



VOTE

Curtiss Jacobs

Northeast District Representative

2017

Community Engagement: Curtiss has been a member of the 100 Black Men of America organization since 2008. He served as the co-chair for the membership committee and has chaired the economic empowerment committee for the One Hundred's founding chapter in New York City. And is currently *the President of the Long Island New York chapter*. Curtiss is also active on the political scene; at the request of US Senator Kristen Gillibrand, he joined a small working group that meets monthly with the Senator to develop legislative proposals designed to enhance economic growth within the small business community.

Additionally, Curtiss is very active in the New York City and Long Island communities and has received numerous awards for community service from the City of New York as well as mentoring from the NYC Board of Education and the National Academy for Youth and Tennis. In 2009, Curtiss opened the doors to Renaissance Fine Art in Harlem (since rebranded to Curtiss Jacobs Gallery) to help preserve the cultural legacy of the community and provide opportunities for local artists. Curtiss also served as the executive board chairman for the World of Money, a charitable organization that provides financial literacy training to underserved young people in the metropolitan area and is on the Advisory Board of Project Art, an organization that provides arts education to underserved communities in New York City, Detroit and Miami.

Professionally, Curtiss Jacobs is a Global Corporate Executive for the worlds largest insurance company, AIG. Curtiss joined AIG in 2008 with over 20 years of leading large-scale operations at global financial organizations such as Merrill Lynch, Citigroup, and Bank of America. Over the course of his career, he has developed and strategies throughout the U.S, Latin America, Europe, and Asia Pacific. Curtiss earned a reputation as *Mr. Fix It*, due to his ability to assess risk and turn around under performing organizations.

A true proponent of diversity and inclusivity, Curtiss is especially skilled at building and leading diverse, cross-functional teams that effectively maximize operational efficiencies. He relies on these same skills to develop and retain talent and was named Operations Executive of the Year, while at Pitney Bowes, where he managed their largest account, Bank of America, and generated \$250M in revenue during his last five years with firm.

Curtiss earned a BS in management and communications from Adelphi University and holds an MBA in International Business from Northeastern University in Boston. He is a six-sigma black belt in DMAIC methodology, is a certified Business Process Management Professional, and a certified Project Manager. Curtiss is a long-standing member of the National Black MBA Association.

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“the best way to find yourself, is to lose yourself in the service to others” - Ghandi