

Loren Lemelle

Loren graduated from Columbia University with an MBA in Finance. She also holds a degree in Accounting from Queens College. She started her career in a not for profit organization and sold real estate for Merrill Lynch Realty. She worked at Revlon's Corporate Headquarters in Finance for 4 years in a newly developed rotational program for MBA's before joining Johnson & Johnson. Loren retired from Johnson & Johnson after 22 years of service in 2007. She started as a Cost Accounting Supervisor at Personal Products Company in the Consumer Group. After progressing through 11 financial positions (Senior Brand Analyst, Financial Reporting Manager, Cost Accounting Manager, Operations Controller, Financial Controller to name a few) and 4 operating companies (Personal Products, McNeil Pharmaceutical, Ortho McNeil Pharmaceutical (OMP) and Corporate), Her experiences and contributions have been varied, from implementing Activity Based Costing at McNeil Pharmaceutical to implementing new processes and systems at OMP and Corporate to being the Champion of the Corporate Finance Mentoring Program. She was part of the management team for the Financial Leadership Development Group (FLDG). Loren was J&J's Program Champion and Finance University Team Leader for Hampton University She was on the African American Leadership Council Board having initial responsibility for developing chapters throughout J&J.(16 chapters were formed under her leadership). Loren is also a certified empowerment/executive coach.

Loren has been active in her community, participating in many local organizations including becoming an elected official as the local school board president for the township of Hillsborough. She was also a football referee and initiated a local scholarship to benefit African American high school students.

In her retirement, Loren continues to serve the community. She volunteers on special projects and works part time as a certified Foreclosure Intervention Counselor for Faith Fellowship Community Development Corporation (FFCDC) assisting families in Union, Middlesex, Monmouth, Somerset and Essex counties. She is the Deputy Treasurer for the Norwescap board , a non- profit community action partnership serving Morris, Somerset, Hunterdon, Passaic, Warren and Sussex counties and is a past co-chair of the Somerset County Circles Initiative. Loren was also a member of the scholarship committee for the Audrey West Foundation in Newark, NJ.

In 2007, Loren received the Corporate Community Service Award from the New Brunswick Area Branch of the NAACP. In 2008, she received a Distinguished Service Award from HONOR, the oldest affinity group at Johnson & Johnson.

She is an elder at Faith Fellowship Ministries World Outreach Center. She and her husband, Zack reside in Hillsborough, New Jersey. They have seven children and four grandchildren.