# Finding Aid to The HistoryMakers ® Video Oral History with Angela Johnson Colbert

## Overview of the Collection

**Repository:** The HistoryMakers®1900 S. Michigan Avenue Chicago, Illinois 60616

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Creator: Colbert, Angela Johnson, 1956-

Title: The HistoryMakers® Video Oral History Interview with Angela Johnson Colbert,

**Dates:** August 18, 2017

Bulk Dates: 2017

**Physical Description:** 7 uncompressed MOV digital video files (3:09:27).

**Abstract:** Lawyer Angela Johnson Colbert (1956 - ) practiced corporate law at Quarles & Brady,

LLP and also served as a trustee of the Milwaukee Art Museum and the Milwaukee Public Museum Endowment Fund. Colbert was interviewed by The HistoryMakers® on August 18, 2017, in Martha's Vineyard, Massachusetts. This collection is comprised of

the original video footage of the interview.

**Identification:** A2017 154

**Language:** The interview and records are in English.

## Biographical Note by The HistoryMakers®

Lawyer Angela Johnson Colbert was born on April 14, 1956 in Asheville, North Carolina. She graduated from Asheville High School in Asheville, North Carolina in 1974, and received her B.A. degree in international studies from the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill in Chapel Hill, North Carolina in 1978, and her J.D. degree from the University of North Carolina School of Law in Chapel Hill, North Carolina in 1982.

Colbert moved to Milwaukee, Wisconsin, where she was hired as a corporate lawyer for Quarles & Brady, LLP in 1985 and became a member of the Wisconsin Association of African-American Lawyers. Colbert left the firm after a few years of practice to focus on raising her family and later returned to the workforce in 2004, when she and her husband, Virgis Colbert, acquired majority ownership of Production Stamping Corporation. Colbert assumed the role of president and CEO of the Milwaukee-based metal stamping company. She and her husband also became partial owners of the Milwaukee Bucks professional basketball team after working with other to help create Partners for Community Impact.

Colbert has done extensive work in Milwaukee's nonprofit community. She was named a trustee of the Milwaukee Public Museum Endowment fund in 2009 and became president of Jim H. Green Kidz Harbor Inc. the following year. She was an active member of the Milwaukee branch of The Links Incorporated, and served on the Milwaukee Art Museum board of trustees starting in 2011, and a frequent donor. Colbert also served as director of the Milwaukee Tennis and Education Foundation, an after school enrichment program. She served as vice president of the Milwaukee Scholars Charter School Inc., and became director the following year. She and her husband donated the largest individual gift to the Thurgood Marshall College Fund for its twentieth Anniversary Dinner Gala. Colbert and her husband also helped sponsor the Inspiring Beauty: 50 Years of Ebony Fashion Fair in 2015.

Colbert and her husband, Virgis Colbert, have two daughters, Jillian Colbert, Alyssa Colbert, and one son, William Colbert II.

Angela Johnson Colbert was interviewed by *The HistoryMakers* on August 18, 2017.

## **Scope and Content**

This life oral history interview with Angela Johnson Colbert was conducted by Larry Crowe on August 18, 2017, in Martha's Vineyard, Massachusetts, and was recorded on 7 uncompressed MOV digital video files. Lawyer Angela Johnson Colbert (1956 - ) practiced corporate law at Quarles & Brady, LLP and also served as a trustee of the Milwaukee Art Museum and the Milwaukee Public Museum Endowment Fund.

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Information about the administrative functions involved in scheduling, researching, and producing the interview, as well as correspondence with the interview subject is stored electronically both on The HistoryMakers® server and in two databases maintained by The HistoryMakers®, though this information is not included in this finding aid.

## **Controlled Access Terms**

This interview collection is indexed under the following controlled access subject terms.

#### Persons:

Colbert, Angela Johnson, 1956-

Crowe, Larry (Interviewer)

Hickey, Matthew (Videographer)

#### Subjects:

African Americans--Interviews Colbert, Angela Johnson, 1956- --Interviews

# **Organizations:**

HistoryMakers® (Video oral history collection)

The HistoryMakers® African American Video Oral History Collection

## **Occupations:**

Lawyer

# HistoryMakers® Category:

LawMakers

## **Administrative Information**

## **Custodial History**

Interview footage was recorded by The HistoryMakers®. All rights to the interview have been transferred to The HistoryMakers® by the interview subject through a signed interview release form. Signed interview release forms have been deposited with Jenner & Block, LLP, Chicago.

#### **Preferred Citation**

The HistoryMakers® Video Oral History Interview with Angela Johnson Colbert, August 18, 2017. The HistoryMakers® African American Video Oral History Collection, 1900 S. Michigan Avenue, Chicago, Illinois.

## **Processing Information**

This interview collection was processed and encoded on 5/30/2023 by The HistoryMakers® staff. The finding aid was created adhering to the following standards: DACS, AACR2, and the Oral History Cataloging Manual (Matters 1995).

# **Other Finding Aid**

A Microsoft Access contact database and a FileMaker Pro tracking database, both maintained by The HistoryMakers®, keep track of the administrative functions involved in scheduling, researching, and producing the interview.

# **Detailed Description of the Collection**

## **Series I: Original Interview Footage**

Video Oral History Interview with Angela Johnson Colbert, Section A2017\_154\_001\_001, TRT: 1:28:57?

Video Oral History Interview with Angela Johnson Colbert, Section A2017\_154\_001\_002, TRT: 2:28:08?

Video Oral History Interview with Angela Johnson Colbert, Section A2017\_154\_001\_003, TRT:

3:31:15?

Video Oral History Interview with Angela Johnson Colbert, Section A2017\_154\_001\_004, TRT: 4:29:02 ?

Video Oral History Interview with Angela Johnson Colbert, Section A2017\_154\_001\_005, TRT: 5:28:48?

Video Oral History Interview with Angela Johnson Colbert, Section A2017\_154\_001\_006, TRT: 6:31:50 ?

Video Oral History Interview with Angela Johnson Colbert, Section A2017\_154\_001\_007, TRT: 7:11:27?