

# Finding Aid to The HistoryMakers® Video Oral History with Curtis T. Jewell

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## Overview of the Collection

<b>Repository:</b>	The HistoryMakers®1900 S. Michigan Avenue Chicago, Illinois 60616 info@thehistorymakers.com www.thehistorymakers.com
<b>Creator:</b>	Jewell, Curtis T., 1943-
<b>Title:</b>	The HistoryMakers® Video Oral History Interview with Curtis T. Jewell,
<b>Dates:</b>	November 15, 2017
<b>Bulk Dates:</b>	2017
<b>Physical Description:</b>	8 uncompressed MOV digital video files (3:50:57).
<b>Abstract:</b>	Entrepreneur Curtis T. Jewell (1943 - ) was the president and CEO of EXCEL Management Systems, Inc., a company he founded in 1989. He established the Jewell Group, LLC in 1994. Jewell was interviewed by The HistoryMakers® on November 15, 2017, in Columbus, Ohio. This collection is comprised of the original video footage of the interview.
<b>Identification:</b>	A2017_202
<b>Language:</b>	The interview and records are in English.

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## Biographical Note by The HistoryMakers®

Entrepreneur Curtis T. Jewell was born on September 8, 1943 in Richmond, Virginia to Thelma Jewell and Fletcher Jewell. Jewell attended 18th Avenue Elementary School in Newark, New Jersey and Manakin Elementary School in Manakin, Virginia. After graduating from Central High School in Goochland County, Virginia, Jewell enlisted in the U.S. Navy in 1961, and served as a hospital corpsman. In 1975, Jewell earned his B.S. degree in social psychology from Park University in Parkville, Missouri.

Following his discharge from the military, he pursued a career as a physician. In 1966, Jewell began working as a technician at Harvard Teaching Hospital while taking pre-med courses at Northeastern University and Boston University. However, he returned to Richmond, Virginia in 1969 without completing his medical degree. In 1972, he was hired as the executive director of Uhuru, a substance abuse treatment center in Columbus, Ohio. Following his college graduation, Jewell became the President and CEO of Intercontinental, Inc. After four years with the company, he left in 1979 to join Nationwide Insurance as a sales agent. In 1985, he became a partner at Praxis, where he remained for four years. Then, in 1989, Jewell founded EXCEL Management Systems, Inc. and established the Jewell Group, LLC, a property holding company, in 1994. In 2004, he became the majority stockholder of J.B. Chart Development Company, LLC.

From 1990 to 2008, Jewell served on the board of the National Black Programming Consortium. He also served as a member of the Columbus State Community College Development Foundation, Inc. and the Advisory Council for the Center of Science Industry Columbus.

Jewell was awarded the Minority Small Businessman of the Year Award by the U.S. Small Business Administration in 1994, and named Businessman of the Year by the Black Presidents' Roundtable. The following year, the Greater Columbus Chamber named him Small Business Person of the Year, and the Ohio Association of African American Business Owners named him African American Male Business Owner of the Year. In 2015,

Jewell was inducted into the Central Ohio Business Hall of Fame.

Jewell and his wife, Beverly Jewell, have six children: Neonu, Nia, Sisi, Curtis, Clay, and Leah.

Curtis T. Jewell was interviewed by *The HistoryMakers* on November 15, 2017.

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## Scope and Content

This life oral history interview with Curtis T. Jewell was conducted by Larry Crowe on November 15, 2017, in Columbus, Ohio, and was recorded on 8 uncompressed MOV digital video files. Entrepreneur Curtis T. Jewell (1943 - ) was the president and CEO of EXCEL Management Systems, Inc., a company he founded in 1989. He established the Jewell Group, LLC in 1994.

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### Restrictions on Access

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## Related Material

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.

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## Controlled Access Terms

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

### Persons:

Jewell, Curtis T., 1943-

Crowe, Larry (Interviewer)

Hickey, Matthew (Videographer)

### Subjects:

African Americans--Interviews

Jewell, Curtis T., 1943- --Interviews

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# Organizations:

HistoryMakers® (Video oral history collection)

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The HistoryMakers® African American Video Oral History Collection

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# Occupations:

Entrepreneur

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# HistoryMakers® Category:

BusinessMakers

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# 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

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## 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).

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# 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.

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# Detailed Description of the Collection

## Series I: Original Interview Footage

Video Oral History Interview with Curtis T. Jewell, Section A2017\_202\_001\_001, TRT: 1:28:24 ?

Video Oral History Interview with Curtis T. Jewell, Section A2017\_202\_001\_002, TRT: 2:28:48 ?

Video Oral History Interview with Curtis T. Jewell, Section A2017\_202\_001\_003, TRT: 3:28:15 ?

Video Oral History Interview with Curtis T. Jewell, Section A2017\_202\_001\_004, TRT: 4:31:07 ?

Video Oral History Interview with Curtis T. Jewell, Section A2017\_202\_001\_005, TRT: 5:29:08 ?

Video Oral History Interview with Curtis T. Jewell, Section A2017\_202\_001\_006, TRT: 6:28:36 ?

Video Oral History Interview with Curtis T. Jewell, Section A2017\_202\_001\_007, TRT: 7:28:13 ?

Video Oral History Interview with Curtis T. Jewell, Section A2017\_202\_001\_008, TRT: 8:28:26 ?