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## Black Wall Street USA Inmate Reentry & Recovery Committee

AC	Willie Simpson (AL) Director		Appointment Pending
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AC	Denise Ragland (TN) Administrator		Appointment Pending
AC	Saundra Smith (LA) Assistant Administrator		Appointment Pending
AC	Ronald Lee (TX) Director Business Dev.		Appointment Pending
AC	Micah Carter (AL)		Appointment Pending
AC	Jayreshena Cavalier (TX)		Appointment Pending
AC	Homer Crittenden (AL)		Appointment Pending
AC	Corion Gray (LA)		Appointment Pending
AC	Thomas Headen (TX)		Appointment Pending
AC	Henderson Kelly (TN)		Appointment Pending
AC	Laurence Littleton (IL)		Appointment Pending
AC	James Mason (TX)		Appointment Pending
AC	Damon Taylor (KY)		Appointment Pending
AC	James Windom (LA)		Appointment Pending

BWSUSAIRR Seating Status: 15/30 (30 Seats Requirement)

(AC) = Active Member.

(NA) = Needs to Reactivate. [blackwallstreet.org/reactivate](http://blackwallstreet.org/reactivate) (15 day grace period after membership expires)

(NM) = Needs to Activate National Membership - [blackwallstreet.org/join](http://blackwallstreet.org/join)

(RM) = Member Removed by the Administrator or resigned

**BWSUSAIRR VACANT SEATS.** All active directors must assist the BWSUSAIRR National Director with nominations and candidates to fill the remaining seats. Submit all nominations to: [administration@blackwallstreet.org](mailto:administration@blackwallstreet.org). BWSUSAIRR Committee Nominations - All BWSUSAIRR committee nominees have 15 Days to accept nomination and activate or the nomination expires. Nominations that expire after 15 calendar days must wait a calendar year (365 days) before being reconsidered for a BWSUSAIRR committee seat. This also applies to expired a membership.

Alonzo Hall TX (12/23/18) - Expires 01/18/2019  
 Charles Miller TN (12/23/18) - Expires on 01/18/2019  
 Byron Sellers IL (12/23/18) - Expires on 01/18/2019  
 Sydney Vallie TX (01/14/19) - Expires on 01/28/2019  
 Jermaine Johnson TX (01/15/19) - Expires on 01/29/2019  
 Joseph Butler TX (01/16/19) - Expires on 01/30/2019  
 Alfred Green TX (01/16/19) - Expires on 01/30/2019  
 Marlon Hammond TX (01/16/19) - Expires on 01/30/2019  
 Reggie Jackson TX (01/16/19) - Expires on 01/30/2019  
 Larom Johnson TX (01/16/19) - Expires on 01/30/2019  
 Myrone Smith TX (01/16/19) - Expires on 01/30/2019  
 Ed Williams TX (01/16/19) - Expires on 01/30/2019  
 Jerry Blassingame, SC (01/18/19) - Expires on 02/01/2019  
 Dianne Webster Smith, AL (01/18/19) - Expires on 02/01/2019  
 () = Nomination Date/Nomination Expires

## Committee Spiritual Requirement

This is a spiritual movement, therefore the tasks and duties of the Black Wall Street USA Inmate Reentry & Recovery National Committee are spiritually based. Any attempt to do this work in your carnal nature will not work. What are those Spiritual markers that MUST be memorized by each committee member?

Spirit of Lord

Spirit of Wisdom

Spirit of Understanding

Spirit of Counsel;

Spirit of Might;

Spirit of Knowledge

Spirit of Fear & Reverence to God

This is not optional.

## BWSUSAIRR MEETING SCHEDULE

BWSUSAIRR Meeting Schedule

NEXT MEETING: Monday, February 11, 2019- 7:00 pm EST

## Black Wall Street USA Active Membership Requirement

This is a spiritual movement, therefore the tasks and duties of our family are spiritually based. Any attempt to do this work in our carnal nature will not work. What are those Spiritual markers:

Spirit of the Lord; Spirit of Wisdom; Spirit of Understanding; Spirit of Counsel; Spirit of Power; Spirit of Knowledge and Spirit of Fear & Reverence to God. These seven spirits must be memorized and spiritually meditated on. In order that this national administration office recognizes the contribution of any participant and votes cast they must be an active Black Wall Street USA Movement member. Meaning all BWSUSAIRR committee members annual dues remain current. No excuses or exceptions. There are no minimum committee seat requirement. BWSUSAIRR committee members are allowed only 3 absences per 12 month time period. Members who's absences that exceeds three will be removed.

# BWSUSAIRR INITIATIVE

[blackwallstreet.org/bwsusairr](http://blackwallstreet.org/bwsusairr)

## Gaps & Barriers to Re-entry

An effective Holistic Re-entry and Rehabilitation System begins with a Cognitive-Behavioral Therapy Program in the inmate's pre-release program. This is to provide clients with the skills to recognize and change the thoughts and behaviors that led them to incarceration. This process provides them with emotional self-management skills and as well as a life plan upon release. Upon release, their other needs: Health & Wellness, Housing, Education, Life Skills & Employability Skills, Employment & Entrepreneurship, and Restoration of Civil Rights must also be concurrently addressed. Woven into their home setting is a continuation of the Cognitive-Behavioral Therapy that provides them with a supportive peer group and the life skills to be successful in living in the outside world.

## Seven Key Areas Met By BWSUSAIRR and Network Partners

The following are the seven key areas that have been identified as needed by clients that clients concurrently as a system obtain their release from prison.

- Cognitive Behavioral Therapy –meeting the emotional-social-behavioral needs at pre- and post-release
- Employment & Entrepreneurship –obtaining employment or entrepreneurial opps for those released
- Housing –meeting housing needs of those released
- Health & Wellness –meeting medical care needs to those released
- Education –meeting education needs of those released
- Life Skills & Employability Skills –meeting the life and employability skills of those releases
- Restoration of Civil Rights –assisting those released obtain the restoration of their civil rights so that they can live as full citizens after they have paid their debt to society PTC-RRC begins with the Cognitive-Behavioral Program, Pathway to Change, being integrated into the clients pre-release program. This is to provide them with the skills to recognize and change the thoughts and behaviors that led them to come to jail/prison.

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### 1. Cognitive Behavioral Therapy:

Residential Advisors (RAs) living at the residential setting where clients are placed after release are Certified Pathway to Change facilitators. They facilitate group therapy sessions where clients are continued in the Pathway to Change process. This group, consisting of former inmates who are now productive-minded individuals equipped with emotional management skills, a sense of purpose, and a life plan, becomes the new peer group for each client member. This CBT therapy forms the foundation of the employability skills training, job training, academic training, and entrepreneurship training that clients receive in order for them to achieve their life goals. The families of the clients are also availed the opportunity to participate in this same process with members of other families of clients; and this group serves as a new peer group and support network for these families as well

### 2. Employment & Entrepreneurship:

Employability skills and job training are provided by BWSUSAIRR while entrepreneurship skills training and job creation are facilitated by BWSUSAIRR. Whether a client is placed on an employment and/or

entrepreneurial track is based what is revealed about the person's life plan during the Pathway to Change process. BWSUSAIRR coordinates with organizations whom provide jobs to clients, provides them the requisite skills training necessary for employment and places them into the job. BWSUSAIRR coordinates the creation of micro-economic ecosystems that create employment for clients through facilitating the investment of corporate funds into social enterprises that both create businesses that provide employment to communities as well as provide a good return on their investment

### 3. Housing:

BWSUSAIRR facilitates the provision of housing accommodation for clients upon their release from incarceration. These accommodations have life-in Residential Advisors whom continue the Pathway to Change CBT group environment for its residents. BWSUSAIRR creates investment opportunities in social enterprise to provide housing for those being released from jail or prison. Targeted Micro Enterprise unites market needs with local micro enterprise investment creating a sustainable infrastructure. Every person released from jail or prison requires housing, in addition to a standing need for affordable housing in most communities, clients returning to society is its own catalyst for housing development. Once the clients secure employment or entrepreneurial income, from these earnings, they contribute to their housing costs.

### 4. Health & Wellness:

BWSUSAIRR facilitates the provision of health insurance and healthcare delivery and wellness activities to those released from incarceration. Depending on the circumstances, this coordinated along with the clients employment. Where clients are trained to create their own businesses, they are able to enter in group health insurance and wellness plans facilitated by either BWSUSAIRR creates housing based on the TME model, healthcare and wellness services are created. Using Target Micro Enterprise, Urgent Care Clinics and Wellness Centers can be created in communities based on the existing capital that circulates in their economic ecosystem. This targeted approach also provides low-risk investment opportunities for organizations interested in social enterprise and making a good return on their investment.

### 5. Education:

BWSUSAIRR facilitates the provision of education serves for clients. These services include literacy skills, GED/High School Diploma, Community College/College, technical trade schools, and certification skills testing. BWSUSAIRR creates education enterprises that are able to provide educational services to meet the education needs of communities within a target microenterprise ecosystem, and expand these offerings to the larger population.

### 6. Life Skills & Employability Skills:

Both BWSUSAIRR provide life skills and employability skills to clients. These skills training are based on the principals provided in Pathway to Change curriculum. These principals are reinforced in the clients residential environment.

### 7. Restoration of Civil Rights:

BWSUSAIRR legal assistance for clients in order to assist them restore their civil rights. The restoration of civil allows clients greater employment opportunities, as well as the right to vote. BWSUSAIRR creates social enterprise opportunities for legal organizations that desire to serve target micro economic ecosystems. In addition, to providing the restoration of civil rights legal work, which creates a positive relationship within the community, these legal organizations are also be to avail themselves of the greater population as clients for other legal work.

## BWSUSAIRR National Director's 3-Fold Vision and Implementation

### One

Preparation: Beginning 6 to 12 months prior to release, volunteers focus on equipping the prisoners with skills, education, and resources needed to make a successful transition to the outside world.

### Two

Transition: When the ex-prisoner leaves the prison gates, reentry volunteers make sure he or she has safe housing, food, clothing, and many other key supports. During the early days of release, most ex-prisoners need daily encouragement and assistance until the initial crisis-levels needed are resolved. Then they need continued weekly contact, spiritual guidance, and emotional support for 6 to 24 months as they find employment, begin to rebuild relationships, and adapt to their new life outside of prison.

### Three

Stabilization: Volunteers continue to disciple and assist the ex-prisoner forward establishing consistent personal habits, healthy relationships, spiritual growth, and church commitment. One very important sign of stabilization is when the ex-prisoner become involved in serving others in the community instead of expecting to be served. This phase is an ongoing aftercare process.

Source: Outreach Reentry Ministry, Inc. West Muscle Shoals, AL

## BWSUSAIRR Initiative Plan of Action for Awareness

Initiative Assignments	March 2019	April 2019	May 2019
30 second Info Video	1	2	3
60 second Info Video	0	1	2
5 Minute Infomercial	0	1	1
Events Produced	1	1	2
Email Broacast (No Spam)	2	4	6
Social Media Posts	100	200	300
Radio Interviews	2	4	6
Press Releases	2	6	12
Conference Calls	1	2	3
TV/Cable interview	1	2	3

Each initiative that the BWSUSAIRR vote to approve for organizational wide implementation must meet the terms of the plan of action listed above. Please feel free to enhance this plan of action. Initiatives that are successful have a well planned out awareness campaign. Each BWSUSAIRR member must Submit at least one initiative here: [blackwallstreet.org/initiative](http://blackwallstreet.org/initiative). Each initiative submitted should be no longer than 10 sentences in length. Excessive and extensive text formats will not be accepted by the National Administration.

Each initiative should cover three main areas:

1. First tell us what the initiative details;
2. Secondly tell us how your team members can assist you in implementing your initiative in the movement;
3. Thirdly, layout your expected objectives and realistic goals.

All BWSUSAIRR council Initiatives (A-Z) must be deliberated in BWSUSAIRR council session and approved by the majority of BWSUSAIRR members are allowed to submit Initiatives. Outside submissions will be removed. All BWSUSAIRR members Black Wall Street USA membership must be active. No exceptions.

## **BWSUSAIRR ANNOUNCEMENTS**

### **BWSUSAIRR Recovery Weekly Open Forum**

Every Thursday at 8pm EST

Host: Willie Simpson, BWSUSAIRR National Director or designee.

Status: Conference call is open to all Black Wall Street USA National members.

The BWSUSAIRR are in close meeting on the 11th of every month.

Conference#: 712.451.0683 Conference Code: 614060

### **BWSUSAIRR INITIATIVES**

Please submit your initiative today. All BWSUSAIRR Initiatives (A-Z) must be deliberated in IRR council session and approved by the majority of the BWSUSAIRR committee. Only Black Wall Street USA IRR council members are allowed to submit Initiatives. Outside submissions will be removed. All IRR members Black Wall Street USA membership must be active. INITIATIVE SUBMISSION FORM: [blackwallstreet.org/initiative](http://blackwallstreet.org/initiative)

## **ASSIGNMENT**

All BWSUSAIRR members are asked to write a minimum two page expository essay on this legislation.

Deadline February 28th. Submit to [bwsusairr@blackwallstreet.org](mailto:bwsusairr@blackwallstreet.org)

### **2018 Criminal Justice Reform Act**

Read about this legislation in detail here:

<http://blackwallstreet.org/bwsusairr2018act>

### **2007 Second Chance Act (H.R. 1593)**

Read about this legislation in detail here:

<http://blackwallstreet.org/bwsusairr2007act>



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