

## National Top Speaker, Patricia Russell-McCloud, Featured Keynote At 2015 Women's Leadership Conference, July 13-14

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Sponsored by The MGM Resorts Foundation, the conference provides a forum to discuss career challenges faced by women in the workplace; career development strategies; tips on work-life balance, and networking opportunities LAS VEGAS, June 23, 2015 /PRNewswire/ -- The MGM Resorts Foundation is proud to announce Patricia Russell-McCloud as a keynote speaker at the 2015 Women's Leadership Conference. The non-profit event will be held at MGM Grand Hotel & Casino in Las Vegas, NV July 13 and 14.

Russell-McCloud, named one of the top five business motivators in the country by Black Enterprise Magazine, has more than 20 years on the lecture circuit and is categorized as one of the nation's best speakers. Each year she speaks to more than 200,000 people in private and public organizations in the U.S. and around the world. Her style is engaging, highly substantive, well-researched, entertaining and unforgettable.

The 2015 Women's Leadership Conference theme is "Women Inspiring Women." The two-day conference, which sold out last year, will offer a wide range of learning opportunities, career guidance and personal growth tools, including:

- Exposure to diverse, nationally recognized speakers and accomplished women role models
- Career-oriented workshops that will give participants hands-on opportunities to develop skills based on their career needs
- Three distinct learning tracks for participants who are Emerging Leaders, Emerging Executives and Executives

Patricia Russell-McCloud encourages her audiences to surmount every obstacle that stands between them and the possible. Her client list includes, but is not limited to, AT&T, General Motors, McDonald's, Northrop Grumman, General Electric, Xerox and Proctor & Gamble.

As a member of the Council on Legal Education Opportunity, she studied at Harvard University. She earned her Juris Doctorate Degree at Howard University School of Law, Washington D.C. Prior to her speaking career, she was an

attorney with the Federal Communications Commission. She decided to follow her true passion of being a business entrepreneur and global speaker. Born in Indianapolis, IN, and graduating from Kentucky State University she knew her true career was to prepare meaningful presentations for diverse audiences. She has received many honors, including being presented more than 300 keys to American cities. She has been featured in ESSENCE Magazine and in EBONY Magazine as one of the most influential people in the United States and featured as the cover story of SPEAKER magazine, National Speaker's Association 2007.

The Women's Leadership Conference is open to women of all ethnicities, professions and social backgrounds, locally and nationally, and the men who support them. The MGM Resorts Foundation is the conference's presenting sponsor. Proceeds of the conference after costs will be donated to one or more local nonprofit agencies devoted to the welfare and development of women and girls.

Registration is \$375, which includes the full conference and all workshops and lectures; a networking reception, and continental breakfasts and lunches catered by MGM Grand. Time is also allotted for attendees to build key professional relationships with other conference participants while enjoying the hospitality and entertainment of MGM Grand and other resorts of MGM Resorts International.

Participating sponsorships are available to organizations or companies who share the vision and goals of this conference. Current sponsors include CBS – Radio; The Coca-Cola Company; Ernst & Young; Nevada Public Radio, and Cox Communications. For more information about the Women's Leadership Conference, please visit:

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