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Top Skills

Government

Nonprofit Organizations

Broadcast Television

Keisha Lance Bottoms

Former Mayor of Atlanta, Senior Advisor to the President of the United States, Judge

Atlanta Metropolitan Area

Summary

KEISHA LANCE BOTTOMS is an exceptional visionary and transformational leader, focused on driving business and government toward deeper and more equitable outcomes. Her deep business acumen, centered around results and metrics, was instrumental in successfully leading Atlanta. In a strong Mayor form of government, Keisha led a nearly \$2B enterprise with nearly 10K employees, delivering services and fostering well being for the over 600K residents and numerous Fortune 500 and small businesses that call Atlanta home. Keisha has also served as Senior Advisor to President Joe Biden, leading strategy and engagement on the President's key initiatives. She serves as a member of the President's Export Council, joining CEOs, labor leaders, and others on the principal national advisory committee on international trade.

Her steadfast leadership and equity-focused philosophy have led to numerous accolades and leadership positions, including having served as the Chair of the Community Development and Housing Committee and the Census Task Force for the United States Conference of Mayors and as a Trustee for the African American Mayors Association. Keisha was also selected to Chair the Platform Committee for the 2020 Democratic National Convention and served as the DNC's Vice Chair of Civic Engagement and Voter Protection.

Keisha is the only Mayor in Atlanta's history to have served in all three branches of government, having served as a Judge and a City Councilmember. Tracing her family's roots to a slave plantation in Georgia, it was Keisha's highest honor to be named the 2020 Georgian of the Year by Georgia Trend Magazine. She also was named one of Glamour Magazine's Women of the Year and was named a member of Ebony Magazine's prestigious Power 100 List. She has also been honored as a BET 100 Entertainer and Innovator of the Year and was named the Smart Cities Dive's 2020 Leader of the Year. Keisha was also the recipient of the Distinguished Civil

Rights Advocate Award presented by the Lawyers' Committee for Civil Rights Under the Law.

Keisha is the daughter of R&B icon Major Lance and Sylvia Robinson. She and her husband Derek are parents to four children.

Experience

KRLB, LLC

Chief Executive Officer

January 2022 - Present (2 years 11 months)

Keisha Lance Bottoms, Esq.

Attorney

January 2000 - Present (24 years 11 months)

Keisha maintains a consulting and law practice. She has served as General Counsel for a multi-million dollar business, as well as a Judge in Fulton County State and Magistrate Court.

City of Atlanta

12 years 1 month

Mayor of Atlanta

January 2018 - January 2022 (4 years 1 month)

Councilmember

January 2010 - January 2018 (8 years 1 month)

Since being sworn into office on January 4, 2010, Councilmember Bottoms has sponsored legislation that has addressed the city's \$1.5 billion unfunded pension liability. This sweeping legislation has helped grow the city's reserves from \$7.4 million to more than \$100 million, in under three years. She has also authored the toughest Panhandling legislation in the history of the city.

Education

Florida Agricultural and Mechanical University

Bachelor of Science - BS, Journalism · (August 1987 - April 1991)

Georgia State University

Doctor of Law - JD, Law · (August 1991 - June 1994)

