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<p data-bbox="201 279 315 342">Tammy Williams</p> 	<p data-bbox="418 279 1289 384"># of years in West Orange: 18 Number of years on the HRC 6 years total and current role: 4 years, Commission Chairwoman</p> <p data-bbox="418 432 1430 579">Other West Orange Associations: West Orange Planning Board Member, West Orange Citizens Budget Advisory Committee Member, West Orange Stop Suicide Advocacy Coalition- Founder, WOHS PTA - Member WO Public Relations Commissioner Secretary 2015-17</p> <p data-bbox="418 627 1414 695">Established Marker for Anna Easter Brown - Original Founder of Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority Inc. (1908) born and raised in West Orange.</p> <p data-bbox="418 743 1260 810">Professional Information: Broker Associate   Berkshire Hathaway HomeServices NJ Properties 18 Years</p> <p data-bbox="418 858 1427 1005">Personal Information: MBA Candidate 2020 Public Administration Northcentral University, BA Criminal Justice UNC- Chapel Hill, Married to John McNair, Mother of Chali Blackwell WOHS Class of 2015 and Tamia Blackwell WOHS Class of 2021.</p> <p data-bbox="418 1054 1446 1243">Related Experience- Supreme Court of New Jersey District Fee Arbitration Committee - Member, National Association of Parliamentarians - Member, Pearls of Wisdom Foundation Board Member and Founding President, Jack and Jill of America, Inc. Charter Member Essex Hudson Chapter, At Home With Diversity Certification - NAR</p> <p data-bbox="418 1291 1438 1396">Additional Organizations - Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Inc., NAACP (Oranges &amp; Maplewood, National Association of Realtors, North Central Jersey Association of Realtors</p> <p data-bbox="418 1444 1382 1512">Entrepreneur and Community Champion committed to the well-being and health of adults and children.</p>
<p data-bbox="201 1591 315 1654">Dagmar Hobson</p> 	<p data-bbox="418 1591 1438 1696"># of years in West Orange: 45 # of years on the HRC and current role: For a few years when the HRC was first started in 1992, currently 9 years, commissioner, past treasurer</p> <p data-bbox="418 1703 911 1736">Other WO Associations: WOAHO, PTA</p> <p data-bbox="418 1743 1414 1810">Professional Information: Retired, past network technician and consultant at Verizon, past (?) substitute teacher in East Orange, Orange and West Orange</p> <p data-bbox="418 1816 1289 1850">Personal Information: 2 adult children, 2 grandchildren out of state</p>

<p>Dagmar Hobson (con't)</p>	<p>Related Experience: lifelong social justice advocate, campaign manager in several WOBOE campaigns, member of SOMA Community Coalition on Race, current outreach coordinator in Dr. Akil Khalfani's congressional campaign</p>
<p>Shannon Gattens</p> 	<p># of years in West Orange: 17  Number of years on the HRC and current role: 1 year, Secretary  Other West Orange Associations: Gregory School, RMS PTA member.  Professional Information: Director of Accounts, Educational Technology  Personal Information: Three children in the WO school district.  Related Experience: Training by the People's Institute, organizer/moderator of the Provocative Discussions on Race series, activist for the past 6 years attending seminars and rallies promoting racial justice. Currently the Secretary for Unitarian Universalist Congregation at Montclair Executive Board of Trustees.</p>
<p>David Jones</p> 	<p># of years on the HRC and current role: First year, Commissioner  # of years in West Orange: 4years  Other West Orange Associations: (Ex. School Board, WOAHO, etc.): Executive Board Member, St. Cloud Elementary School Parent Teacher Association, Member, Diversity, Equity &amp; Access Committee West Orange School District  Professional Information: Chief Diversity Officer and Director of Talent Management, William Paterson University, Diversity Consultant at <a href="http://www.davidearljones.com">www.davidearljones.com</a>  Related Experience:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● 15+ years of experience leading diversity strategic planning, agendas and initiatives in higher education</li> <li>● 10+ years of diversity consulting, speaking and training working to help organizations create inclusive environments.</li> <li>● Member-At-Large for the Board of Trustees at the Unitarian Universalist Congregation</li> <li>● Member of Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity, Inc.</li> </ul>
<p>Elizabeth Milhim</p> 	<p>Number of years on the HRC and current role: 6 months as a Commissioner  # of years in West Orange: 30  Other West Orange Associations: West Orange Democratic Committee  Professional Information: Assistant Director of Operations and Human Resources  Personal Information: My family moved to West Orange in 1991. I've gone to school here my whole life and graduated from WOHS in 2002. I have been able to experience how West Orange has become more of a diverse community</p>

<p>Elizabeth Milhim (Con't)</p>	<p>through the years. I've been given the opportunity to not only live, but also work in the town of West Orange.</p> <p>Related Experience: I have worked as a consultant with the New York City Department of Finance with their Chief Diversity and Inclusion Officer. In Union County, I have worked to build a mentoring program within the Union County Department of Youth Services, with the program launching within the next year.</p>
<p>Asmeret Ghebremicael</p> 	<p># of years in West Orange: 23</p> <p>Number of years on the HRC and current role:</p> <p>Professional Information: Assistant to Essex County Chief of Staff</p> <p>Personal Informational/Related Experience: I am Ethiopian/Eritrean and have a great passion for life! Three words that describe me are determined, optimistic, and enthusiastic. I am a full time grad student at Rutgers University and look forward to obtaining my Masters in Public Administration May 2021.</p> <p>With a passion for helping those around me, I am the type of individual who wholeheartedly integrates herself into her career. Throughout my professional tenure I have always strived to work with organizations that make a difference in people's lives. This mantra was instilled in me many years ago by my parents who have dedicated their lives to helping others; their family values and teachings instilled the importance of volunteering and giving back to our community since I was a young girl. Through hard work and commitment, I have been lucky enough to have many opportunities to volunteer and make an impact in my community.</p> <p>Related Experience: I knew at an early age I wanted to work in public sector or non-profit and have always been active volunteering in the community, both locally and abroad. I am a proud West Orange resident and Essex County Employee. I also serve as the Essex County Liaison to the Borough of North Caldwell.</p>
<p>Fr. Miguel A. Hernandez</p> 	<p>Number of years on the HRC and current role: 3 years, Commissioner</p> <p># of years in West Orange: 6</p> <p>Other WO Associations: WO Hispanic Foundation</p> <p>Professional Information: A retired engineer at Alcatel-Lucent (now Nokia). Currently, Priest-in-charge at Holy Trinity Episcopal Church in West Orange. Adjunct Prof. at The Newark School of Theology, Caldwell University, General Theological Seminary, and El Seminario Episcopal Anglicano de El Salvador.</p> <p>Personal Information: Married.</p> <p>Related Experience: Teaching, mentoring, and advocating.</p>

<p>Patrecia West</p> 	<p># of years on the HRC: 8 years, Commissioner  # of years in West Orange: 15  Co-designed and facilitated a HRC series of community conversations "Living in Diverse Communities" which led to West Orange High School Unity Club's police and community chat.  Community Activities: Commissioner-Public Relations Commission, Past member and President- West Orange African Heritage Organization, Member- Essex Rising, and Member- West Orange Cares about Schools  Professional Information: Organizational Development, Leadership, Diversity and Inclusion Consultant  Related Experience: M.S.Organizational Behavior and Change, Columbia University. Twenty years extensive and broad based experience in diversity and inclusion together with my own personal development and awareness. Worked in and consulted with various for profit and non-profit organizations to address and resolve challenges facing today's diverse organizations. Designed comprehensive programs and strategies and training that help to develop more inclusive cultures.</p>
<p>Reji George</p> 	<p>Name: Reji George  # of years in West Orange: 25  Number of years on the HRC and current role: 10 years, Commissioner  Other West Orange Associations: West Orange Chamber of Commerce  Professional Information: Business Manager, County of Essex, Citizen services, Division of Family Assistance &amp; Benefits.  Personal Information: Son Graduated from WOHS and finished Bachelors from Rutgers University. Daughter in WOHS at present.</p> <p>Related Experience:  Masters in HealthCare Informatics from Rutgers University.  IT professional at UMDNJ/ Rutgers University for over 30+ years of experience with seven different management titles. Successful manager, team builder and motivator with in-depth experience and excellent communication and customer service skills.  Member, Business Continuity Planners Association  President &amp; CEO, Kerala Publications Inc, West Orange, NJ  General Secretary, India Press Club of North America, NY Chapter  Advisory Board member, India Press Club of North America</p>
<p>Alexandra Mizrahi ( former DeRonde)</p>	<p># of years in West Orange: 20  # of years on the HRC: 12 years, Commissioner  Current role: appointed member.  Other WO Associations: Former Trustee &amp; founder member of Ice Hockey Youth Program MTL. PASSE and Former member of Council PTA.</p>



**Community Activities:**

Former Public Relations Commissioner. Parents Advocating for Special Services in Education PASSE Co-owner, Co-President. WO Hispanic Foundation - Member; Essex Rising-Member- Mayor’s Program for the Uniquely Gifted - member; West Orange Cares about Schools WOCAS- member. WOSD Diversity & Inclusion Committee - member.

**Professional Information:**

MBA Psychology & Marketing, masters: International Relations/Diplomacy; International Law; Political Science. Education Advocate, Family Consultant for Families with children with disabilities and/or Mental Health Challenges for Essex County, Certified Translator NJ/NY Eng/Spanish pair language; Certified FANS Behavioral Health; FSO state Certified NJ Children System of Care; National Mental Health Certification; Certified Clinical Alcohol, Tobacco & others drugs; CSW in HIV Infections Diseases Multicultural African American & Latino Communities; USA Hockey certification youth ice hockey module 1-2-3; Former member of United Way Education Policy Advisory Council Essex & West Hudson County. Member of NJ Special Education Leadership Council SELCNJ. Human Trafficking and Spoiled abuse Children, Domestic Violence.

**Personal Information:** Single mother of 2 children in WO School District. Raised in Venezuela.

**Related Experience:** Advocate and Activist in Education for People with Disabilities, Mental Health and Emotional challenges and Human Rights for 16 years. Multicultural disparities, Generational Poverty. Culturally and Linguistic competences. Diversity and Inclusion. Education Law and American with Disabilities Act ADA.

Dr. Akil Kalfani



**Number of years in West Orange:**

**# years on the HRC and role:** 3+ years, Commissioner

**Other West Orange Associations:** None

**Professional Information:** He has served as the Director of the Africana Institute and Associate Professor of Sociology at Essex County College since 2005. He is the author of, The Hidden Debate: The Truth Revealed about the Battle over Affirmative Action in South Africa and the United States, which was nominated for two national awards: the Oliver Cromwell Cox Award and the American Sociological Association’s Distinguished Book Award. He is currently working on the 5th edition of Introduction to Sociology: Understanding Our Social World.

Since 2011, he has been the Host and Executive Producer of The Pulse: a televised talk show that explores the diversity of the African global experience. He has given keynote addresses at the United Nations and for various corporate and government organizations such as KPMG and the Transportation and Security Administration (TSA). Additionally, he has given graduation and keynote addresses at various secondary schools and universities nationally and

<p>Dr. Akil Kalfani (con't)</p>	<p>internationally. He sits on the Editorial Board for the Association of Black Sociologists' journal entitled Issues in Race &amp; Society: An Interdisciplinary Global Journal.</p> <p>Personal Information: He lives in West Orange with his wife Sia and their four children.</p> <p>Related Experience: Dr. Kalfani has been recognized for his community service work by the United States Congress, the California State Senate, and several municipalities in New Jersey. Previously, he served as Co-Chair for the Education Committee for the City of Newark's African Commission and as a member on the Essex-Newark Coalition to End Homelessness. He previously served as President and Vice President of the Board of Trustee for Adelaide L. Sanford Charter School.</p> <p>Dr. Kalfani was previously a candidate for West Orange Township Council and Essex County Freeholder in New Jersey.</p>
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