

National Transportation Security Center of Excellence Symposium

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***Featuring NTSCOE Research and Educational Projects***

*Engagement of Minority Communities in Public Awareness Programs*

*Case Studies of Hurricane Katrina (2005) and D.C. Sniper ( 2002)*

*Curriculum Development of Homeland Security Studies*

***Strengthening Surface Transportation Security Today...FOR A BETTER TOMORROW***



**Friday, September 23, 2011**

**10:00 AM — 2:00 PM**

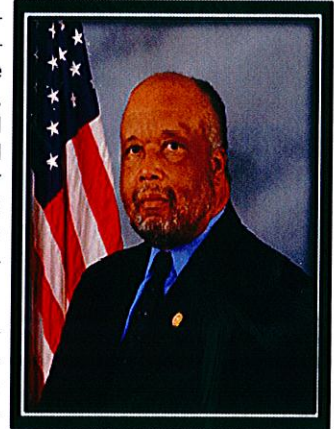
**Bennie G. Thompson Academic and Civil Rights Research Center Lecture Hall**

**500 West County Line Road Tougaloo, MS. 39174**

## HONORING CONGRESSMAN BENNIE G. THOMPSON

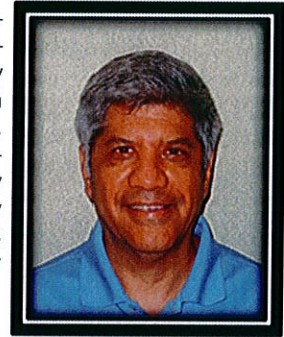
Congressman Bennie G. Thompson is the Ranking Member of the U. S. House of Representative Committee on Homeland Security. Following the horrific terrorist attacks on September 11, 2001 the U. S. Congress took drastic steps to insure that terrorism would not be tolerated in the United States. In 2006, during the 109<sup>th</sup> Congress, he was elected by the U. S. House of Representatives to serve as the first Democratic Chairman of the Homeland Security Committee. As Chairman, Congressman Thompson introduced and engineered House passage of the most comprehensive homeland security package since September 11, 2001- H.R. 1, the "9/11 Commission Recommendations Act of 2007". Congressman Thompson's reputation was one of as a visionary. Thompson's 26 years of experience as a volunteer firefighter motivates him to aggressively advocate on behalf of our law enforcement and first responders.

Tougaloo College Alumni, Congressman Thompson has been married to his college sweetheart, London Johnson of Mound Bayou, Mississippi, for 42 years. Congressman Thompson is an avid outdoorsman who also enjoys gardening, reading, and listening to blues music. The couple has one daughter BendaLonne, one granddaughter, Jeanna and one grandson, Thomas Gordon.



## TC-NTSCOE STAFF MEMBERS

Executive Director Eduardo V. Martinez is an attorney with over 20 years of experience in various types of law. Prior to practicing law he worked for the Equal Employment Opportunity Commission, was a Program Analyst and Crisis Manager at the US Department of State and a Navy officer serving on ships assigned to the Pacific Fleet. Following the Navy, he graduated from law school and served as a Special Assistant Attorney General and as an Administrative Judge. He was Corporate Counsel at SkyTel Corporation then was Site Director at WorldCom Broadband Solutions. As Executive Director of Tougaloo College's National Transportation Security Center of Excellence he has brought nearly 30 years of homeland security and emergency management to the campus. His latest efforts in emergency management was with the US Navy as the state's liaison officer which included Hurricane Gustav and the BP Deepwater Horizon Oil Spill. He resides in Madison, MS with his wife and has two children.



Rita Royals is the Project Manager of Curriculum Development and is a native of Grenada. She served on the Tougaloo College Interdisciplinary Curriculum Committee for the Curriculum Development Project and has taught psychology classes at Tougaloo College. She holds a Masters Degree in Counseling Psychology from the University of Southern Mississippi. Rita served as Executive Director for Mississippi Attorneys for Constitutional Justice. Rita was also Executive Director for Mississippi Coalition Against Sexual Assault, a coalition of nine rape crisis centers. She lives in Jackson with her husband and has two daughters.



Sharon Reed is the Project Manager of the Research Project, Engagement of Minority Communities in Public Awareness Programs. Sharon is a native of Farmerville, Louisiana and a graduate of Grambling State University with a Master's in Social Work. She is also a graduate of Southern University with a Bachelor of Science in Rehabilitation Psychology. Upon her military commission Sharon was in the Army Reserves until 1994 when she was Honorably Discharged at the rank of Captain. Her previous experience include Intensive Out Patient Director, Social Worker in Mental Health, Nephrology, Hospice, Child Services and Independent Consultant. Sharon is an entrepreneur who creates motivational and inspirational designs. She is also the President of the Grambling State University Alumni in Jackson, MS. She is married, lives in Ridgeland, has two daughters and one grandchild.



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*NTSCOE Research and Educational Projects*

Invocation.....Dr. Larry Johnson  
Director, Institutional Research

Greetings.....Rita Royals  
Curriculum Development Project Manager

Recognition of Special Guests.....Sharon Reed  
EMCAPS Project Manager

**Presentations**

*Morning Session*  
10:30 AM—11:30 AM

Curriculum Development Project.....Rita Royals  
Public Awareness Project.....Sharon Reed  
D.C. Sniper Case Study..... Dr. Eduardo Martinez

*Lunch (11:30 AM—12:30 PM)*  
*Holmes Hall Auditorium*

*Afternoon Session*  
12:30 PM —2:00 PM

Engagement of Minority Communities in Public Awareness Campaigns (EMCAPS).....Dr. Shaila Khan, Researcher  
Murrietta Jones, Intern  
Lauryn Joyce, Intern

Behavioral Awareness Research Project.....Dr. Madhu Singh, Faculty Fellow  
Tia Caston, Intern  
Allison Johnson, Intern  
Ro'chelle Williams, Intern

Hurricane Katrina Case Study .....Dr. Eduardo Martinez, Executive Director

Homeland Security Association.....Mohamed Mohamed, Intern

Closing Remarks.....Dr. Eduardo Martinez

# Special Thanks

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*Ben Warren*

## **NTSCOE 2010—2011 Interns**

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*Murrietta Jones*

*Mohamed Mohamed, President, Homeland Security Association*

*Ro' chelle Williams*

*Alan Young*

*Tia Caston*

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*Homeland Security Studies Curriculum Development Task Force*



**Be alert and aware of your surroundings at all times**

**If it looks suspicious report the situation...**

**It never hurts to be cautious**

**Mistakes can be overlooked and**

**Hurt feelings can be forgiven, but**

**A life can never be replaced**

**Always striving for excellence**

**Sharon Reed**