



### **Stacey Abrams- Campaign Manager**

Rep. Stacey Abrams, whose district includes portions of the City of Atlanta, the City of Decatur and unincorporated DeKalb County, is the CEO of sage works, llc, a legal and operational consulting firm, and a partner in Insomnia, a business solutions company. Formerly, Abrams served as Deputy City Attorney for Government Counsel, Development and Infrastructure for the City of Atlanta.

Abrams has served as Special Counsel and a tax associate at the Sutherland Asbill & Brennan law firm in Atlanta, where her practice focused on tax-exempt organizations, with additional practice in health care matters. She is also award-winning novelist Selena Montgomery. She received her J.D. from the Yale Law School. She graduated from the LBJ School of Public Affairs at the University of Texas at Austin with an M.P.Aff. in public policy. She earned a B.A. in Interdisciplinary Studies (Political Science, Economics and Sociology) from Spelman College.

### **Aqualyn Laury- Deputy Campaign Manager**

Aqualyn Laury has a B.S. degree from Spelman College and an M.B.A. from Duke University. She brings 13 years of leadership experience in management from top consumer and technology companies and trade magazines. Active in a variety of civic organizations, Laury has a special interest in helping women business owners prosper.

### **Lewanna Heard- Field Director**

Lewanna Heard most recently worked on the Obama Presidential campaign in both the Field and Political Operations and the Generation Obama Group. She has also worked for several Georgia campaigns, including Greg Hecht's 2006 bid for Lieutenant Governor and as Field Organizer for Fulton County Commission Chairman John Eaves. Heard holds two degrees from the University of Arkansas: a B.A. in Interpersonal Communications and a Master's in Political Communications, which she completed while studying at Oxford University.

### **Ayesha Khanna- Finance Director**

Ayesha Khanna is an experienced management professional in non- and for-profit sectors, having served as a former COO for the United Way of Metropolitan Atlanta. She is the former CEO for the YWCA of Greater Atlanta and was an executive with Accenture, a global management consulting, technology services and outsourcing company. Khanna received her education from Columbia University in the City of New York and Franklin & Marshall College



### **Khalil Thompson- Campaign Strategist**

Khalil Thompson was a staffer for U.S. Senator Ted Kennedy on Capitol Hill. Most recently, he served for two years on the Obama for America campaign, working as a finance operative for the southern region and handled the portfolios for southern delegates at the Democratic Convention. He is a graduate of the University of Maryland and holds a B.A. in Sociology.

### **Liz Flowers - Communications Director**

Liz Flowers holds the dual role of communications director and press secretary. She leads a team of communications experts in outreach through Internet, print and broadcast media. Flowers, formerly a local editor and international journalist, has spent the last several years as a consultant in the political and business arenas. Her client list includes top politicians throughout the state and she has managed and advised non- and for-profit agencies. She is an award-winning short-fiction writer with an education in political science and deaf education from Central Piedmont College.