

Biographical notes

Mr. Hugh B. Price is the President and Chief Executive officer of the National Urban League, the oldest and largest community-based movement devoted to empowering African-Americans to enter the economic mainstream.

Prior to joining the National Urban League, Mr. Price was Vice-President of the Rockefeller Foundation in 1988. In that capacity he was responsible for overseeing its domestic investments to improve education for at-risk youth and increase opportunities for people of colour. He had served for six years as senior Vice-President of WNET/Thirteen in New York and as member of the Editorial Board of *The New York Times*, writing editorials on public policy issues, including public education, welfare, criminal justice and telecommunications. Mr. Price started his professional career as a legal services lawyer representing low-income clients in New Haven, Connecticut.

Mr. Reginald K. Brack (pronounced "BROCK") is former Chairman and CEO of Time, Inc., a wholly owned subsidiary of Time Warner Inc. and the publishing arm of the corporation. He launched *Entertainment Weekly*, the first successful new weekly magazine since *People* in 1974. Mr. Brack is former Chairman of the Board of Trustees of the National Urban League, and a Trustee of the EarthJustice Legal Defense Fund. He is also a former Chairman of the Magazine Publishers of America and the Advertising Council, which he continues to serve as Director. Mr. Brack is a Trustee of the Center for Strategic and International Studies (CSIS), a Director of the Business Council for International Understanding (BCIU), a Director of the Interpublic Group of Companies, Inc. (IPG) and a Director of Quebecor World Inc. (IQW).

Mr. Davis P. Thomas is the Vice-President of Corporate Relations for Sprint, which is sponsoring the Conference. He previously served as the Director of Community Affairs for Sprint and has extensive experience in human resources management, nonprofit governance and strategic planning. Prior to joining Sprint, Mr. Thomas was Vice-President of Human Resources with Citibank. Mr. Thomas is the past chair of the KC Consensus *Promise Project*, a youth empowerment initiative.

Mr. Kenneth D. Lewis is the Chairman of the Board of the National Urban League. He is currently the Chief Executive Officer and President of Bank of America. Prior to joining the Bank of America, Mr. Lewis was named Middle Market Group executive in 1983 when the group was created. He also served as president of the company's Texas bank, and was president of Consumer and Commercial Banking before being named President and Chief Operating Officer in 1999.
