

Biographical Profile Of

# **Carole Copeland Thomas**

As a speaker, trainer, global thought leader, and business owner since 1987, **Carole Copeland Thomas** moderates the discussions of key issues affecting our global marketplace. She has her pulse on the issues

affecting working professionals and consults with industry leaders on a regular basis. From speaking at the Federal Highway Administration, SHRM, Hewlett Packard, Verizon, Cargill, and Monster.com to interviewing experts around the globe, Carole knows how to analyze the dynamics of a changing marketplace.

#### **Outreach To Worldwide Issues**

Carole served as an adjunct faculty member for Bentley University for a decade, and has spoken throughout the United States, London, England, Canada, India, El Salvador, Australia, South Africa, and Kenya. She cofounded a non-profit international organization with nine other women as a result of a 2005 trip to Kenya. The group returned to Kenya in November 2007 for humanitarian projects and to host their first International Conference in Mombasa, Kenya.

# **Multicultural Symposium Series**

Carole is the founder of the Multicultural Symposium Series, a multiyear conference and online initiative developed for the advancement of multicultural issues. Carole is a blogger and social media enthusiast using various technology platforms to enhance her business development activities.

#### Radio Talk Show Host & Executive Coach

Carole is the host of Focus On Empowerment a weekly issues-oriented radio talk show. The program recently migrated to Internet radio on Blog Talk Radio. www.blogtalkradio.com/globalcarole

For three years Carole's Personal Empowerment Tips were heard daily on Boston's WILD 1090 AM Radio. Her one-hour call in radio talk show, "Focus

On Empowerment" was heard every Friday morning on the station. Carole's syndicated radio tips were broadcast in 10 US cities in early 2003, and were sponsored by Marshalls the nationwide off-price retail store. Her radio talk show continued on WBNW-1120-AM-Boston through 2009. Carole served as the Executive Coach for the Essence Magazine Leadership Summit.

## **Active In Community and Civic Affairs**

Carole is the Tri-State Coordinator for Delta Sigma Theta Sorority and the Chair of the Multicultural Committee for the Greater Boston Convention and Visitors Bureau. A lifetime member of the National Black MBA Association, Carole served as Past President of the Boston Chapter and Past National Vice Chair of the organization. Carole is also the Diversity and Inclusion Forum Chair for the Northeast Human Resources Association (NEHRA).

## **Education**

Carole graduated with honors in 1975 from Emory University. She entered graduate school in 1983 (on a Martin Luther King, Jr. academic fellowship), and received her MBA degree from Northeastern University in Boston.

She received her Certified Diversity Meeting Professional Designation (CDMP) from the International Association of Hispanic Meeting Professionals in 2011.

### **Mother & Grandmother**

Carole is the mother of three children: Dr. Lorna Thomas Farquharson (husband Jerome), Michelle Thomas Monteiro (husband Alberto), and the late Mickarl D. Thomas, Jr. She does her best to spoil her granddaughters Julianna Gwendolyn Farquharson and Gabrielle Jaeda Farquharson.

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