



**THURSDAY, APRIL 20, 2017**  
**NETWORKING RECEPTION**

6:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m.

**Hosted by**

The Honorable Bradford T. “Brad” Thompson

**Entertainment by**

Sandra Dubose

Music by DJ Zell Lucas

**FRIDAY, APRIL 21, 2017**

**OPENING SESSION**

**Presented by Google**

8:30 a.m. - 10:00 a.m.

**Call to Order**

The Honorable Viola Harris  
Chair, Alliance of NC Black Elected Officials  
Commissioner, Edgecombe County

**Invocation**

Rev. Sydney Dunston  
Commissioner, Franklin County

**Commitment Statements**

ANCBEQ Members and Partners

**Introduction of Speaker**

Ms. Lilyn Hester  
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**Keynote Remarks**

Maurice “Mo” Greene, J.D.  
Executive Director  
Z. Smith Reynolds Foundation

**Conference Overview**

Courtney A. Crowder  
Executive Director  
Alliance of NC Black Elected Officials

**BREAK**

10:00 a.m. - 10:15 a.m.

**BREAKOUT POLICY SESSIONS**

10:15 a.m. – 11:30 a.m.

**Session I: Education and The Community:  
Addressing Low-Performing Schools**

- **Representative Ed Hanes**, NC House, District 72
- **James Ford**, Program Director, NC Public School Forum
- **Ann McColl, J.D.**, Everett Gaskins Hancock, LLP
- **Dr. Eric Hall**, Incoming Superintendent, NC Achievement School District
- **The Honorable Keith Sutton**, Chair, NC Caucus of Black School Board Members and BEST NC (Moderator)

**Session II: Criminal Justice Reform and the Community**

- **Representative Rodney Moore**, NC House, District 99
- **Captain Michael Terry**, Commander Patrol District 4, Greensboro Police Dept.
- **Tamika Lewis**, Program Coordinator, Blueprint NC
- **Jeremy Collins, J.D.**, Director-Counsel, Racial Equity Project (Moderator)

**FRIDAY, APRIL 21, 2017**

**THE SENATOR JEANNE H. LUCAS LUNCHEON**

12:00 p.m. - 1:45 p.m.

NC Senator Valerie Foushee, Presiding

**Invocation**

The Honorable Calvin Jones  
Warren County Board of Education  
Board of Directors  
Alliance of NC Black Elected Officials

**Introduction of Special Presentation**

Courtney A. Crowder  
Executive Director  
Alliance of NC Black Elected Officials

**SPECIAL PANEL DISCUSSION**

**Voices of History Makers**

**The Honorable Howard Lee**  
Retired NC Senate  
NC State Board of Education

**Ms. Andrea Harris**  
Retired NC Institute of Minority  
Economic Development

**Closing**

The Honorable Valerie P. Foushee, NC Senate  
Vice Chair  
Alliance of NC Black Elected Officials

**BREAKOUT POLICY SESSIONS**

2:00 p.m. - 3:15 p.m.

**Session III: Organizing Our Community Power**

- **Gerald Taylor**, Executive Director, Advance Carolina
- **Marcus Bass**, Campaign Director, Democracy North Carolina
- **Carolyn L. Smith**, North Carolina State Director, Working America
- **The Honorable Brad Thompson**, ANCBEO (Moderator)

**Session IV: 2017 Legislative Update**

- **NC Senator Erica Smith-Ingram**, Vice Chair, NC Legislative Black Caucus, District 3
- **Representative Robert T. Reives, II**, Deputy Democratic Leader, NC House, District 54
- **Allison Riggs**, Staff Attorney, Southern Coalition for Social Justice
- **Courtney Crowder**, Executive Director, ANCBEO (Moderator)

**TOWN HALL SESSION**

**Building for the Future: A Conversation**

3:30 p.m. - 5:00 p.m.

**Moderator, Dr. Forest Toms**

Leadership Studies, NC A&T State University

**Featuring:**

- **Secretary Michael Regan**, Department of Environmental Quality
- **Ms. Bree Newsome**, Southern Vision Alliance
- **Ms. Valerie Jordan**, Board Member, NC Department of Transportation
- **Representative Chaz Beasley**, NC House, District 92

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**THE RALPH CAMPBELL JR. LEADERSHIP RECEPTION**

6:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m.

**PROGRAM**

**Special Guest**

**The Honorable Michael Blake**

New York State Assemblyman (D-Bronx)

**Featuring:** Member Organizations' Chairs, Presidents, Elected Officials and Advocates

**Music by** Lartey Cade

**THE 12TH ANNUAL NC BLACK SUMMIT BANQUET**

**Presented by AT&T**

7:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m.

**Negro National Anthem**

"North Carolina Heroes" (All Rise)

**Welcome**

The Honorable Viola Harris  
Edgecombe County Board of Commissioners  
Chair, Alliance of NC Black Elected Officials

**Invocation**

The Honorable Moses Matthews  
Martin County Board of Commissioners  
Board of Directors  
Alliance of NC Black Elected Officials

*Dinner Served*

**Musical Selections**

Ms. Carly P. Jones, Vocalist

**Recognition of Partners & Sponsors**

The Honorable Richard Hooker  
Cleveland County Board of Education  
Board of Directors  
Alliance of NC Black Elected Officials

**Sponsor Remarks**

Carlos E. Sanchez  
AT&T North Carolina

**Introduction of Speaker**

The Honorable Valerie Foushee, NC Senate  
Vice Chair, Alliance of NC Black Elected Officials

**Keynote Address**

The Honorable Alvin Brown  
Former Mayor, Jacksonville, FL  
Georgetown University Institute for Politics and  
Public Service

**Special Recognition**

Courtney A. Crowder, Executive Director

**Announcements & Closing**

The Honorable Viola Harris  
Edgecombe County Board of Commissioners  
Chair, Alliance of NC Black Elected Officials