

Finding Aid to The HistoryMakers® Video Oral History with Carolyn Hunter Heyward

Overview of the Collection

Repository:	The HistoryMakers®1900 S. Michigan Avenue Chicago, Illinois 60616 info@thehistorymakers.com www.thehistorymakers.com
Creator:	Hunter Heyward, Carolyn D., 1957-
Title:	The HistoryMakers® Video Oral History Interview with Carolyn Hunter Heyward,
Dates:	November 14, 2021
Bulk Dates:	2021
Physical Description:	5 uncompressed MOV digital video files (2:25:40).
Abstract:	Restaurant owner and operator Carolyn Hunter (1956-) owned three McDonald's franchises in South Carolina, including locations in Moncks Corner, Ladson, and Summerville. Hunter Heyward was interviewed by The HistoryMakers® on November 14, 2021, in Summerville, South Carolina. This collection is comprised of the original video footage of the interview.
Identification:	A2021_019
Language:	The interview and records are in English.

Biographical Note by The HistoryMakers®

Restaurant owner and operator Carolyn Hunter was born on October 3, 1956 in Kinsale, Virginia to John and Rachel Hunter Thompson. She graduated as the salutatorian from Washington and Lee High School in 1975 and received her A.A. degree in business administration from Rappahannock Community College in 1977.

After graduating from Rappahannock in 1977, Hunter went to work as a grill cook at a local McDonald's restaurant. She later moved to New York City where she joined the McDonald's grill team and was accepted into its training program. By 1981, she was a supervisor at four McDonald's locations in the City of New York. In 1989, Hunter moved with her family to South Carolina and purchased a store in Moncks Corner. In 1996, she founded the company C & A Unlimited Inc., where she served as president and CEO. By 2012, Hunter owned three McDonald's franchises in South Carolina, including locations in Moncks Corner, Ladson, and Summerville.

Hunter has been active in many causes. In 2011, she donated \$1 million to Trident Technical College in Charleston, South Carolina and established the Rachel Hunter Thompson Memorial Scholarship Fund. In 2017, Hunter pledged \$500,000 towards the construction of the International African American Museum on Gadsden's Wharf in Charleston, South Carolina; and, the following year, she pledged \$250,000 to the Cane Bay Family YMCA, in Charleston, South Carolina. The YMCA honored Hunter by naming the second grade-swimming program in her honor.

Hunter also served as member of the Charleston Southern University Board of Visitors, Trident United Way, and the Ronald McDonald House Charities of Charleston. In 2006, Hunter was elected to the Trident Technical College Foundation Board where she was named chair in 2015.

Carolyn Hunter was interviewed by *The HistoryMakers* on November 16, 2021.

Scope and Content

This life oral history interview with Carolyn Hunter Heyward was conducted by Larry Crowe on November 14, 2021, in Summerville, South Carolina, and was recorded on 5 uncompressed MOV digital video files. Restaurant owner and operator Carolyn Hunter (1956-) owned three McDonald's franchises in South Carolina, including locations in Moncks Corner, Ladson, and Summerville.

Restrictions

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.

Controlled Access Terms

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

Persons:

Hunter Heyward, Carolyn D., 1957-

Crowe, Larry (Interviewer)

Hickey, Matthew (Videographer)

Subjects:

African Americans--Interviews

Hunter Heyward, Carolyn D., 1957---Interviews

Organizations:

HistoryMakers® (Video oral history collection)

The HistoryMakers® African American Video Oral History Collection

McDonald's Restaurants Limited

Occupations:

Entrepreneur

HistoryMakers® Category:

BusinessMakers

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).

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 Carolyn Hunter Heyward, Section A2021_019_001_001, TRT: 1:29:05 ?

Video Oral History Interview with Carolyn Hunter Heyward, Section A2021_019_001_002, TRT: 2:29:00 ?

Video Oral History Interview with Carolyn Hunter Heyward, Section A2021_019_001_003, TRT: 3:29:36 ?

Video Oral History Interview with Carolyn Hunter Heyward, Section A2021_019_001_004, TRT:
4:28:41 ?

Video Oral History Interview with Carolyn Hunter Heyward, Section A2021_019_001_005, TRT:
5:29:18 ?