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Place of Birth Jacksonville, Florida

Spouse Grady Earl Johnson, D.M.D.
Dentist in Private Practice

Education

University of Florida	Gainesville	1976	Ph.D.
University of Florida	Gainesville	1968	M.A.
University of Florida	Gainesville	1966	B.A.

Activities and Involvement

Recipient of the Lifetime Achievement Award in City of Jacksonville from the Florida Times Union, June, 2005

Recognized by the Board of Trustees of Florida Community College for Achievement in the Community of Jacksonville, 2006

Appointed by President Clinton to the President's Advisory Committee on the Arts of the John F. Kennedy Center for the Performing Arts, (1995-01)

Appointed by Florida's Governor Lawton Chiles to "Florida's Finest", An honor that recognizes Florida residents who improve their community through good deeds and hard work, (1997)

Recipient of Mayor John Delaney's Women's History Award as "A Woman of Courage and Vision" by the Mayor's Commission on the Status of Women (2001)

Appointed by Mayor John Delaney the Jacksonville Human Rights Commission

Appointed to FBI's Hate Crime Working Group (2007-present)

Appointed by Mayor John Peyton to the Jacksonville Human Rights Commission (2006-2008)

Appointed by Mayor John Delaney to the Advisory Committee on Ritz and LaVilla Cultural Heritage District, (1996-02)

Appointed by Mayor Tommy Hazouri to the Duval County Hospital Authority

Appointed by Mayor Jake Godbold to the Jacksonville Area Planning Board

Activities and Involvement (continued)

Leadership Jacksonville Alumni(ae) Board of Directors
(1989-90)
Ritz Theatre Historic Restoration Board of Directors
(1987-97)
Point LaVista Neighborhood Association Board of Directors
(1990-00)
Appointed to Uptown Civitan Club Board of Directors, (1997)
(2005)
Karpeles Manuscript Museum Board of Directors (1990-07)
Marjorie Kinnan Rawlings Society Board of Trustees (1987-02)
Marjorie Kinnan Rawlings Society Trustee Emeritus
Hubbard House Shelter for Abused Women Patron (1992-94)
Arab American Institute National Leadership Council
(1991-97)
"Jacksonville Reads Seminar" for American Association of
University Women (2003)

Activities and Involvement in Women's Issues

Founder Jacksonville Women's Network (1979)
Planned Parenthood of Northeast Florida Board of Directors
(1992-97) (2007-present)
Planned Parenthood of Northeast Florida Legislative and
Fundraising Committees (1998-08)
Florida Women's Consortium Board of Directors (1992-95)
Florida Women's Alliance Board of Directors (1985-90)
Florida Women's Political Caucus, State President (1977)
ERA Jacksonville (Equal Rights Amendment), Director (1976)
Director Florida Parades for ERA (1975)
Director and Co-Convener Jacksonville Chapter National
Organization for Women (1970)
Director and Convener University of Florida Chapter National
Organization for Women (1972)
South Atlantic Modern Language Association Women's Studies
Section Helped Found, Atlanta, 1975
Take Back the Night Committee, "Week Without Violence" (1998-
03)
Appointed by President Gerald Ford as a Florida Delegate to
International Women's Year Conference, 1976
Elected Florida Delegate to International Women's Conference
In Houston Texas, 1977

Activities and Involvement in Party Issues

Host Committee for Hillary Clinton for President, June, 2007
Delegate Florida Democratic Convention, October, 2007
Democratic National Convention, Appointed Credentials
Committee Los Angeles (Vice President Al Gore) (2000)
Democratic National Convention, Appointed At-Large Alternate
Chicago (President William Jefferson Clinton) (1996)
Democratic National Convention, Appointed by President
Clinton to the Credentials Committee attend the National
Democratic Convention, New York City (1992)

Publications and Presentations (continued)

"Marjorie Kinnan Rawlings: For This Is An Enchanted Land",
Presented at Conference on Southern Women Writers,
Santa Fe Community College, Gainesville, Florida
"The Basic Speech in the 1980's" A Presentation to the
49th Convention of the Florida Speech Communication
Association, 1979.
"Jobspeak: Speech in the Marketplace of the 1980's"
Published in the Florida Speech Communication Journal,
Volume 8, Number 1, 1980.
We Shall Not be Denied, Published in the National NOW News
January, 1975
Marjorie Kinnan Rawlings Journal of Southern Literature
Advisory Board, 1991-96

Professional and Association Memberships

Jacksonville Women's Network
Florida Women's Alliance
St. Johns Riverkeeper
United Florida Faculty
Society for the Study of Southern Literature
Speech Communication Association of America
Molaka Club of Jacksonville
Syrian Ladies Club of Jacksonville
National Organization for Women
National Women's Political Caucus
Planned Parenthood of Northeast Florida
Voters for Choice
Uptown Civitan Club of Jacksonville
Alpha Chi Omega Sorority Alumnae
Jacksonville Community Council (JCCI)
Leadership Jacksonville
Wage Peace
Vietnam Veterans Against the War
Marjorie Kinnan Rawlings Society
Florida Humanities Council