

2021 AG GASTON VIRTUAL CONFERENCE



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Founder, Black Girl Ventures



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MARC MORIAL
President & CEO, National Urban League

DAY 1 TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 23

Our Role in Growing Black Businesses



Debra Nelson



Bob Dickerson



Shelly Bell



Dr. Anthony Hood



John Hilliard

9:00 AM

Welcome

Debra Nelson, President, ELEVATE Communications, LLC

Sponsor Greetings: Clara Green, Regions Bank

9:10 AM

Opening Remarks & A.G. Gaston Award Presentations

Robert Dickerson, Jr.

Accepting for Regions Bank: LeRoy Abrahams

Accepting for Renasant Bank: Mitch Waycaster

9:15 AM

Plenary Session | Unscripted: Being A Black Entrepreneur In Today's America with Shelly Bell, Founder, Black Girl Ventures

Sponsor Greetings: Michele Jenkins-Utomi, PNC Bank

9:40 AM

Panel Presentation | Our Role in Growing Black Businesses and Their importance in Building our Economy

Moderator: Robert Dickerson, Jr.

Panelists: Anthony Hood, Exec. VP-First Horizon Bank

John Hilliard, Birmingham City Council

Shelly Bell, Founder, Black Girl Ventures

Sponsor Greetings: Tracey Morant Adams, Renasant Bank

10:20 AM

Panel Presentation | Green Power! Money in Action

Moderator: Jacqueline Jones, CEO, One Degree Marketing

Panelists: Bryan Hamilton, CEO, Trillion Communications

Nolanda Hatcher, Member Mgr., Studio 2H Design, LLC

Selena Rogers-Dickerson, President, SARCOR, LLC

Sponsor Greetings: Eveitt Payne, BBVA

Video Tribute to A.G. Gaston

11:00 AM

Plenary Session

Maggie Anderson, author, *Our Black Year*; Co-Founder, The Empowerment Experiment

Sponsor Greetings: Alex Morton, IBERIABANK

11:20 AM

Closing Remarks

Robert Dickerson, Jr

Preview of Day 2



Jacqueline Jones



Brian Hamilton



Nolanda Hatcher



Selena Rodgers-Dickerson



Maggie Anderson

DAY 2 WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 24

Race, Wealth and Community



Dedrick Asante-Muhammad

9:00 AM

Welcome

Debra Nelson, President, ELEVATE Communications, LLC

Sponsor Greetings: Richard Busby, Wells Fargo Bank
Sam Martin, *The Birmingham Times*
Delpha Bartley-Jones, Valley National Bank
James Roszkowski, Discover Bank



Irvin Henderson

9:05 AM

Opening Remarks

Robert Dickerson, Jr.

9:15 AM

Plenary Keynote

Dedrick Asante-Muhammad, Chief–Race, Wealth and Community,
National Community Reinvestment Coalition (NCRC)



William Barnes

9:30 AM

Panel Presentation | Race, Wealth and Community: Strategies for Closing the Racial Wealth Gap

Moderator: Dedrick Asante-Muhammad

Panelists: William Barnes, President, Birmingham Urban League
Irvin Henderson, Principle, Henderson, Inc.

Sponsor Greetings: Myla Calhoun, Alabama Power

10:30 AM

Plenary Session

Fireside Chat with Marc Morial, President, National Urban League



Marc Morial

10:45 AM

Closing Remarks

Robert Dickerson, Jr.

Conference Recap