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Ms. Tate is an established professional in the fields of telecommunications and public policy. She has worked as an independent producer of television documentaries and programs on local and national politics, foreign affairs and social issues.

In the office of United States Representative Sheila Jackson Lee, Ms. Tate worked on telecommunications issue. She worked with Congresswoman Jackson Lee to publicly address the issues of the “digital divide” and collaborated with congressional and technology leaders to develop programs that make technology more accessible to underserved populations. She also worked with Representative Jackson-Lee and other congressional and public leaders to coordinate the National Summit on Africa, a delegation of national leaders who advocate positive U.S. foreign policy towards Africa in the areas of trade, debt relief, AIDS prevention and other issues concerning African countries.

In the office of United States Representative Donald Payne, Ms. Tate worked on foreign affairs issues. On behalf of Representative Payne, she focused on several areas of foreign affairs including: the status of the Haitian government, the Taliban in Afghanistan, United States’ immigration policy, and African affairs.

While at the Wireless Telecommunications Bureau of the Federal Communications Commission (FCC), Ms. Tate worked on regulations for the wireless telecommunications industry and conducted extensive research and analysis for the FCC on the problems experienced by small, women and minority-owned businesses when trying to obtain capital financing in order to enter the telecommunications market.

Ms. Tate formerly held the positions of Chief Operating Officer at Multisoft Technologies, an information technology firm in Maryland, and Adjunct Professor of communications law at Bowie State University.

Ms. Tate has also worked on several community service projects. As a member of the Coalition of 100 Black Women in Washington, D.C., she helped to developed community

initiatives such as: opening a home for newborn babies who are abandoned at birth by their parents in local hospitals, lobbying the District of Columbia city council to streamline its adoption laws so that abandoned children can be placed in adoptive homes earlier in their lives, and raising college scholarship money for women.

She developed a tutoring program for District of Columbia public school students and served as a member of the Mayor's Advisory Commission on African Community Affairs in the District of Columbia. Ms. Tate is currently a member of the District of Columbia-Beijing, China Sister City Steering Committee.

Ms. Tate earned a Bachelor of Arts degree from the School of Communications at Howard University, a Juris Doctor from Columbus School of Law at The Catholic University of America, a Certificate of Specialization in Communications Law from the Institute of Communications Law Studies at the Columbus School of Law, and a Graduate Certificate in International Studies, with regional study focused on China, from the School of Advanced International Studies at The Johns Hopkins University.