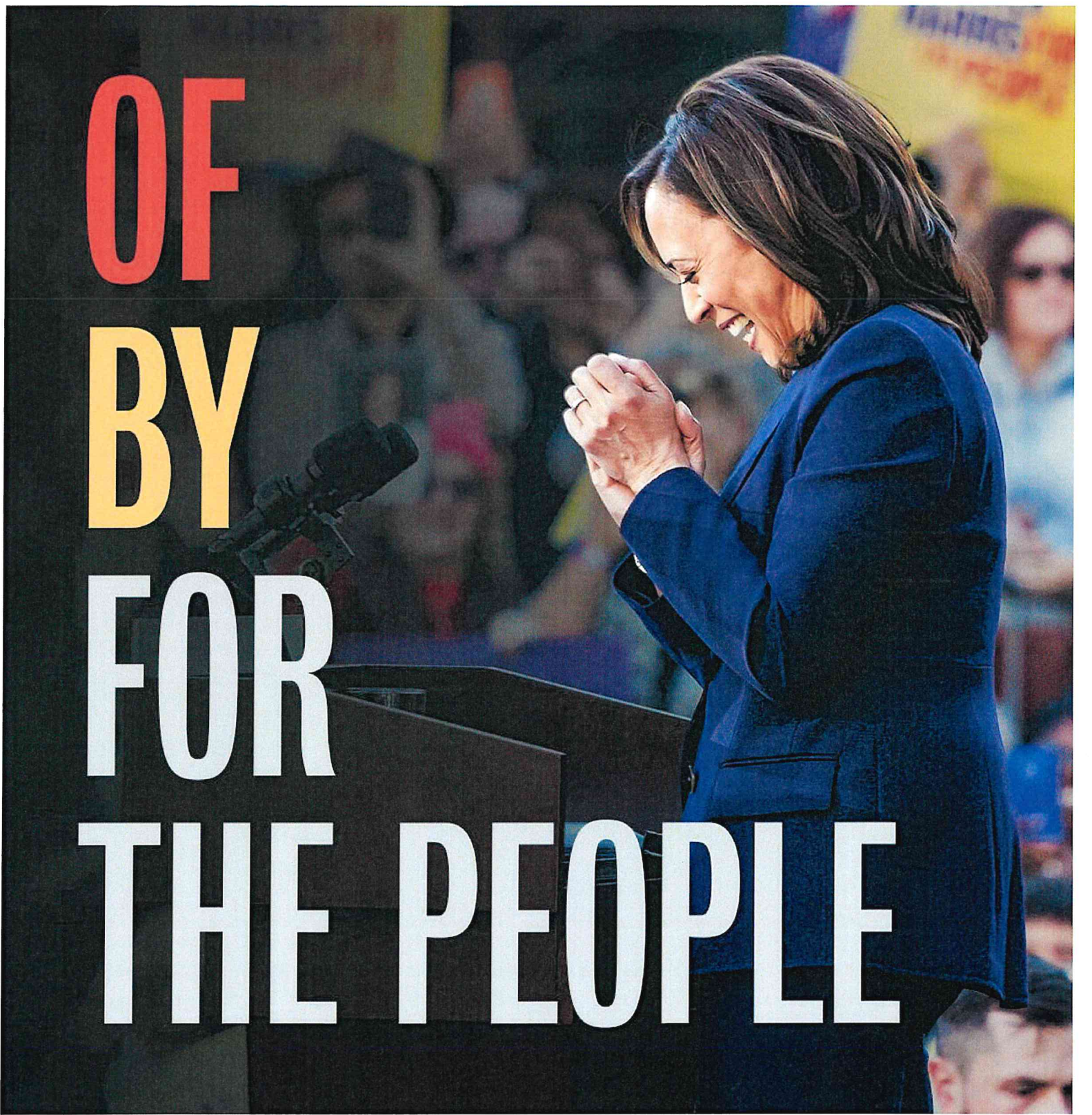
After their second date, Emhoff was ready for Harris to meet his children — Cole, who was then in high school, and Ella, a middle-schooler — but Harris wanted to wait. “As a child of divorce, I knew how hard it can be when your parents start to date other people,” she writes in her memoir. Two months in, that meeting happened at a casual seafood spot in Malibu, the Reel Inn. On the drive there, Harris bonded with the kids over a shared love of jazz-soul legend Roy Ayers, the four of them all singing along with the windows rolled down. After dinner, the kids took Harris to an art show at Cole’s school. As Harris writes in an essay for Elle magazine, “I was already hooked on Doug, but I believe it was Cole and Ella who reeled me in.”

As a single politician in her 40s — first as San Francisco’s district attorney, then as the state’s attorney general — Harris tried to keep her dating life separate from her career. “I knew that if I brought a man with me to an event, people would immediately start to speculate about our relationship,” she writes. She and Emhoff dated for six months before she invited him to a work function, a speech she gave about truancy.

In March 2014, Emhoff had planned to propose while they were on vacation in Florence, but he popped the question while she was hurriedly packing and they were discussing what kind of takeout to order. When she realized Emhoff’s “I want to spend my life with you” wasn’t just a sweet comment but a prelude to a marriage proposal, Harris burst into tears. “These were not graceful Hollywood tears streaming down a glistening cheek,” Harris writes. “No, I’m talking about snorting and grunting, with mascara smudging my face.”

They were married in a small ceremony at the Santa Barbara courthouse in August 2014. The term “stepmom” never fit, so she and the kids decided she would be “Momala.”





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MICAH BENNETT HUDSON VALLEY CONCIERGE SERVICE

Hudson Valley Concierge Service offers personalized valuable support for individuals with busy schedules. Business has surged during the pandemic, as individuals seek assistance dealing with a variety of duties. Reliable concierge services can range from picking up groceries for a new mom or senior citizen, to delivering lunch for a company whose employees are engaged in an all-day meeting, to being an extra set of hands during a busy time for a growing small business.

In this issue we talk with Micah Bennett, owner of *Hudson Valley Concierge Service* as he shares his-story.

Micah Bennett, you own Hudson Valley Concierge Service in Poughkeepsie, NY, what was your motivation or vision behind starting your business?

In 2011 I went on a family vacation to Florida with my family. And I noticed that there was many hotels up for sale and I wondered how much it cost to own one. I learned I needed at least \$1 million but didn't have that so I decided to go work for one. Marriott residence Inn Poughkeepsie that's where I had hospital-ity experience and further my interest in owning my own hotel. When I graduated from Marist I needed to make something happens for myself, so I turned down an accounting position for Ross Stores right out of Marist because the position wasn't aligned with where I wanted to go or what I wanted to do. HV Concierge was created working through working with people in my community (seniors, busy mothers and family's that needed assistance).

What type of services do you provide for people in Dutchess County?

We offer delivery transportation and personal services. We service Orange, Ulster and Dutchess County as the home base, but we do go outside the territory.

When it comes to providing the services, what drives you? No pun intended.

What drives me is knowing that I made a difference in someone's life through the services we provide and the ability to create relationships along the way. When someone can rely on you, that is huge especially when you're not family. I love putting people first. I grew up in a 7th day Adventist home and I was taught to love one another and that's what I'm going to do!

When it comes to providing the services that you have could let our audience know what drives you? No pun intended. What drives me is knowing that I made a difference in someone's life.



During this pandemic, a lot has changed regarding how we interact with individuals. Your business tends to be an essential service for many. How has the pandemic changed how your interaction with your customers?

The pandemic gave us a opportunity to show our customers who we really are. Literally delivering food to those who needed, providing transportation to those who couldn't afford it. Why? Because we had resources available to us that others didn't. Even though we had clients that paid for their services, we still were able to service people that couldn't. Fortunately those people used the service appropriately and didn't abuse the service. Especially in this day in age ,someone is always trying to get over on someone and I was glad that people were mindful so we could stretch our support to to help many individuals.

What was the most difficult time when starting the business and the most rewarding time being an entrepreneur?

Most difficult time was when there was no one to tell me about the types of changes that could be a detriment to the business. For example, understanding cash flow. We hear about that in theory, but if you don't have someone in your corner like a good accountant you could run into serious challenges. (mine is Freedom Financial Solutions-Kenn and Gina Mann) My accountant helped me stay in the black and helped me understand financially how to run a business. The most rewarding time is right now because people are seeing the value of what we do and its making a impact.

We have noticed that you were recognized for being the 'Best of Hudson Valley® winner for Best Car/Limo Service Hudson Valley Concierge Service', how does that feel?

A really awesome feeling. To be recognized for the work my team puts in day in and day out. Mind you people could have voted for anyone but they voted for us. That tells me we have what it takes and they love what we do and now lets give it to them!!!

We have also noticed that you take part in your community. What type of involvement do you have in the community? How does your business give back and why is this important to you?

Yes, I am on the board for *Community Matters 2* as the Communication Director. I've always wanted to have my own non-profit to give back to families and help the less fortunate. I have met the amazing brother L'quette Taylor, leading inspiration behind cm2. His vision is to up lift our community with the support of our own. But in order to do that we must be educated and be prepared. In doing so I loved his message and I wanted to be aligned with a organization that meets my passion to help others. With his organization up and running and making headway, I decided why not work with L'quette to push cm2 and at the same time add my touch to what I would like to see in our community

Outside of running your business what does Micah Bennett find rewarding?

Family, friends and God. I love reading, learning new things meeting new people. I love to be inspired I love to be around good energy things that make me smile!

Though we are in uncertain times, where could you see Hudson Valley Concierge Service being in the next three years?

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The Southwest Airlines logo, featuring the word "Southwest" in a blue sans-serif font followed by a stylized heart icon composed of red, yellow, and blue segments. To the right of the logo, the tail fin of a Southwest Airlines aircraft is visible, also featuring the red, yellow, and blue color scheme. The background is a high-angle aerial view of a city and a large body of water.

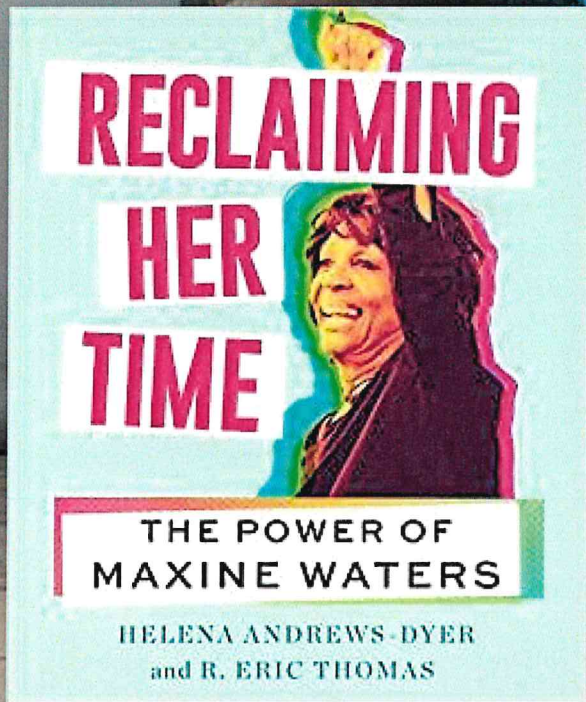
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US Representative

Maxine Waters



By Helena Andrews-Dyer with R. Eric Thomas

“Let me just say this: I’m a strong black woman, and I cannot be intimidated. I cannot be undermined.”—Maxine Waters

Like all great mother figures, the tireless congresswoman from California can do anything. She inspires and regulates. She launches legislation and memes. And she does this at 82, somehow walking the line between the relatable and the supernatural.

It’s that power that inspired my book with R. Eric Thomas, *Reclaiming Her Time*. Waters reminds me so much of my grandmother, Frenchie Mae Andrews, who was whip smart and suffered not one fool, a tiny lion with a shot glass personality. Waters often describes her own mother, Velma Lee, as a survivor, a woman with a sixth-grade education who had no filter and taught her 13 children to fend for themselves.

Featuring inspiring highlights from her personal life and political career, beloved memes, and testimonies from her many friends and fans, *Reclaiming Her Time* is a funny, warm, and admiring portrait of a champion who refuses to stay silent in the face of corruption and injustice; a powerful woman who is an inspiration to us all.

To millions nationwide, Congresswoman Maxine Waters is a hero of the resistance and an icon, serving eye rolls, withering looks, and sharp retorts to any who dare waste her time on nonsense. But behind the Auntie Maxine meme is a seasoned public servant and she’s not here to play.

Throughout her forty years in public service and eighty years on earth, U.S. Representative for California’s 43rd district has been a role model, a crusader for justice, a game-changer, a trailblazer, and an advocate for the marginalized who has long defied her critics, including her most vocal detractor, Donald J. Trump. And she’s just getting started.

From her anti-apartheid work and support of affirmative action to her passionate opposition to the Iraq War and calls to hold Trump to account, you can count on Auntie Maxine to speak truth to power and do it with grace and, sometimes, sass. As ranking member of the House Financial Services Committee and one of the most powerful black women in America, she is the strong, ethical voice the country has always needed, especially right now.

Reclaiming Her Time pays tribute to all things Maxine Waters, from growing up in St. Louis “too skinny” and “too black,” to taking on Wall Street during the financial crisis and coming out on top in her legendary show-downs with Trump and his cronies. Featuring inspiring highlights from her personal life and political career, beloved memes, and testimonies from her many friends and fans, *Reclaiming Her Time* is a funny, warm, and admiring portrait of a champion who refuses to stay silent in the face of corruption and injustice; a powerful woman who is an inspiration to us all.

A portrait of Paula Jean Swearingin, a woman with shoulder-length brown hair, wearing black-rimmed glasses, large hoop earrings, and a grey blazer over a red top. She is looking slightly to the right of the camera with a neutral expression. The background is a dark, textured grey.

Who is...

Paula

Swearingin

U.S. Senate

Candidate

She's a 43-year-old single mom. She's a Wyoming County native. She's a Democratic candidate for the U.S. Senate seat currently held by Joe Manchin.

Paula Jean Swearingin is a long shot.

She knows that.

But she believes West Virginia deserves better. And she believes she's got what it takes to turn things around.

“If we elect the right people, there’s a possibility of change.” - Paula Swearengin



While Manchin is more moderate in his politics, Swearengin considers herself more progressive.

“I hate the dividing labels — conservative, liberal. I identify as a progressive because I want progress.”

Born in Mullens, Swearengin is the daughter and granddaughter of coal miners. Before her run for office, she was an accounting clerk for a small business.

“I’m a single, poor, coal miner’s daughter just trying to live day to day.”

But as Swearengin raised her four sons, she saw the opportunities dwindling. She saw companies taking advantage of the state’s people. She saw family members die from occupational and environmental hazards.

“I felt like we had to do something to bring change to our state, to bring the power back to our state. If we don’t, our children aren’t going to have anything here.”

First, she started advocating for clean air, clean water and more jobs. She started lobbying and attending rallies. She’s spoken all over the country, even at the United Nations, trying to bring change to West Virginia.

She decided she wanted to run for office — to fight from the nation’s capital — where she believes politicians have been bought out for far too long.

“When you see who is funding somebody as a candidate, if Big Pharma is funding their campaign, more than likely, that’s who they’re going to serve.”

She pointed a finger at Manchin, as well as two of the Republican candidates running for the U.S. Senate seat — Evan Jenkins, currently a U.S. representative, and Patrick Morrissey, currently West Virginia Attorney General.

“They’re funded by Big Pharma and industry. We deserve clean water, clean air, and for sewage to quit running through our creeks. We have the right to the American Dream and a living wage. But none of that will happen when they’re only serving the wealthiest in the country and state. The working class deserves working class representation.”

She says her campaign has been funded solely by individuals. Her campaign account has a balance of roughly \$300,000, and the average donation has been \$15.

“The people have funded my campaign. It’s funded by individuals. When I go to D.C., I owe nobody but the people.”

A portrait of Cori Bush, a Black woman with long braids, smiling and wearing a black blazer over a white shirt. The background is a textured blue and grey.

Cori Bush becomes Missouri's first Black congresswoman

Cori Bush has been elected to Missouri's 1st Congressional District, making her the first Black Congresswoman in the history of Missouri.

At the time the race was called by NBC News, Bush — a Democrat — was leading Republican candidate Anthony Rogers with 78.9 percent of the vote. Missouri's 1st district includes St. Louis and usually leans blue.

On Tuesday morning, Bush cast her vote while wearing a mask with "Breonna Taylor" printed on it. A vocal supporter of the Black Lives Matter movement, Bush became politically active in 2014 protesting the police killing of Michael Brown in Ferguson, Missouri. "Mike Brown was murdered 2,278 days ago," Bush

wrote on Twitter. "We took to the streets for more than 400 days in protest. Today, we take this fight for Black Lives from the streets of Ferguson to the halls of Congress. We will get justice."

Her journey to Congress was captured for the Netflix documentary "*Knock Down The House*," which premiered at Sundance in 2019.

Bush's platform includes Medicare for all, \$15 federal minimum wage and the previously mentioned criminal justice reform. Bush continued on Twitter detailing what this win means for her and many more. "I will be the first woman to represent Missouri's First District in its 173 year history. We have seen a 74 percent increase in women voters here since 2016. Representation matters. A system that works for everyone matters," Bush wrote.

“The First.”



Being a registered nurse herself, Bush also pointed to the bravery of essential workers during the COVID-19 pandemic. “I am the first nurse going to Congress from Missouri – in the middle of a pandemic. Nurses all across the country have risked their lives to save others,” Bush tweeted. “Working class people need representatives who look like them and who have experienced their struggles. I am that champion.”

“Knock Down the House” followed the 2018 primary campaigns of four female and progressive candidates including Bush, Alexandria Ocasio-Cortez, Paula Jean Swearngin and Amy Vilela.

In Variety’s review of the documentary, Amy Nicholson wrote: “‘Knock Down the House’ has a clear political agenda. It wants to promote the hard

work, courage and progressive policies of these women, who have all experienced financial hardship. Still, the film lets its subjects do the talking instead of cluttering things with statistics. The approach allows the women’s messages to take centerstage and show their determination.”

Ocasio-Cortez also won re-election to the House of Representatives on Tuesday night for New York’s 14th Congressional District. She earned 68.7% of the vote against Republican John Cummings.

In a picture posted to Twitter, Bush posed beneath a painting of Shirley Chisholm, the first Black woman elected to the United States Congress, with a finger raised. Her caption was simple: “The First.”

Congratulations!



The Devastating Power of Katie Porter's Whiteboard

The California congresswoman used the old-school device to win free Covid-19 testing for Americans and she's not done yet.

If I were a powerful man caught in a political bind, my dreams would be filled with images of Representative Katie Porter, chasing me around Capitol Hill with a whiteboard.

The freshman congresswoman's questioning device has become so notorious, the whiteboard has earned itself a nickname: "the mighty whiteboard of truth".

Porter's prop first became ubiquitous when she used it to win free coronavirus testing for all Americans, regardless of whether they have health insurance. More recently, Porter gained big praise after whip-

ping out the whiteboard again, to give a pharmaceutical executive a dressing down for suspected price gouging. Here's why the device is so effective.

She does the math

In a time when the country's highest elected official acts as if it's OK to just point-blank lie about numbers, it's nice to see them written down where they can speak for themselves.

Just take these two very different prices for the same drug in different years – \$215 in 2005 and and \$764 in 2020. That sort of price change speaks volumes, but her line helps: "The drug didn't get any better. The cancer patients didn't get any better. You just got better at making money."

They don't know the math

One thing Porter's whiteboard consistently reveals is how little high-up officials know about the basic numbers that concern people's lives.

Just take the head of the CDC, Robert Redfield, who didn't know how much it cost someone without insurance to get tested for the coronavirus, just as the pandemic was resulting in shutdowns across the country. Once they get the numbers wrong, it's all downhill from there.

You can't stop looking at the math

Mark Alles' \$13m bonus during the time that his company tripled the price of cancer drugs is a good example. As is the very precise calculation that Porter follows up with – of exactly how much the CEO personally benefited from the price hike (to the tune of \$500,000).

But it's not just the math

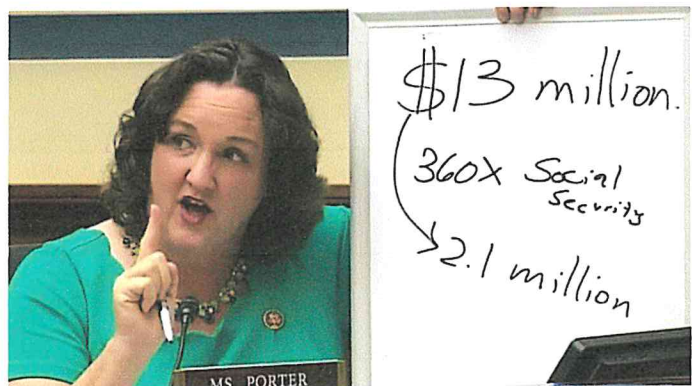
Even via Zoom you can see Porter's subjects shaking in their seats as she questions them.

In part this is because Porter's questioning gets to the point quickly. "Do you want to know who has the virus and who doesn't? And not just rich people?" she asks the CDC's Redfield about the virus, before she secures the big win.

But it's the no-nonsense approach that makes it so satisfying to watch. Porter refuses to waste time on obfuscations (I too one day hope to interject "reclaiming my time" before being forced to listen to oncoming garble) and refuses to take mealy-mouthed answers ("Nope, not good enough," she

repeatedly responds to Redfield when he won't make a commitment to coronavirus testing).

Katherine Moore Porter (born January 3, 1974) is an American law professor, attorney, and politician serving as the U.S. Representative for California's



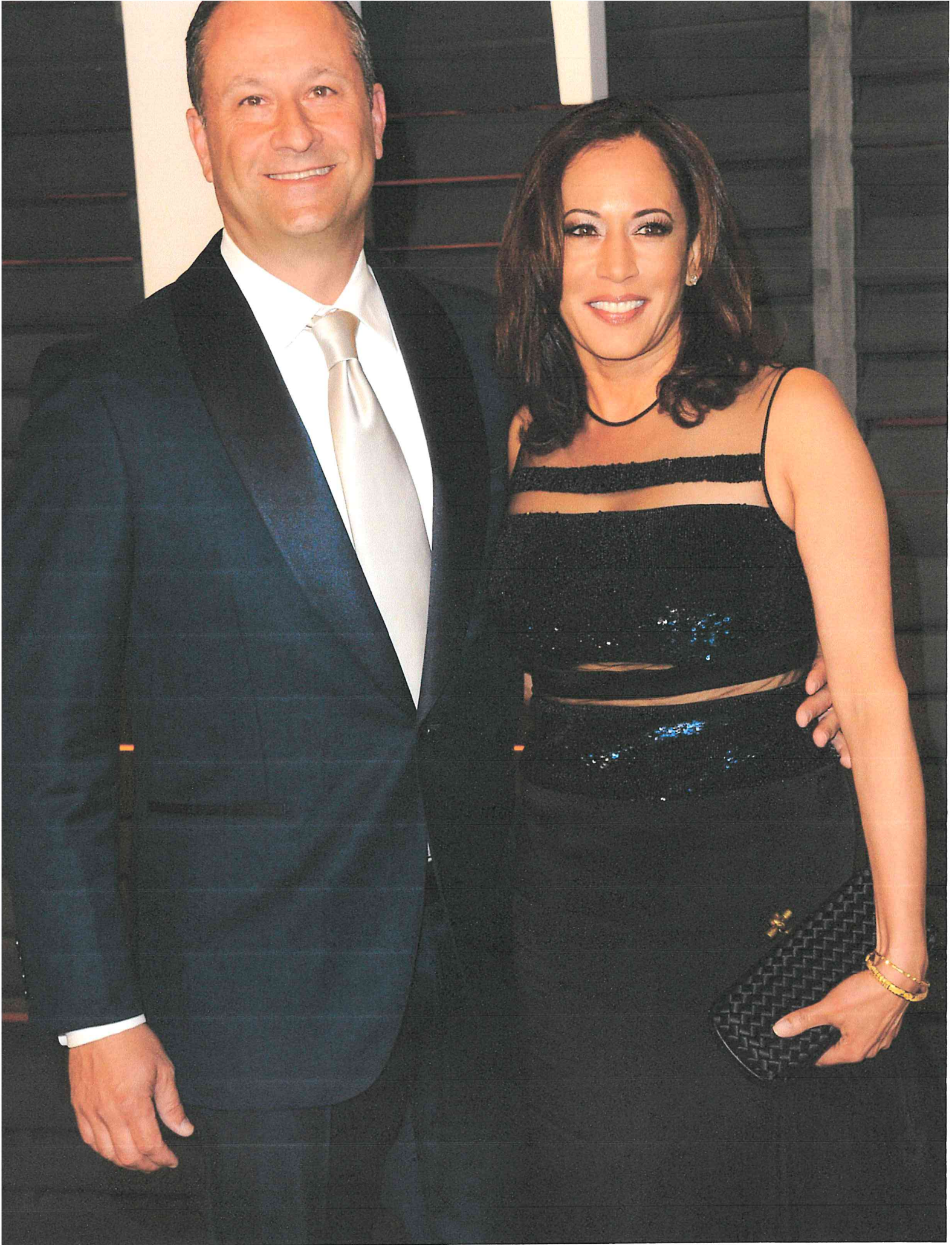
45th congressional district since 2019. A member of the Democratic Party, she is the first Democrat to be elected to represent the district, which covers much of south-central Orange County, including Irvine, Tustin and Lake Forest along with large slices of Anaheim and Laguna Niguel. Porter attended Yale University for college and Harvard University for law school; she most recently taught at the University of California, Irvine School of Law.

First-term Democratic Rep. Katie Porter projected to keep her seat in California's 45th Congressional District.

The district is located in Orange County in the southern region of the state and includes the cities of Irvine, Laguna Hills, Lake Forest, North Tustin, and Villa Park.

Porter is the first Democrat to ever represent the state's 45th Congressional District.





Attorney Douglass Emhoff

The First 'Second Gentleman' of the United States

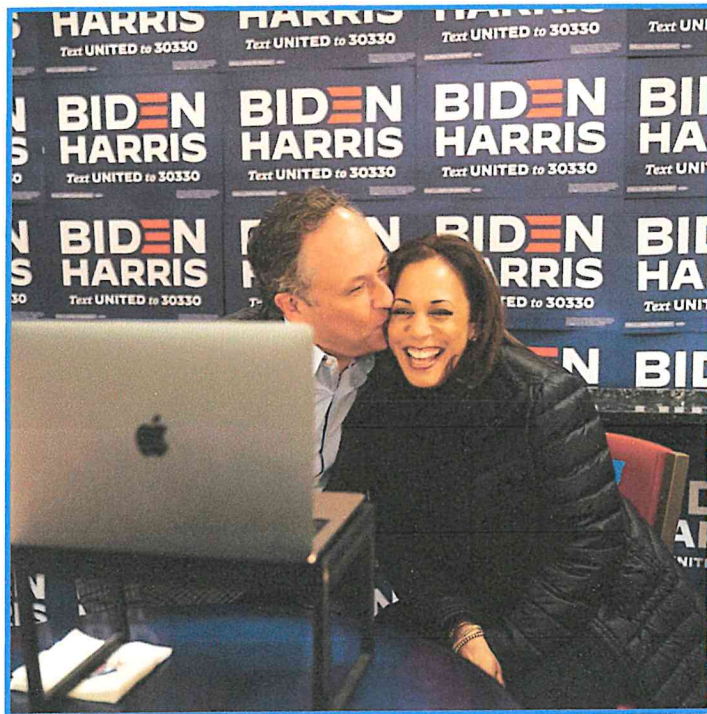
Douglas Emhoff is a highly experienced American litigator and strategic advisor. He is the husband of attorney and Vice President-Elect Kamala Harris, the former Attorney General of California and running mate of President-Elect Joe Biden. He has been working in the law field for over 25 years, starting with law firms like Bingham McCutchen LLP and Pillsbury Winthrop Shaw Pittman LLP. He later became partner at Belin Rawlings & Badal and Whitwell Jacoby Emhoff LLP, and served as the Managing Director of Venable LLP for over a decade. He is currently a media, entertainment and intellectual property partner at DLA Piper, one of the largest and most prestigious global law firms, in their Century City, Washington D.C. office. His swearing in ceremony for the Washington D.C. bar was in March 2017.

The announcement that California Sen. Kamala Harris is Joe Biden's running mate for the 2020 presidential election was history-making on several accounts. Harris is both the first Black woman and first Asian American to run for vice president. And if elected, her husband Douglas Emhoff, 56, would become the first Second Gentleman of the United States.

Since Harris's bid for the presidency, which ended last December, Emhoff has become known as one of the most supportive political spouses. The entertainment lawyer, whom Harris met on a blind date in 2013, quickly broadcast his excitement for his wife's nomination on social media. "America, let's do this!" he wrote alongside a photo of

Born in Brooklyn, New York, Emhoff made his way to California for college. He attended the University of Southern California's Gould School of Law in 1990 and is currently a partner at DLA Piper Law Firm. He splits his time between California and D.C., and documented his swearing-in ceremony for the D.C. bar alongside Harris in 2017.

According to his company's website, Emhoff "is known for tackling and resolving the toughest problems—whether by aggressively litigating high-stakes cases in the public glare or acting as a trusted advisor behind the scenes." He specializes in "large domestic and international corporations and some of today's highest profile individuals and influencers in complex business, real estate, and intellectual property litigation disputes."

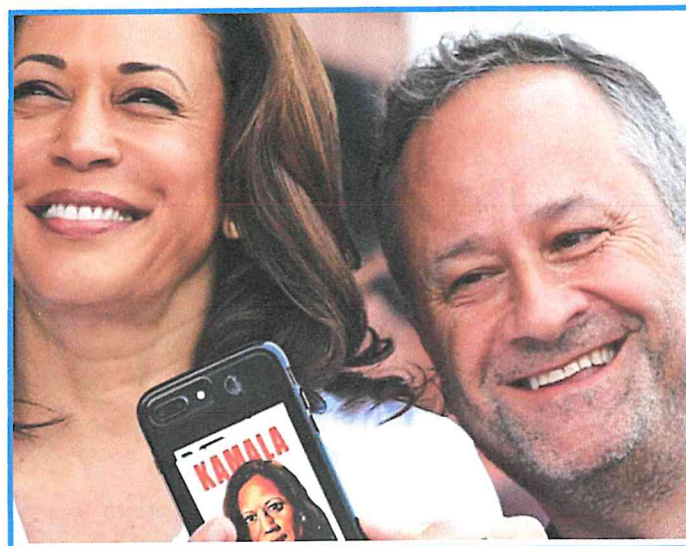


Emhoff has two children with his ex-wife Kerstin. In a Mother's Day 2019 essay for ELLE, Harris pointed out that his kids were named Cole after jazz saxophonist John Coltrane and Ella after Ella Fitzgerald. Harris wrote that initially, she was nervous about meeting the children as a kid of divorced parents herself. "As a child of divorce, I knew how hard it could be when your parents start to date other people," said. "And I was determined not to insert myself in their lives until Doug and I had established we were in this for the long haul. Children need consistency; I didn't want to insert myself into their lives as a temporary fixture because I didn't want to disappoint them. There's nothing worse than disappointing a child."

But while Harris may have had "butterflies" about meeting Cole, a graduate of Colorado College, and Emma, a Fine Arts student at Parsons School of Design, there was no need to worry. "Cole and Ella could not have been more welcoming," Harris wrote for ELLE. "They are brilliant, talented, funny kids who have grown to be remarkable adults. I was already hooked on Doug, but I believe it was Cole and Ella who reeled me in." A few years after Harris and Emhoff married, they decided against "stepmom" as her moniker and instead opted for "Momala."

Harris wrote that she and Emhoff's ex Kerstin "hit it off ourselves and are dear friends," adding, "She and I became a duo of cheerleaders in the bleachers at Ella's swim meets and basketball games, often to Ella's embarrassment. We sometimes joke that our modern family is almost a little too functional."

Kerstin, founder of the production company Prettybird, confirmed her bond with Harris to Marie Claire. "When [Doug and Kamala] first started dating and [Kamala] was [attorney general of California], I just thought, Wow, that's cool. Don't mess this up!" she recalled.



Emhoff has inspired his own #DougHive with supportive social media messages.

Emhoff has long been supportive of Harris both on and off social media. "I'm doing everything I can to help Kamala with the campaign, whether on Twitter, attending events, or rallying the team behind the scenes, all while keeping up with my full-time day gig as a lawyer, all while keeping our relationship and family first," Emhoff told Refinery29 in 2019. "Date night definitely looks a little different these days, but we are still trying to maintain our 'coupledom' by enjoying whatever time we have together, even if it's on the trail, and always with a sense of humor."

Case in point: last June, Emhoff wrote "Dear @KamalaHarris: I love you, I believe in you, and I'm so proud of you. The whole country is going to see what I get to see everyday. You are amazing" alongside two hearts.

When Harris announced the end of her presidential campaign on December 3, Emhoff posted a black-and-white of himself holding her with the caption, "I've got you. As always."

Emhoff jumped to Harris's defense on June 1, 2019, when he helped remove a protestor who approached Harris onstage and took her mic during her MoveOn Big Ideas Forum speech. Afterwards, #DougHive assembled at unprecedented numbers on Twitter, leading Emhoff to tweet, "Thx for all the kind notes. We are good. I love @KamalaHarris and would do anything for her."

He's Jewish.

Emhoff has been branded a "Hot Jewish Dad Crush" on the internet and references his faith on social media. During Rosh Hashanah last month, he shared a photo of himself, Harris, Cole, and Ella in honor of the holiday. "This Rosh Hashanah, I'm re-committing myself to do everything I can to help heal our nation & repair the world. My new year's wish is that you will join me. From my family to yours, Shana tova! P.S. throw-back pic of the fam when we could all be together -- miss you, love you," he captioned the snap.

Emhoff first met Harris on a blind date.

The pair was introduced by one of Harris's friends, PR consultant Chrisette Hudlin, per THR. The set-up happened a few years after Emhoff's divorce and while Harris was serving as attorney general of California. Hudlin recently told Marie Claire that she met Emhoff through work and decided to set the pair up when he recalled meeting Harris at a lawyer function. "And he said something to the effect of 'She's really hot,'" Hudlin remembered, adding, "He was complimenting her, and at the same time he was admiring her, and I liked that. I thought, Oh, what's your deal?"

After their first date, Emhoff reportedly emailed Harris the next morning and confessed, "I really like you." He proposed one night while Harris was deciding whether to have chicken or shrimp pad thai for dinner. They were engaged after a year of dating, on March 27, 2017.

This year, the couple celebrated their sixth wedding anniversary.

"I don't believe in long engagements," Harris told the Chronicle shortly after the proposal. Sticking true to her word, the couple was married about four months later at the Santa Barbara Courthouse, per the outlet. August 22, 2020 marked six years since their courthouse wedding, which included a cellist, personal vows, and Harris's sister Maya officiating. (Maya is also a civil rights lawyer and worked on both Harris and Hillary Clinton's presidential campaigns.)

In August, Emhoff commemorated their sixth wedding anniversary, writing on Instagram, "Dearest Kamala: here's to us, our family, friends and our beautiful life together. Wouldn't change a thing. Happy Anniversary! Love, D."



When he's not on the campaign trail or practicing law, Emhoff has several side passions. Harris herself has referred to her husband as her "favorite sous-chef," a nod to his culinary talents. Vogue has also reported on Emhoff's love for golf, fantasy football, and Nirvana. He's also joked about his dance skills on the campaign trail, tweeting at San Francisco Pride 2019, "If I can do these dad moves with my dad bod, then hopefully you all can help @KamalaHarris finish 2Q fundraising as strong as possible!"

He's built a friendship with Jill Biden on the campaign trail.

Shortly after the announcement that Harris had been selected as Biden's VP candidate, Jill Biden tweeted, "Hey @DouglasEmhoff. Are you ready?" Emhoff gamely responded, "Ready to work! Let's go @DrBiden!" Another high-profile political spouse, Chasten Buttigieg (husband of Pete) replied, "I love this so, so much."

Harris spoke to Jill and Emhoff's friendship in an interview with People. "To be the spouse of a candidate, that's tough duty," she told the outlet. "I think that their bond is about that they can genuinely like each other and have that friendship and can do it together." Biden confirmed, "Doug and Jill already were buddies, for real" even before he chose Harris as his running mate. "During the debates, we'd be going at each other—they're just laughing," Biden explained. "Right, sitting there laughing," Harris replied. "We're looking down like, 'How'd I do?' And they're just chatting with each other."

He's bonded with other first spouses.

Emhoff has forged friendly relationships with several significant others of fellow democratic presidential candidates, exchanging social media banter and posting selfies with Buttigieg as well as Bruce Mann, husband of Sen. Elizabeth Warren.



"You forge these relationships, kind of apolitically, because you're sharing something that's very unique," Emhoff told Politico in a piece about the "potential First Gentlemen." He added, "This campaign is so intense that you can't really share this experience with anyone other than someone else who's going through it."

He's also feeling the WFH struggle.

These days, Emhoff is fully committed to campaigning for Biden/Harris. That means virtual fundraisers, canvassing alongside Jill Biden, and navigating working from home alongside his spouse. "Imagine working from home with Kamala Harris, during a pandemic and all the other issues going on," he told Marie Claire for a recent profile. "She just works hard, and she's relentless....It's just incredible how much she does. And I'm looking over and she's looking [back] and she goes, 'What are you doing, Dougie? You working?' And I say, 'Yep! Yes, honey.'

When they need to decompress from a day of work, Emhoff says he and Harris indulge in a Marvel movie or one of Netflix's

"90-minute cute rom-coms" such as *Love, Guaranteed*.

He won't be a political adviser if Biden/Harris are elected.

Although Emhoff has been a major presence on the campaign trail, he won't become an official political adviser, should Harris be elected. "I'm her husband, that's it," Emhoff told People in a joint interview with Harris. "She's got plenty of great people giving her political advice. I'm her partner, I'm her best friend and I'm her husband. And that's what I'm here for. I'm here to have her back."

The outlet notes that Emhoff does have ideas for what his role as Second Husband would entail, but he remains focused on the election itself. "Right now, I'm just thinking about, let's get through this election and let's win this election," he said. "There are things that I'm really passionate about—including justice and access to justice. But I really just want to focus on winning this election."

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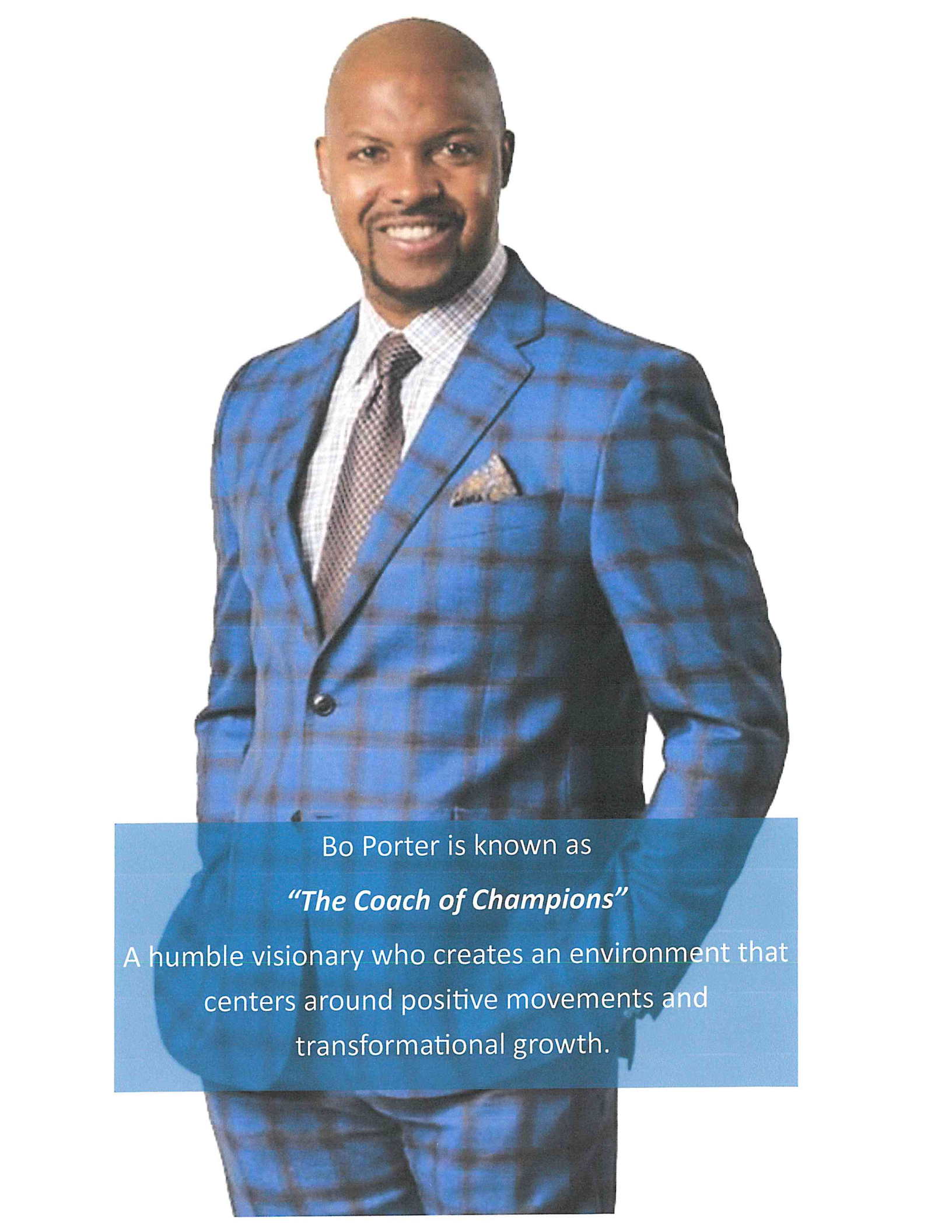
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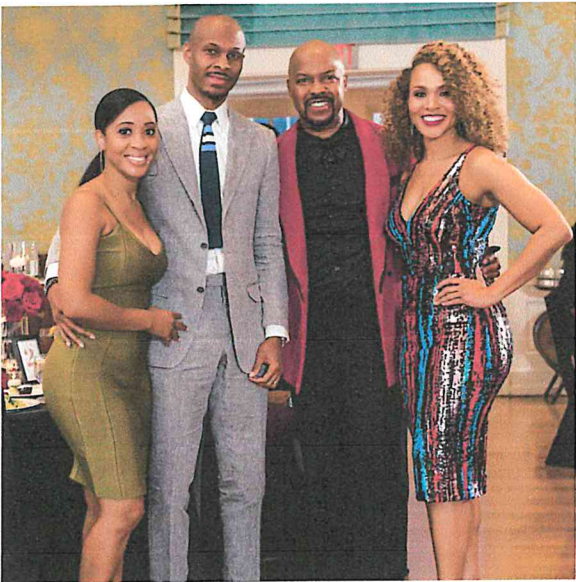
Athletes and friends toast October debut of first of its kind magazine for champions.

Bo Porter Enterprise celebrated the October launch of CORE Magazine, its most recent business venture, on Wednesday, September 30 at the Junior League of Houston. Athletes, business associates, friends and family joined Marquis “Bo” Porter, founding president and chief executive officer, to celebrate and toast the premier issue of his first-of-its-kind magazine for champions, an extension of Porter’s widely respected brand.

In attendance for the kick-off celebration were former Major League Baseball (MLB) pitcher J.R. Richard and former outfielders Chris Young and Quinton McCracken; former National Football League (NFL) wide receiver Willie Davis and former running back Ryan Terry; former Team USA and Olympic sprinter Angela Williams; former National Basketball Association (NBA) point guard and shooting guard Daniel Ewing and former Los Angeles Lakers guard Lynden Rose, and professional basketball player Brian Egwuatu; and 2000 Olympic baseball team designated hitter and gold medalist John Cotton. Also in attendance was Houston Mayor Sylvester Turner, along with several members of his staff.

Mistress of ceremonies Debbi Taylor, who also is a senior reporter for CORE Magazine, kicked off the evening’s festivities by pointing to Porter’s extensive accomplishments that have covered all the bases, from college athletics to the MLB as a former player, coach, Houston Astros manager and Atlanta Braves assistant general manager, and current Mid-Atlantic Sports Network broadcaster for the 2019 World Series Champion Washington Nationals.





Porter shared highlights from CORE Magazine’s inaugural issue, which features interviews with Mike Rizzo, president and general manager of baseball operations with the Washington Nationals of Major League Baseball; Bill Parcells, the only coach in NFL history to lead four teams to the playoffs and three teams to a conference championship game, and head coach of the New York Giants Super Bowl XXI and XXV championship teams; B.J. Armstrong, winner of three NBA championships during his career as a point guard with the Chicago Bulls; Bob Kendrick, president of Negro Leagues Baseball Museum and creator of the museum’s recent Tipping Your Cap campaign associated with the 100th anniversary of the Negro League’s founding; Carlos Peña, former MLB first baseman, studio analyst with the Major League Baseball Network (MLB Network) and New England Sports Network, and spokesman for Big Brothers Big Sisters of America; James Rodney “J.R.” Richard, a former MLB starting pitcher, inductee in the inaugural class of the Houston Astros Hall of Fame and a dynamic force in helping establish baseball programs for children; and Jennifer Altman, office managing partner dedicated to sophisticated healthcare-related litigation at the Miami office of the law firm Pillsbury Winthrop Shaw Pittman LLP and named “2020 Attorney of the Year” by the Top 100 Registry. The launch issue of CORE Magazine also features an article by Porter himself, titled “Starting the Race and Leveling the Playing Field,” a personal perspective about racism and inequality. Rounding out the premier issue are two COVID-19 impact reports, including the pandemic’s impact on education and the future of America’s youth, and a financial impact report.

“The launch of CORE Magazine represents a milestone in the publishing industry,” said Porter. “Unlike any other magazine, CORE is blazing a new trail with uplifting articles about champions in sports, business, leadership, philanthropy and marketing who’ve encouraged and advanced others in their spheres of influence, and CORE Magazine’s authentic stories are laser focused on inspiring a diverse national audience.”

During his remarks and throughout the evening, magazine sponsors and advertisers were thanked by Porter, including presenting sponsor Dr. Heather Brown Orthodontics; Pillsbury Winthrop Shaw Pittman LLP; Joyce Strimple, an independent personal stylist with J. Hilburn Men’s Clothiers; True Knight Academy; Kirby Roberts & Company; Moman Law Firm; Greenpark Compounding Pharmacy; Angels Surviving Cancer; AMB Business Solutions; Ninotch urban retreat; zPods; Ken Maurice Studios photography; Ultimate Events; Board Veritas; and Smile for a Lifetime Foundation.

Reverend Irving Johnson, Porter’s father, delivered a heartfelt prayer and blessing for the magazine. Mayor Turner, who has championed Houston through many triumphs and challenges since taking office in 2016, provided opening remarks and inspirational well-wishes for the magazine’s success.

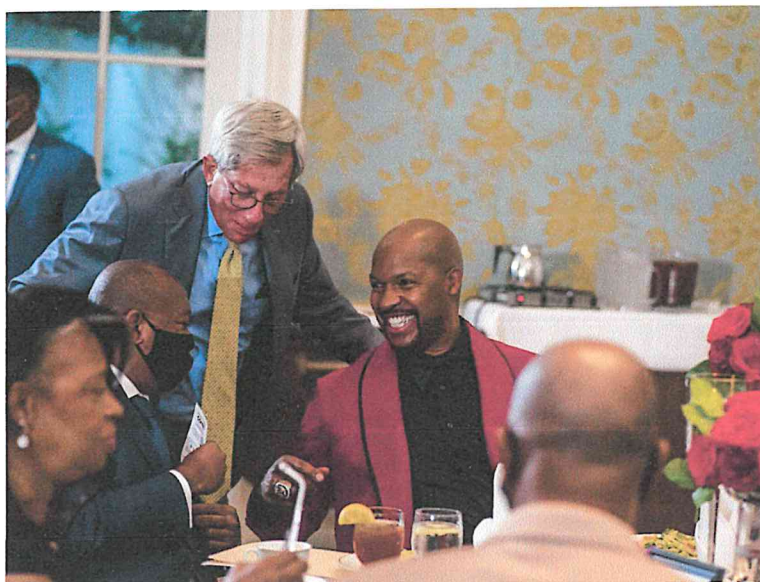
Following an elegant seated dinner, lifelong friend John McIver delivered an insightful introduction, reflecting on childhood memories when the two friends would look at baseball pictures on magazine covers, and Porter would predict his future professional baseball career as a player and manager, as well as his future business venture as a magazine owner.

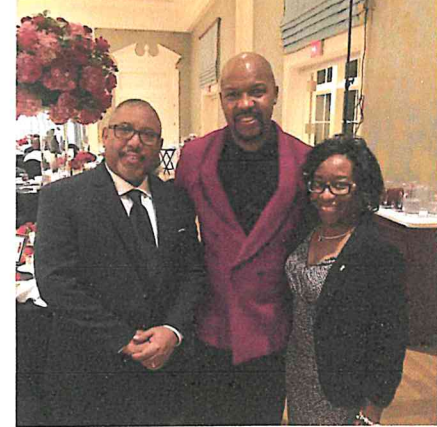
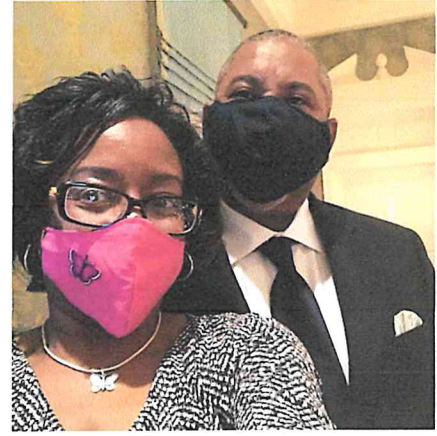
“Bo does not set goals; Bo sets expectations,” said McIver. “He didn’t live down to his obstacles. He lived up to his own expectations.”

Porter took the stage to expand on the roots of the publication and his mission and long-term vision for CORE magazine, which is premiering as a quarterly digital publication with print-on-demand capabilities. He spoke of passion for hope –

Helping Other People Excel – as his underlying motivation for publishing a first-of-its-kind publication that intersects business, sports, leadership, marketing and philanthropy.

Each issue will showcase distinct recurring features: Ball2Business – former athletes who have championed their careers and transitioned to success in the business sector; ME2me – former athletes and business professionals providing inspiration by writing in upper-case ME to their younger lower-case me; Champions4Causes – champions in career and philanthropy; and A.P.E.X. At the Pinnacle of EXcellence Award feature stories of champions in sports, business and leadership who exemplify the highest quality in their





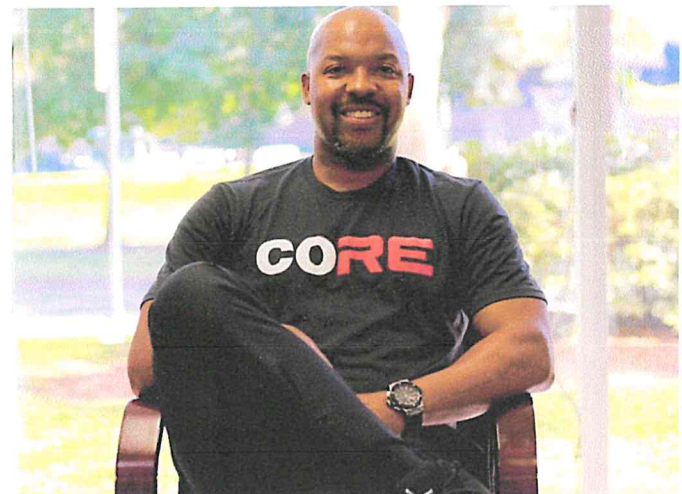
The CORE Magazine team assembled on stage for introductions, including senior reporters Taylor, Elizabeth Fordham and JR Gamble; NBA reporter Ashley Nevel; and contributing writer Royce Kinniebrew. Also acknowledged were graphic designer and video editor Stephanie Ann; social media executive Bridget Romo; contributing writer Yolla Kairouz; and art director and web developer Holly Chervnsik of SuburbanBuzz.

Porter's mother, Beverly Porter, led the crowd in a festive champagne toast to CORE Magazine's launch. Dr. Heather Brown, an elite Top 1% Preferred Provider of Invisalign through her Dr. Heather Brown Orthodontics in Houston, assisted Porter with the unveiling of the cover of the magazine's premier issue, which is expected to reach millions of growth-mindset readers. The reporters and contributing writers then signed a life-size magazine cover while goodie bags containing hot-off-the-press CORE Magazines were distributed to attendees.

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looking to unlock unprecedented engagement opportunities with the champions showcased in each issue.

Porter is founder and chairman of the board of Bo Porter Charities, through which he is a strong advocate of philanthropy and community engagement to improve and impact the lives of others through sports, education, life skills and faith. Building on his unwavering commitment to inspire and engage, 10 percent of CORE Magazine's annual income is being donated to non-profit organizations.



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CNN News Correspondent

Abby Phillips

Abby Phillip: "Donald Trump's political career began with the racist birther lie. It may very well end with a Black woman in the White House."

*- Abby Phillips, after the announcement of projected
Presidential winner Joe Biden.*

A voice of clarity on CNN during this challenging Presidential election season, Abby Phillips has become a favorite of many as the pundits break down every aspect of the election journey.

Born Abigail Daniella Phillip, Abby was raised in Bowie, Maryland, she attended Bowie High School. In 2010, she graduated from Harvard University with a Bachelor of Arts in government. At Harvard, Phillip wrote for The Harvard Crimson.

She is a daughter of June C. Phillip and Carlos W. Phillip of Bowie, Md. Her father, Carlos W. Phillip, is a psychology program manager for the District of Columbia Public Schools in Washington, and her mother is a Realtor with Century 21 Redwood Realty. She is the CEO at June Phillip Property Services LLC.

As a national political reporter for the Washington Post. During the 2016 election, Phillip is focused on the Democrats and Hillary Clinton's presidential run. Before joining the Post's political beat, Phillip was a general assignment reporter there. Phillip gained considerable experience covering politics while working as a reporter and blogger for the political website, POLITICO where her beat included covering campaign finance and lobbying.

"I definitely feel like I know a little bit about a lot, although when I first started in journalism, very early on in my career, I spent a lot of time writing about campaign finance and politics, so I feel like I have a very specialized interest and knowledge in that very small part of political journalism. So I'm very often drawn to those stories," Phillip said in a Post video.

The Path

While studying at Harvard, Phillip had initially intended on becoming a heart surgeon, but discovered she hated the lab. But she also found that she loved talking to people. “My first journalism experience was going to Mississippi for a service trip where I had to write a blog throughout the entire thing, and I just really loved that experience. And I came back, and I knew that was what I had to do,” Phillip said.

Phillip also served as an ABC News Fellow working out of ABC’s New York office. Following the fellowship, she joined the network’s Washington, D.C. bureau to work as a digital reporter covering politics. While at ABC News she produced stories for This Week with George Stephanopoulos, Nightline, and ABCNews.com. “The stories that are the most interesting are the ones that your friends are talking about, the things where people are saying, ‘what’s going on?...and you can dig a little deeper,” Phillip said.

Abby and husband Marcus Glenn Richardson were married May 26 at the Anderson House, a historic home and museum in Washington. Gene Corbin, a Baptist minister and the assistant dean of Harvard’s College for Public Service, officiated.

Best Advice She Received

When I was in college, my mother gave me two essential pieces of advice, both about how to deal with the hard parts of life. The first was: when faced with two tasks, always do the more difficult one first. The second piece of advice was delivered to me when I was fighting to hold on to a relationship that just wasn’t working. She told me that, at least at the beginning of a relationship, love shouldn’t be hard, because it will only get harder.

For much of my 20’s, I woke up most days with both insights at the front of my mind. At times in my life when work was uninspiring or overwhelming, I powered through, always keeping in mind that accomplishing the hard tasks first will allow me to do more. And as I wandered through relationships in my early-20’s, I was always reminded that I would know that my partner was worth the investment when love and companionship came with a certain ease, allowing us to build a stronger foundation for the harder parts, which inevitably come later.

Abby recently inducted into the Prince George’s County Public Schools Hall of Fame as a supportive alumni of the district.

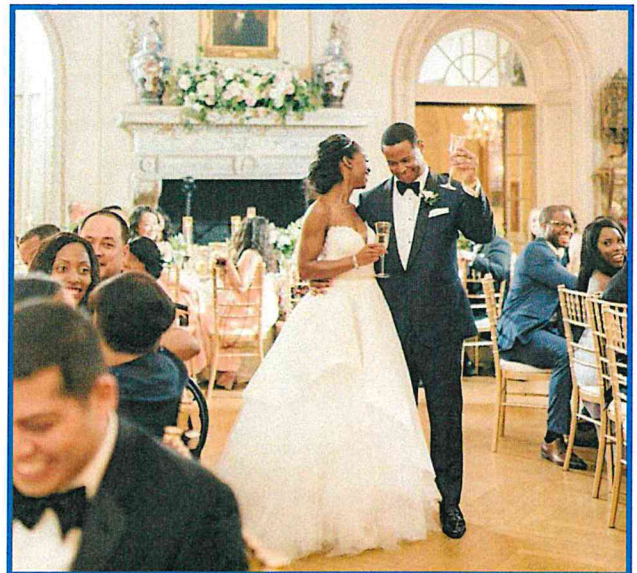




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Abby Phillip

Phillip Details Jackson's 'Dream'

The Dream Deferred, about Jesse Jackson's 1988 run to become the Democratic nominee for president, was acquired by Zachary Wagman at Flatiron Books. The book, by CNN political reporter Abby Phillip, is subtitled *Jesse Jackson, Black Political Power, and the Year that Changed America*. Flatiron said it explores how Jackson's "populist message and his coalition of women, young people, and people of color became the standard for future successful Democratic campaigns." Matt Latimer and Keith Urbahn at Javelin sold world rights to the book, which is slated for summer 2022.

Abby is currently working on a book, highlighting the 1988 Presidential run of Jesse Jackson and its impact on Blacks in politics. The book will be published by Flatiron Books. She is represented by Javelin, a literary agency.

Phillip lives in Washington, D.C., with her husband, Marcus Richardson .



Political History: Shirley Chisholm



Shirley Chisholm (born Shirley Anita St. Hill, November 30, 1924–January 1, 2005) was the first African-American woman ever elected to the U.S. Congress. She represented the 12th Congressional District of New York for seven terms (1968–1982) and quickly became known for her work on minority, women's, and peace issues.

Early Life

Shirley Chisholm was born in the Bedford-Stuyvesant neighborhood of Brooklyn, New York on November 30, 1924. She was the eldest of four daughters of her immigrant parents, Charles St. Hill, a factory worker from British Guiana, and Ruby Seale St. Hill, a seamstress from Barbados. In 1928, because of financial hardship, Shirley and two of her sisters were sent to Barbados to be raised by her grandmother, where they were educated in the island's British-style school system. They returned to New York in 1934, even though the financial situation had not been resolved.

Shirley attended Brooklyn College for a degree in sociology, where she won prizes in debating but found she was barred

from the social club, as all blacks were, so she organized a rival club. She graduated with honors in 1946 and found work at two daycare centers in New York. She became an authority on early education and child welfare, and an educational consultant for Brooklyn's Bureau of Child Welfare. At the same time, she worked as a volunteer with the local political leagues and the League of Women Voters.

Deeper Involvement in Politics

In 1949, Shirley married Conrad O. Chisholm, a private investigator and graduate student from Jamaica. Together they became increasingly involved in New York municipal political issues, establishing a number of local organizations to bring blacks and Hispanics into politics.

Shirley Chisholm returned to school and obtained a master's degree in elementary education from Columbia University in 1956 and became involved in grassroots community organizing and the Democratic Party, helping form the Unity Democratic Club in 1960. Her community base helped make possible a win when she ran for the New York State Assembly in 1964.

Congress

In 1968, Shirley Chisholm ran for Congress from Brooklyn, winning that seat while running against James Farmer, an African-American veteran of the 1960's Freedom Rides in the south and the former national chairman of the Congress of Racial Equality. With her win, she became the first black woman elected to Congress.

Her first congressional battle—she fought many—was with the chairman of the House Ways and Means Committee, Wilbur Mills, who was responsible for assigning committee appointments. Chisholm was from the urban 12th district in New York; Mills assigned her to the agricultural committee. "Apparently," she said, "all they know here in Washington about Brooklyn is that a tree grew there." The speaker of the House told her to "be a good soldier" and accept the assignment, but she persisted and eventually Mills assigned her to the Education and Labor Committees.

She hired only women for her staff and was known for taking positions against the Vietnam War, for minority and women's issues, and for challenging the Congressional seniority system. She was outspoken and uninterested in conforming: in 1971, Chisholm was a founding member of the National Women's Political Caucus and in 1972, she visited the voluble segregationist Alabama governor George Wallace in the hospital when he was recovering from an assassination attempt. He was astonished to see her and she was criticized for visiting him, but the act opened doors. In 1974, Wallace provided his support for her bill to extend federal minimum wage provisions to domestic workers.

Running for President and Leaving Congress

Chisholm ran for the Democratic nomination for president in 1972. She knew she could not win the nomination, which eventually went to George McGovern, but she nevertheless wanted to raise issues she felt were important. She was the first black person and the first black woman to run for president on a major party ticket and was the first woman to win delegates for a presidential nomination by a major party.

In 1977, she divorced her first husband and married businessman Arthur Hardwicke, Jr. Chisholm served in Congress for seven terms. She retired in 1982 because, as she put it, moderate and liberal lawmakers were "running for cover from the new right." She also wanted to take care of her husband, who had been injured in an automobile accident; he died in 1986. In 1984, she helped form the National Po-

litical Congress of Black Women (NPCBW). From 1983 to 1987, she taught politics and women's studies as the Purington Professor at Mount Holyoke College and spoke widely.

She moved to Florida in 1991 and briefly served as the ambassador to Jamaica during President Bill Clinton's first term.

Death and Legacy

Shirley Chisholm died at her home in Ormond Beach, Florida on January 1, 2005, after suffering a series of strokes.

Chisholm's legacy of grit and persistence is apparent in all of her writings, speeches, and actions in and out of government. She was involved in the founding or administration or strong support of numerous organizations, including the National Organization of Women, the League of Women Voters, the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People (NAACP), the Americans for Democratic Action (ADA), and the National Women's Political Caucus.

She said in 2004, "I want history to remember me not just as the first black woman to be elected to Congress, not as the first black woman to have made a bid for the presidency of the United States, but as a black woman who lived in the 20th century and dared to be herself."



A photograph of Joe Biden and Kamala Harris sitting at a wooden table outdoors. Both are wearing face masks. Biden is on the right, wearing a blue suit and a white surgical mask. Harris is on the left, wearing a dark plaid blazer, a white top, and a black face mask. They are both looking towards the camera. The background consists of green foliage and a wooden structure.

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