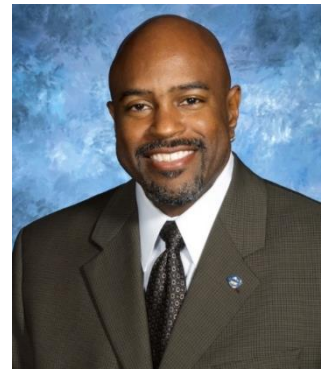


## Troy Bell Brief Bio:



Mr. Troy Bell's diverse and expansive career can be characterized by a common thread involving community organizing, engagement, and social justice. His service includes working as a Miami area police officer to help pay for undergraduate, serving as a large district California School Superintendent, a City Manager, and an IBM executive manager, among other leadership roles. His primary undergraduate focus was Mechanical Engineering and Applied Physics, but he also completed a dual degree program that included economics and sociology (race, poverty, criminal justice) with an internat. finance equivalency.

Troy achieved multiple semesters on the President's list with a GPA of 4.0 and numerous appearances on the Dean's list. He was blessed to be honored as the first African-American elected at-large as the student body president at UM where he also held positions as the Freshmen Orientation Co-Directed, Presidents 100, President of the United Black Students (2 years), President of the Greek Council, a member of the Student Government Senate, Founding Basileus and President of two new campus chapters of Greek letter organizations. Outside of UM he also was elected as the NAACP Southeast Regional Youth Director. During his tenure at the "U", Mr Bell lobbied for the creation of the "Cane Card" (an ID that was also enabled for financial transactions and card access to dorms and facilities). He laid the foundation for the University Airport Shuttle and the UM Student Federal Credit Union, while also bringing national entertainment and speakers to campus that included Jesse Jackson, Earth Wind and Fire, Stanley Jordan and Branford Marcellus, and Spike Lee for the Beaumont Cinema screening of "Do the Right Thing". Troy, in coalition with the Faculty Senate, is responsible for the university's first successful negotiation of a tuition decrease and a 2-year parking fee freeze. The longest serving member and chairman of SAFAC (Student Activity Allocation Committee), he is also credited with successfully redesigning the Student Government Association election system into its current contemporary format to encourage larger and broader representation and participation in student government at the U.

Mr. Bell, who was a National Merit Scholarship finalist, is a former Maryland page and is an esteemed National Urban Fellows fellowship recipient. He earned his Master's in Public Administration from Baruch University in Manhattan, NY and is currently completing a Master's degree in Finance at UM *and* an interdisciplinary PhD at Purdue University in Public Administration and Education with a focus on the design of alternative public local governance systems. Other than family, Mr. Bell is most proud of his role in developing the technology infrastructure for the Universal Health Care Initiative (the ACA precursor in Massachusetts) - single-payer online selection, enrollment, and fulfillment system. And during his time at UM he is most proud of his role in leading the Forsythe, GA protest and, in conjunction with the Miami Chapter of the NAACP, for leading the testing program that resulted in several multimillion-dollar lawsuits that forced employment integration for the hotels and restaurants on Miami Beach for the first time in 1990.

Troy is the proud father of 2 boys - ages 6 and 4 and a daughter - age 11.