

## **Cleve Warren**

### **Background Summary**

Cleve is a native of Jacksonville, Florida; having received a Bachelor of Science Degree in Business Administration from the University of North Florida, and a Master's Degree in Business Administration from Jacksonville University. Cleve is a proud graduate of William M. Raines Senior High School, a member of the Raines High School Outstanding Alumni Hall of Fame, and a recipient of the Raines High School 2010 Valiant Viking Award.

Cleve is recognized in the Jacksonville community for his tireless engagement in civic and philanthropic activities and for his sober approach to community leadership. He is an alumnus of both Leadership Jacksonville and Leadership Florida, and an alum of the Northeast Florida Nonprofit Center's Community Coaches Program.

Cleve has served on the board of directors for several local and statewide civic, educational, non-profit, and for-profit organizations. He currently serves on the board of the Tournament Players Championship Advisory Board, the Leadership Jacksonville Board of Directors, the Eartha M.M. White Legacy Fund Advisory Board, the Jacksonville Public Education Fund Advisory Board, and the Baptist Health Systems and Baptist Health Foundation Board of Directors.

Cleve is a former Chair of the Board of Trustees for Florida A&M University, was former Chairman of the Board of Directors for the Jacksonville Transportation Authority and the Nonprofit Center of Northeast and is a former Commissioner of the 4th Judicial Circuit Nominating Commission.

Among Cleve's other awards and recognitions, he is a recipient of the University of North Florida; Coggin School of Business, Outstanding Alumni Award, the OneJax Humanitarian of the Year Award, the Police Athletic League Award for Community Service, the First Coast Business Hall of Fame Award, the Jacksonville Business Journal Veterans of Influence award, the Leadership Jacksonville Community Trustee Award, and the City of Jacksonville's 2015 and 2024 UNCF Champion for Education Award.

Cleve is currently Chief Investment Officer for Florida State College at Jacksonville (FSCJ), and Chief Investment and Advancement Relations Officer for Florida State College at Jacksonville Foundation. He has also served as the College's Chief Financial Officer, its Interim Vice President of Finance and Administration, and as the Foundation's Executive Director.

Cleve's professional experiences include his tenure as Vice President and Corporate Banking Officer with the Barnett Bank of Jacksonville, a National Banking Officer with

Wachovia Bank and Trust, and a former Senior Vice President and Manager of Commercial Lending with Community First Bank of Jacksonville. Cleve also served as President and Chief Executive Officer of Essential Capital Finance, Inc., a Vice President at Captrust Financial Advisors, and as founder, majority partner, and Chief Operating Officer for The Players Group International, LLP.

Cleve's varied experiences also include his senior management service in state and local government where he served as Executive Director of the Florida Black Business Investment Board under Florida Governor Bob Martinez, and as Chief of Economic Development for the City of Jacksonville under Mayor Ed Austin.

Cleve is a retired U.S. Army Lieutenant Colonel, having served with distinction on active duty in the U.S. Air Force, and in the U. S. Army National Guard and Reserve. He is a recipient of the Defense Meritorious Service Medal and the Meritorious Service Medal for his service to the Joint Chiefs of Staff and the National Command Authority during "Operation Nobel Anvil" in Kosovo.

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