

DIGNITARY BIOS

Mignon L. Clyburn is currently serving as Acting Chairwoman of the Federal Communications Commission, following her appointment by President Barack Obama on May 20, 2013. As Commissioner, she is serving a second term as a Democrat on the Commission, for which she was sworn in on February 19, 2013 following her re-nomination by the President and confirmation by the United States Senate.

Clyburn began her service at the FCC in August, 2009, after spending 11 years as a member of the sixth district on the Public Service Commission (PSC) of South Carolina. She served as its chair from July 2002 through June 2004.

Prior to her service on the PSC, Clyburn was the publisher and general manager of *The Coastal Times*, a Charleston-based weekly newspaper that focused primarily on issues affecting the African American community. She co-owned and operated the family-founded newspaper for 14 years.

A longtime champion of consumers and a defender of the public interest, Commissioner Clyburn considers every Commission proceeding with an eye toward how it will affect each and every American. She is a strong advocate for enhanced accessibility in communications for disabled citizens, and works closely with representative groups for the deaf and hard of hearing. She has fought to promote strong competition across all communications platforms, believing that the more robust and competitive the marketplace, the less need there is for regulation. However, when the market is not adequately addressing consumer concerns, Clyburn is an outspoken champion for smart, targeted regulatory action. She has pushed for media ownership rules that reflect the demographics of America, affordable universal telephone and high-speed internet access, greater broadband deployment and adoption throughout the nation, and transparency in regulation. Commissioner Clyburn is a member of the Federal-State Joint Board on Universal Service, Federal-State Joint Board on Separations, and the Federal-State Joint Conference on Advanced Services, all of which she chaired for three years during her first term at the FCC.

Clyburn is a graduate of the University of South Carolina, and holds a Bachelor of Science degree in Banking, Finance and Economics.

Congresswoman Eleanor Holmes Norton, now in her twelfth term as the Congresswoman for the District of Columbia, is the ranking member of the House Subcommittee on Economic Development, Public Buildings, and Emergency Management. She serves on two committees: the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform and the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

Before her congressional service, President Jimmy Carter appointed her to serve as the first woman to chair the U.S. Equal Employment Opportunity Commission. She came to Congress as a national figure who had been a civil rights and feminist leader, tenured professor of law, and board member at three Fortune 500 companies. Congresswoman Norton has been named one of the 100 most important American women in one survey and one of the most powerful women in Washington in another. The Congresswoman's work for full congressional voting representation and for full democracy for the people of the District of Columbia continues her lifelong struggle for universal human and civil rights.

Congresswoman Norton's accomplishments in breaking barriers for her disempowered district are matched by her success in bringing home unique economic benefits to her constituents. Among them are senatorial courtesy to recommend federal judges, the U.S. Attorney, and other significant federal law enforcement positions for the District; up to \$10,000 per year for all D.C. high school graduates to attend any public U.S. college or university and up to \$2,500 per year to many private colleges and universities; a unique \$5,000 D.C. homebuyer tax credit, which has sharply increased home ownership in the District and has been a major factor in stabilizing the city's population; and D.C. business tax incentives, including a significant wage credit for employing D.C. residents, which has maintained businesses and residents in the District.

Congresswoman Norton has brought significant economic development to the District of Columbia throughout her service in Congress, creating and preserving jobs in D.C. The most significant are her work in bringing to D.C. the U.S. Department of Homeland Security headquarters compound, now under construction, and is the largest federal construction project in the country; her bill for private development of the 55 acre-Southeast Federal Center, the first private development on federal land; her work with the Clinton administration that resulted in the relocation of 6,000 jobs to the Washington Navy Yard; and her successful efforts as committee chair to bring to the District the new headquarters for the U.S. Department of Transportation, and the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, and Firearms, along with an additional Metro station at New York Avenue, which has resulted in the development of the NOMA neighborhood.

Congresswoman Norton helped end the city's most serious financial crisis in a century, in the 1990's, by achieving a historic package that for the first time restructured the financial relationship between Congress and the District, by transferring \$5 billion in unfunded pension liabilities and billions more in state costs to the federal government.

The Congresswoman, who taught law full time before being elected, is a tenured professor of law at Georgetown University, teaching a course there every year. After receiving her bachelor's degree from Antioch College in Ohio, she simultaneously earned her law degree and a master's degree in American Studies from Yale University. Yale Law School has awarded her the Citation of Merit for outstanding alumni, and Yale Graduate School of Arts and Sciences has awarded her the Wilbur Cross Medal for outstanding alumni, the highest awards conferred by each on alumni. She is the recipient of more than 50 honorary degrees.

Before being elected, Congresswoman Norton served as a trustee on a number of public service boards, including the Rockefeller Foundation, and the Board of Governors of the D.C. Bar Association, as well as, served on the boards of civil rights and other national organizations.

The Congresswoman is a third-generation Washingtonian, and is the mother of John Holmes Norton and Katherine Felicia Norton.

Jessica Rosenworcel was nominated for a seat on the Federal Communications Commission by President Barack Obama and on May 7, 2012 was confirmed unanimously by the United States Senate. She was sworn into office on May 11, 2012.

Commissioner Rosenworcel brings a decade and a half of public sector and private sector communications law experience to her position at the FCC. This experience has shaped her belief that in the 21st century strong communications markets can foster economic growth and security, enhance digital age opportunity, and enrich our civic life.

Prior to joining the agency, Commissioner Rosenworcel served as Senior Communications Counsel for the United States Senate Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation, under the leadership of Senator John D. Rockefeller IV. She previously served in the same role on the Committee under the leadership of Senator Daniel K. Inouye. In this position, she was responsible for legislation, hearings, and policy development involving a wide range of communications issues, including spectrum auctions, public safety, broadband deployment and adoption, universal service, video programming, satellite television, local radio, and digital television transition.

Before joining the staff of the Committee, she served as Legal Advisor to former FCC Commissioner Michael J. Copps. She also served at the agency as Legal Counsel to the Chief of the Wireline Competition Bureau and as an Attorney-Advisor in the Wireline Competition Bureau.

Prior to entering public service, Commissioner Rosenworcel practiced communications law at Drinker Biddle and Reath.

Commissioner Rosenworcel is a native of Hartford, Connecticut. She is a graduate of Wesleyan University and New York University School of Law. She lives in Washington, DC with her husband Mark, and children Caroline and Emmett.

Congressman Bobby L. Rush has spent most of his life fighting for everyday people. He believes that the constitutional promise of equality, liberty, and justice for all Americans must be upheld to make our nation strong. He has represented the First Congressional District of Illinois for almost two decades.

Rush's life story is truly an American story. He was born in Albany, Georgia on November 23, 1946. It was a time of terror and random violence against African-Americans living in the south. Eight months after Rush's birth, historians report that a white mob tied two black couples to a

tree and killed them in a hail of gunfire. It happened in a rural Georgia county north of Rush's birthplace. The brutal murders, known as The Moore's Ford Bridge Case, led President Harry Truman to push for sweeping civil rights changes and the desegregation of the military. It was the last documented mass lynching in the United States. The nation was on the cusp of change.

But Rush's family could not wait so they joined the great African-American migration and moved north to Chicago. At the time, most of American society held no expectation that the son of a single mother, growing up on Chicago's west side, would someday become a powerful national and international leader. But Bobby Rush didn't know that.

His mother and teachers at Marshall High School told him that with hard work he could rise to the level of his limitless imagination. The American Civil Rights Movement, that began shortly after he was born, would reach its zenith with the passage of The Civil Rights Act of 1964, when he was 18 years old. This struggle to fulfill the constitutional promise of equality for all would define Rush and his life's work. The fight for human rights, in America and throughout the world, remains Rush's mission. Public service through elected office is one of the many paths he has chosen with that mission in mind. For the past 18 years, Rush's passion for helping people and solving their problems, has been reflected in every aspect of his work in the Congress of the United States.

Chicago and her surrounding communities are a microcosm of America. And, while large parts of his district includes communities that can boast world class health and educational institutions and a diverse array of businesses, there are others where youth unemployment and acts of violence are far too common. Rush is an honorably discharged Army veteran and an ordained minister with a Master's Degree in Theology. In addition to his congressional responsibilities, Rush is the pastor of the Beloved Community Christian Church of Chicago. Rush listens to his constituents with a pastor's ear and acts on their needs with a politician's skill.

He and his wife of 31 years, Carolyn, have a blended family with six children including a son who lost his life to gun violence in 1999.

U.S. Rep. Bobby L. Rush is a transcendent American leader who keeps his legislative and policy interests sharply focused on the needs of his constituents — especially the most vulnerable. He believes in the redemptive power of the human spirit. He believes in human ingenuity and tenacity. He knows the power of a made up mind. As a member of Congress, Rush stands on the shoulders of a long line of patriots and public servants who have gone before him and who are ardent believers in our Constitution. His life is an example of our nation's fundamental promise and his work reflects a deep determination to bend the arc of government resources and innovation towards the needs of every American — whether they live on our nation's main streets or its side streets.

Legislative Highlights

From his very first year in office, Rush focused on issues of importance to low-income and middle-class families and communities. As a freshman in the 103rd Congress, Rush introduced bills on issues as diverse as Conflict Resolution and Mediation to Public Pensions and Community Development.

Rush's track record of leadership on energy issues and his support for small business while serving as an alderman in the Chicago City Council paved the way for him to gain a seat on the powerful House Energy and Commerce Committee in his second term.

Rush's attention to detail in crafting national legislation inspired his peers to elect him Chairman of the House Subcommittee on Commerce, Trade and Consumer Protection during the 111th Congress. Under Rush's watch, important pieces of legislation became law including the Consumer Product Safety Improvement Act of 2008 (P.L. 110-314). Signed into law by President George W. Bush, this statute is a landmark piece of legislation that provided an effective congressional response to an unprecedented wave of consumer product safety recalls between 2006 and 2007.

Key pieces of legislation that Rush crafted surrounding postpartum depression, women's health (Sec. 2951 and Sec. 2952 of Subtitle L), and prescription drug offsets (Sec. 7101 and Sec. 7102 of Subtitle B) were adopted in the landmark health care legislation, the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act (P.L. 111-148), signed into law by President Barack Obama.

Because of Rush's leadership over the years on a range of small business issues and community-based lending, Rush was chosen to serve as a conferee as part of the final, bipartisan deliberative process that led to the passage of the Dodd-Frank Wall Street Reform and Consumer Protection Act (P.L. 111-203). Rush fought hard to help ensure that low-income and middle-class consumers would never again fall prey to the ill-conceived, predatory financial practices that led to the near epic collapse of U. S. financial markets in 2008.

In 1996, Rush served as a conferee on the Telecommunications Act of 1996. This was the first major overhaul of U.S. telecommunications law in almost 62 years. This law marked the first time the Internet was included in the broadcasting spectrum allotment and it paved the way for the growth of cable and Internet accessibility throughout the nation.

Rush's work with the Lithuanian-American Bar Association (LABAS) on behalf of his Lithuanian American constituents and his work in support of Lithuania's petition for NATO membership led LABAS to name Rush their organization's "Man of the Year" at a ceremony held the John Marshall Law School's Center for International and Comparative Studies.

In 1997, Rush sponsored legislation that added the name of the late Air Force Major Robert H. Lawrence to the NASA Astronauts Memorial Foundation Space Mirror. The mirror was dedicated in 1991 to honor all U.S. astronauts who lost their lives on space missions or in training missions. Lawrence, an African American test pilot who logged 2,500 flight hours, had not been honored but was actually considered to be the first African American astronaut whose work contributed to the development of the space shuttle.

During his tenure, Rush has brought more than one billion dollars to the First Congressional District. Through his determined advocacy for the district, he has obtained funding for construction of the Dan Ryan Expressway, and the recently completed Lovana S. 'Lou' Jones/Bronzeville Metra Station for which he was able to obtain a \$4.9 million federal grant that

helped ensure the project's completion. Over the years he has obtained millions of dollars in grants for libraries, museums, municipalities, police departments, hospitals, schools, and programs that support the arts.

Today, Rush continues to carve an effective course of sound legislative leadership that protects consumers, supports our military personnel, creates jobs, expands businesses, and promotes America's national energy policy. As Rush looks to the future, the needs and interests of the people he serves in the 1st Congressional District of Illinois remain front and center.

SPEAKER BIOS

Anne Boyle is the Chair of the Nebraska Public Service Commission. She serves on the National Association of Utility Commissioners Telecommunications and Consumer Affairs Committees; Federal and State Joint Board; and formerly served as USAC State representative.

John D. Burke has been a member of the Vermont Public Service Board since January 2001. He is a member of NARUC and currently serves as chair of the Telecommunications Committee. He is a state member of the Universal Services Joint Board and is state chair of the Separations Joint Board. Burke has been an adjunct professor of Business Law at Castleton State College for 25 years and still practices law in his home town of Castleton, VT. Burke also has served on the Rutland County Bar Association, Family Court Committee and Real Property Committee, as well as on the VBA Municipal Law Committee. He served as a director of the Vermont Municipal Bond Bank for several years, before resigning in 2001 when appointed to the Public Service Board.

Burke earned an A.B. in Religious Philosophy from Dartmouth College and a J.D. from Boston University School of Law.

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Born in Guatemala, she worked for many years at the Main Street Project – a MAG-Net anchor – in her hometown of Minneapolis. While there, she co-directed a nationally recognized four-state rural Latino capacity-building initiative called The Raíces Project. Nationally, amalia is a board member of the Indigenous Women's Network, and the Latino Public Radio Consortium.

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Alex Friedmann is associate director of the Human Rights Defense Center, a non-profit organization dedicated to protecting the rights of people held in U.S. detention facilities. He also serves as managing editor of Prison Legal News, HRDC's monthly publication, which has researched and reported on prison phone-related issues for over two decades. HRDC, along with MAG-Net and Working Narratives, coordinates the national Campaign for Prison Phone Justice.

Patrick A. Hope is a Member of the Virginia General Assembly as the Delegate from the 47th District of the Commonwealth of Virginia and was re-elected for his second term in 2011. He serves on the Militia, Police and Public Safety Committee and House Health, Welfare, and Institutions Committee. In his first year he was elected co-chair of the Freshmen Caucus and also serves as the co-chair of the Virginia Progressive Caucus. Governor McDonnell appointed him to serve on the Virginia Health Reform Initiative and is the only House Democrat on that committee. Additionally in January of 2013, the Governor also appointed Delegate Hope to serve on the Task Force of School and Campus Safety.

Hope received his Bachelors of Arts degree in History from St. Mary's University in San Antonio ('93), then received his Masters of Arts degree in Congressional Studies from The Catholic University in Washington, DC ('96), and then received a Juris Doctorate degree from The Catholic University Columbus School of Law in Washington, DC ('01).

Cheryl A. Leanza is the President of her consulting firm, A Learned Hand, LLC. In this capacity she serves as policy advisor to the United Church of Christ's historic media advocacy arm and as the Co-Chair of the Leadership Conference of Civil Rights Media & Telecommunications Task Force. Ms. Leanza plays a key role at the intersection of civil rights and media justice, with a focus on advocacy on behalf of those who are least served by the media and communications ecosystems. She helped lead the victorious effort to pass the Local Community Radio Act, and has been a leader in public interest advocacy for 17 years. She has represented non-profits before the Federal Communications Commission and in the U.S. Appellate courts, and has been widely quoted in the trade and mainstream press on these issues.

Ms. Leanza is a *cum laude* graduate of the University of Michigan Law School and the Ford School of Public Policy and teaches periodically at Georgetown University's Department of Communications, Culture and Technology.

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Talila "TL" Lewis is the Founder of HEARD, a nonprofit civil rights organization that promotes equal access to the legal system for individuals who are deaf. HEARD developed and

maintains the only known national deaf and deaf-blind prisoners database, which currently contains information about nearly 500 deaf and hard of hearing men and women.

As a 2014 J.D. candidate, TL has worked extensively in the areas of deaf wrongful conviction and systemic abuse of and discrimination against deaf arrestees, defendants and prisoners. TL seeks to educate justice and legal professionals about institutionalized discrimination by using the voices and narratives of deaf and hard of hearing people, a historically oppressed minority population with a strong and vibrant culture that is often overlooked and misunderstood by those who are unexposed to this Community.

Mitch Lucas is the Assistant Sheriff of the largest Sheriff's Office in South Carolina. From 2005 to 2012, he served as the Charleston County jail administrator, overseeing the largest jail operation in the state with a bed capacity of over 2,100. He is currently the First Vice President of the American Jail Association, works with the National Sheriffs Association and the American Correctional Association, and has also served as an instructor and consultant for the National Institute for Corrections.

Jason Marks recently completed two four-year terms as a member of the New Mexico Public Regulation Commission, where he was known for his effective public interest advocacy. Marks worked on regulatory reform for intrastate inmate phone services from 2007 through 2012, passing rules capping rates and fees in N.M. and also successfully advocating for NARUC's adoption of a resolution asking for FCC action. He is presently an attorney in private practice in Albuquerque.

Barry Marano is the Case Management Counselor and ADA Coordinator for all Deaf and Hearing Impaired Offenders at the Powhatan Correctional Center. He is a 35 year veteran of the Virginia Department of Corrections. Mr. Marano began his employment in the VADOC as a Correctional Officer and became a counselor in 1987. He has experience counseling offenders in the general population of the prison as well those assigned to Segregation, Medical /Mental Health treatment units and the Powhatan County Jail Facility at this institution. Assignment to the Deaf and Hard of Hearing population started in 2006. A major element of Mr. Marano's ADA responsibilities is the operation of the videophone communication system for the deaf offenders. This system (required by a recent legal agreement), greatly enhances the contact between deaf offenders and their families. He also manages other accommodations for the Deaf and Hard of Hearing Offenders, such as VCO communication access, TTY communication access and various equipment requests to enhance these offenders ability to participate in programs and the community life in this institution.

Timothy Meade is the President and Chief Executive Officer (CEO) of Millicorp located in Fort Myers, Fl. Mr. Meade attended Ohio State University before he served in the United States Air Force. While Mr. Meade served in the Air Force, he worked as a nuclear weapons technician

with air launched cruise missiles. He graduated summa cum laude with a BS in Computer Science from Park College.

Mr. Meade's civilian career began as the software developer for Multi-Platform PKZIP data compression software and with the launch of Ascent Solutions INC (ASI), where he served as President and CEO. He was integral in making WinZip the industry-standard compression technology in the 1990's. During this time, Ascent Solutions (ASI) twice rose to a position of honor as the highest listed company in Ohio on the exclusive INC 500 list. In early 2008, Mr. Meade formed Millicorp, a multi-faceted telecommunications company and the parent company of ConsCallHome.com (CCH). CCH was established to enable the friends and families of inmates to communicate with their incarcerated loved ones safely and affordably by leveraging the benefits of VoIP technology.

Lee G. Petro is Of Counsel in Drinker Biddle and Reath's Telecommunications & Mass Media Team in the Government & Regulatory Affairs Practice Group. Lee serves as pro bono counsel to Martha Wright and the petitioners seeking to end excessive inmate telephone rates in a proceeding before the FCC. Lee also represents broadcasters, telephone companies and wireless service providers before the Federal Communications Commission. Lee authors a monthly column in *Radio Magazine*, and has spoken on panels for the National Association of Broadcasters, state broadcast associations and the National Association of Regulatory Utility Commissioners.

A graduate of the Institute for Communications Law Studies at the Catholic University School of Law, Lee serves as Assistant Secretary of the Federal Communications Bar Association, and previously chaired its nonprofit charitable and educational organization, the FCBA Foundation.

Deena Shetler is an Associate Bureau Chief in the Wireline Competition Bureau working with the Pricing Policy Division and Competition Policy Division. Deena has worked at the Commission in a number of capacities during the past sixteen years, including Deputy Chief of WCB's Pricing Policy Division, Legal Advisor to Commissioner Gloria Tristani, and Legal Advisor to the Chief of the Common Carrier Bureau. In 2009-2010, Deena was detailed for one year as a Senior Advisor to Assistant Secretary for Communications and Information Lawrence E. Strickling at the National Telecommunications and Information Administration, Department of Commerce. Prior to working at the Commission, Deena was an Associate at the law firm of Howrey and Simon. Deena received her B.A. from the University of California San Diego and her J.D. from the University of California Los Angeles School of Law.

Charlie Sullivan and his wife Pauline founded CURE (Citizens United for Rehabilitation of Errants) in 1972. The grassroots organization now has 20,000 members in 46 chapters -- mostly prisoners' families and former prisoners, but also lawyers, social workers, doctors and others -- who pay dues from \$2 to \$100 a year. (Prisoners' dues are \$2, and stamps are accepted.) In 2001, CURE had its first international conference. In February, 2011, the 5th was in Nigeria and the next global conference will be in Asia in 2014.

Richard D. Torgersrud is the CEO and Founder of Telmate. Prior to founding Telmate, Mr. Torgersrud served in several senior management positions, including Chief Operating Officer, for NSC Communications, the largest privately held pay phone company in the United States. As COO, he oversaw the company's 600 employee pay phone division. Mr. Torgersrud began his career as a Senior Auditor for PricewaterhouseCoopers, specializing in emerging business services and auditing for telecommunications, software and hardware functions. He is a Certified Public Accountant in the State of California (inactive).

As the Chief Executive Officer for Telmate from 2000 to present. Mr. Torgersrud is responsible for the development, maintenance and support of Telmate Inmate Solution, which includes facility installations, customer service and software development. Mr. Torgersrud oversees Telmate's Corporate Headquarters in San Francisco.

Mr. Torgersrud received a B.S. degree in Business Administration from the Haas School of Business at the University of California at Berkeley in 1991.

Vincent Townsend is the President of Pay Tel Communications, Inc. Building on fifteen years of success with his own marketing/distribution business, Mr. Townsend founded Pay Tel in 1986 following the breakup of AT&T. He is actively involved in all aspects of the business, leading the company through over 27 years of consistent growth and innovation. Pay Tel provides inmate telephone service and related technology to jails throughout the United States.

Mr. Townsend is a long-time Board member of the American Public Communications Council and a member of its legal committee. In this capacity he has served as an industry spokesman before State and Federal Regulatory Agencies and members of Congress. A regular speaker at national conferences, Mr. Townsend addresses a variety of industry issues including: inmate phone service, fraud prevention, business ethics, and industry regulatory issues.

Julie Veach is Chief of the Wireline Competition Bureau. Before becoming Chief in July 2012, Ms. Veach served as Deputy General Counsel for the Commission, focusing on administrative and general law issues. Prior to joining the Office of General Counsel in 2009, she served as Deputy Chief of the Wireline Competition Bureau, where she led many of the Bureau's efforts involving broadband, competition, and data gathering and analysis. Ms. Veach held a variety of other positions in the Wireline Competition Bureau. Before joining the FCC in 2001, Ms. Veach was an associate with the law firm of Wilmer, Cutler & Pickering, and she clerked for the Hon. Michael S. Kanne of the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Seventh Circuit. She received her B.A. from Purdue University and graduated magna cum laude from the Indiana University School of Law-Bloomington.

Peter Wagner is an attorney and the Executive Director of the Prison Policy Initiative. The Prison Policy Initiative published the 2012 report, *The Price To Call Home: State-Sanctioned*

Monopolization In The Prison Phone Industry, and Mr. Wagner is a co-author of the 2013 report *Please Deposit All of Your Money: Kickbacks, Rates, and Hidden Fees in the Jail Phone Industry*, which exposes the predatory fee structure and business practices of the prison phone industry and its partners.

Tim Woods is the Director of the Government Affairs & Contracts Divisions at the National Sheriffs' Association (NSA), where he has been employed since 1997. NSA is a non-profit, constituent organization headquartered in Alexandria, Virginia, that has almost 20,000 members and represents the more than 3,000 elected Sheriffs across the United States. Sheriffs are typically the chief law enforcement official of their counties, and in addition to their policing duties also provide courthouse security and operate about 80% of the jails in this country. Mr. Woods is also on the Board of Trustees for the National Organization of Parents Of Murdered Children.

He has authored or co-authored numerous training manuals for law enforcement, including: Serving Survivors of Homicide Victims During Cold Case Investigations (NSA, 2011); Enhancing Community Policing with Immigrant Populations (Office of Community Oriented Policing Services, 2010); First Response to Victims of Crime Who Have a Disability (Office for Victims of Crime, 2002); and First Response to Victims of Crime 2001 (OVC), the latter of which was recognized in 2002 as “the most requested OVC publication.” Mr. Woods also coordinates nationwide trainings on Domestic Violence for law enforcement, pursuant to funding from the Office on Violence Against Women.

Finally, Mr. Woods is the 2011 recipient of the John W. Gillis Leadership Award, presented by the National Organization of Parents Of Murdered Children “in recognition of outstanding leadership in the fight for justice and due process for survivors of homicide victims and for all crime victims, often in the face of significant opposition, and for unyielding dedication to ensure that survivors are always treated with dignity and respect.”