

The Florida Council on the Social Status of Black Men and Boys

PRESS RELEASE

February 9, 2024

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

Raymond Spaulding Joins the Florida Council on the Social Status of Black Men and Boys

Tallahassee, Florida – February 9, 2024 – The Florida Council on the Social Status of Black Men and Boys (CSSBMB) is pleased to announce the appointment of Raymond Spaulding to the Florida Council on the Social Status of Black Men and Boys. As a dedicated advocate for veterans, social justice and equity, Mr. Spaulding brings a wealth of knowledge and experience to this important role.

The Florida Council on the Social Status of Black Men and Boys was established to address the disparity and challenges faced by Black men and boys in the state. The council's mission is to identify and recommend solutions to eliminate barriers and improve opportunities for Black men and boys in areas such as education, employment, health, and justice.

Raymond Spaulding's appointment to the council reflects his longstanding public service to this nation by improving and protecting the freedoms of all Americans as a Major in the United States Marine Corps. Mr. Spaulding's background includes, but is not limited to, commanding two combat deployments to Iraq (2004-2006) as the Commanding Officer of Weapons Company, First Battalion, Second Marine Regiment.

Mr. Spaulding is Director of Specialized Services for the Department of Management Services (DMS) and is a graduate of Florida A&M University with a Bachelor of Science in Political Science. He has been a vocal advocate for policies that promote fairness and equality, and his efforts have effectively raised awareness of the issues affecting Black men and boys in Florida.

"We are thrilled to welcome Raymond Spaulding to the Florida Council on the Social Status of Black Men and Boys." said Chairman of the Florida Council on the Social Status of Black Men and Boys. "His proven track record of leadership and insight will help underrepresented communities and will undoubtedly strengthen the council's capacity to effect meaningful change. We are confident that Mr. Spaulding's contributions will have a lasting and positive impact on the lives of black men and boys throughout Florida."

The Florida Council on the Social Status of Black Men and Boys looks forward to Mr. Spaulding's valuable talent and guidance as the council continues to pursue meaningful strategies

for addressing the disparities that affect Black men and boys. His appointment signals the state's ongoing commitment to advancing equity and opportunity for all its residents.

For media inquiries or more information about the Florida Council on the Social Status of Black Men and Boys, please contact:

Terrell Nelson, M.S. Ed, Executive Director Terrell.nelson@myfloridalegal.com (850) 414-3982

Florida Council on the Social Status of Black Men & Boys