

The Patricia Roberts Harris National Fair Housing
Training Academy (NFHTA)

NFHTA Fair Housing Month Celebration

April 22, 2010
12:00 pm - 1:00 pm

The Patricia Roberts Harris National Fair Housing Training Academy
Graduate School
8th Floor, Suite 890
Washington, DC 20024

Presentation of

The Patricia Roberts Harris Life Time Achievement Pioneer Award
Presented to

Homer C. Floyd

Awarded to recognize an individual or organization who contributes to
the advancement of fair housing practices
and the eradication of civil and human rights violations

Lunch Provided



Homer C. Floyd is Executive Director of the Pennsylvania Human Relations Commission, a position he has held since February 1970. Before coming to Harrisburg, he held positions in agencies at the local, state and federal levels in Kansas, Nebraska and Washington, D.C., and has amassed an impressive record of accomplishments in civil rights. He has received numerous awards from civil and human rights organizations for his contributions in the field of human relations, including most recently being named 2009 Person of the Year by Pittsburgh based *Talk* magazine, a statewide publication focused on minority politics and culture.

From 1966-1970, Mr. Floyd was Executive Director of the Kansas Commission on Civil Rights, serving North Dakota, South Dakota, Nebraska and Kansas. He also has served as a consultant to the Government of the Virgin Islands and to state and local agencies.

Mr. Floyd's career in human rights began after he spent 18 months as a Recreation Department Supervisor in Kansas City, Missouri. Joining the Kansas Commission in 1961, he left in 1964 to become Executive Director of the Topeka Human Relations Commission. From there, he went to Washington to assist in the preparation of rules, regulations, procedures and training programs for the U.S. Equal Employment Opportunity Commission. In 1965 he became Executive Director of the Omaha Human Relations Board.

Mr. Floyd was also a former professional football player with the Edmonton Eskimos in the Canadian football league.

Mr. Floyd has served on many Boards and Committees, including Treasurer and member of the Board of Directors of the International Association of Official Human Rights Agencies, member of the Samuel L. Abrams Foundation Board, the Pennsylvania Housing Advisory Committee, EEOC Standing Committee, past Chair of the Central Pennsylvania Advisory Board to the United Negro College Fund, past Present of the Boys' Club of Harrisburg, former member of the Board of Directors of the Tri-County United Way, Board of Directors of the Harrisburg Area YMCA, a life member and former Polemarch of the Harrisburg Alumni Chapter of the Kappa Alpha Psi Fraternity, life member of the NAACP, member of the National Association of Human Rights Workers, life member of the Kansas University Alumni Association, former Board of Directors of the Tri-County Volunteer Action Center, former President of the Susquehanna Township Midget Basketball Association, and member of the Harrisburg Chapter of the National Caucus and Center on Black Aged, and member of A.A.R.P. He has served on the Governor's Affirmative Action Council, the Governor's Housing Task Force and the Susquehanna Manpower Development Corporation.

Mr. Floyd holds a Bachelor of Science from the University of Kansas and has done additional coursework at Fisk University in Nashville, Tennessee and Washburn University in Topeka, Kansas.

Mr. Floyd was married to the late Mattie Longshore. He has three children and three grandchildren.

