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December 2, 2002

President Cathy Woolard and  
Members of Atlanta City Council  
City Hall, Suite 2900 South  
68 Mitchell Street SW  
Atlanta, Georgia 30335

**RE: Appointment to the Human Relations Commission**

Dear President Woolard and Members of the Council:

It is a pleasure for me to appoint **Tanya Washington** to serve as a member of the **Human Relations Commission** of the City of Atlanta. This Class A appointment is for a **term of three (3) years**, scheduled to begin on the date of Council confirmation.

I am confident that Ms. Washington will serve the Human Relations Commission with distinction. A resume is attached for your perusal.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Shirley Franklin".

Shirley Franklin

Enclosures

**TANYA WASHINGTON**  
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**Atlanta, GA 30312**  
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## EDUCATION

### **HARVARD LAW SCHOOL**

*LL.M (6/01)*

**G.P. A. :** 3.63

**Activities:** Volunteer, Harvard University Civil Rights Project

### **UNIVERSITY OF MARYLAND SCHOOL OF LAW**

*J.D. (5/95)*

**G.P. A. :** 3.09

**Internships:** Litigation Intern, Piper & Marbury (Spring 1995); Summer Associate, Venable, Baetjer & Howard (Summer 1994); Legislative Intern, Piper & Marbury (Spring 1994); Summer Associate, Piper & Marbury (Summer 1993)

**Activities:** **Co-chair**, Student Affairs Committee, Student Bar Association (1995); **Member**, Black Law Students' Association (1992 – 1995)

**Honors:** **Recipient**, Black Law Students' Association Alumna of the Year (2/97); **University Wide Commencement Speaker**, University of Maryland Graduate Commencement Program (5/95); **Recipient**, Aron Scholarship (1/95); **Recipient**, Maryland State Senatorial Scholarship (1994 – 1995); **Recipient**, Alliance of Black Women Attorneys' Scholarship (3/94); **Recipient**, J. Franklin Bourne Bar Scholarship (9/93); **American Jurisprudence Award Recipient**, Property (5/93)

### **JAMES MADISON UNIVERSITY**

*B.A. (5/92)*

**G.P. A. :** 3.1

**Major:** English

**Minor:** Journalism

## TEACHING & RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

Associate Professor, Georgia State University Law School  
*(position begins 1/1/03)*

**Visiting Associate Professor, University of Maryland School of Law**

*(8/01 – 6/02)*

Duties included teaching first year one semester courses in Contracts, Civil Procedure and Legal Writing; preparing and grading final exams for Contracts and Civil Procedure classes; and grading student's pleadings, discovery requests and summary judgment motions.

**A. Leon Higginbotham, Jr., Research Fellowship in Social Justice, Harvard Law School**

*Research Fellow (9/99 – 6/00)*

Duties included research and drafting of an article for presentation at the 2000 Geneva Conference on Criminal Justice reflecting trends and issues of importance in the U.S. Criminal Justice system; preparing keynote presentation for National Conference of State Governors; researching and preparing memoranda, papers and articles on numerous criminal justice, constitutional and social-political issues.

**Albert M. Sacks Clinical Research Fellowship, Criminal Justice Institute, Harvard Law School**

*Clinical Research Fellow (9/98 – 9/99)*

Duties included developing and compiling teaching materials for clinical curriculum; assisting clinical instructors with the administration of the course; conducting research and drafting memorandum about the evolution of the right to counsel in the United States and its applicability within the context of the Chinese criminal justice system; and writing appellate briefs.

**Charles Hamilton Houston Preparatory Institute, Georgetown University Law Center**

*Instructor (7/98 – present)*

Duties include developing a curriculum for and teaching a 7-week Torts class to pre-law students, who will be attending law school at institutions across the nation.

**University of Maryland School of Law**

*Adjunct Professor (1/97 – 5/97)*

Duties included developing a curriculum for and teaching a comparative constitutional law seminar with a focus on interpreting provisions of and case law derived from South Africa's newly adopted Constitution and the United States Constitution, within the context of the historical experiences of each country.

**PTEX, Hyattsville, MD**

*Instructor (6/96 – present)*

Duties include teaching property law, tort law and legal writing techniques to law students and graduates for success in law school and on the Maryland, New Jersey, District of Columbia, and New York Bar Examinations.

**LEGAL EXPERIENCE**

**Piper & Marbury, L.L.P.**

**Toxic Tort Defense and Commercial Litigation Departments**

*Associate (9/96 – 5/98)*

Duties included conducting depositions of doctors and economists in federal products liability case; conducting depositions of fact witnesses in state medical malpractice and asbestos cases; conducting extensive research and analysis of revenues derived from state sponsored tobacco sales; conducting document review for MCI filing with Department of Justice; conducting several state court hearings; preparing two appellate court briefs; preparing numerous motions and research memoranda and drafting over twenty-five answers for Fen-phen class action and individual suits.

**Truth and Reconciliation South African Monitoring Project, Cape Town, South Africa**  
*International Legal Monitor* (9/96)

Duties included meeting with Commissioners and advocates from various National Governmental Organizations to discuss the development and feasibility of a national agenda which would advance the achievement of truth-finding; facilitate equitable distribution of resources to historically deprived segments of the population and promote South Africa's constitutional commitment to harmony amongst its diverse citizenry.

**Court of Appeals of Maryland, Baltimore, Maryland**  
**Chief Judge Robert M. Bell**  
*Judicial Law Clerk* (8/95 – 9/96)

Duties included preparing draft majority and dissenting opinions; producing memoranda developing various points of constitutional, criminal and tort law; publishing case summaries of filed opinions for Amicus Curiae; and preparing bench memoranda for oral arguments.

**Lawyers for Human Rights, Pretoria, South Africa**  
*Legal Extern* (8/94 – 1/95)

Duties included preparation of legal memoranda for Constitutional Court case of first impression involving state sanctioned prayer in private educational institution; drafting reports outlining deficiencies in South Africa's maintenance system; drafting reports regarding the inclusion of a constitutional provision regulating hate speech; participating in conferences concerning the necessity of having a Truth and Reconciliation Commission; and production of reports regarding constitutionality of existing apartheid statutes.

**PUBLICATIONS**

**The Diversity Dilemma** (7/01) (circulating for publication)

This piece investigates the still unanswered inquiry into diversity's status as a constitutionally compelling interest, in light of recent studies establishing a direct and demonstrable nexus between racial and ethnic heterogeneity and an enhanced educational experience and climate.

**BAR AFFILIATIONS**

United States District Court for the District of Maryland (1997); Court of Appeals of Maryland (1995)

**REFERENCES**

**Chief Judge Robert M. Bell**, Court of Appeals of Maryland, 410 333-6396

**Professor Alice Brumbaugh**, University of Maryland School of Law, 410 706-7352

**Professor Alice Bullock**, Howard University School of Law, 202 806-8000

**Professor Christopher Edley, Jr.**, Harvard Law School, 617 495-4614

**Professor Charles J. Ogletree, Jr.**, Harvard Law School, 617 495-2054

**Professor Laurence Tribe**, Harvard Law School, 617 495-4621



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A COMMUNICATION BY MAYOR SHIRLEY FRANKLIN

A COMMUNICATION BY MAYOR SHIRLEY FRANKLIN APPOINTING TANYA WASHINGTON TO SERVE AS A MEMBER OF THE HUMAN RELATIONS COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF ATLANTA. THIS APPOINTMENT IS FOR A TERM OF THREE YEARS, SCHEDULED TO BEGIN ON THE BEGIN ON THE DATE OF COUNCIL CONFIRMATION.

CONFIRMED BY

JAN 06 2003

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