Biographical Description for The HistoryMakers® Video Oral History with David Ewing

PERSON

Ewing, David, 1967-

Alternative Names: David Ewing;

Life Dates: March 29, 1967-

Place of Birth: Nashville, Tennessee, USA

Residence: Nashville, Tennessee

Occupations: Lawyer

Biographical Note

Attorney David Steele Ewing was born on March 29, 1967, in Nashville, Tennessee, to Florence Steele Ewing Kidd and Dr. Richard Albert Ewing, III. Possibly descended from Andrew Jackson, he is a ninth-generation Nashville resident and direct descendant of Prince Albert Ewing, the first African American to practice law in Tennessee and a six time judge. Ewing attended Peabody Demonstration School from nursery school to the twelfth grade. In his undergraduate studies Ewing was on the rowing team at Connecticut College, from which he received his B.A. degree in 1985. Ewing later earned his J.D. degree from Vanderbilt University Law School in 1989.

In 1993, Ewing served as director of legal and government services for the Tennessee Higher Education Commission. Joining Gaylord Entertainment Company in 1999, Ewing served as director of government and community relations. In 2004, The Nashville Area Chamber of Commerce (NACC) announced the addition of Ewing to the organization's senior management team. Ewing, a 12-year government relations veteran, assumed the newly created role of senior vice president of government relations and community improvement. In this capacity, he directed programs and initiatives that bolstered five of the Chamber's eight strategic areas, including supporting the community commitment to education; supporting the development of a comprehensive regional transportation infrastructure; celebrating cultural diversity; assuring a vital downtown; and providing advocacy within the government.

Ewing served on the board of over twenty different civic organizations and businesses, including Capital Bank & Trust; Summit Medical Center; Cheekwood Museum of Art; the Nashville Opera; and Middle Tennessee Boys & Girls Club. Ewing is a collector of local African American history and culture. Ewing married noted Nashville author Alice Randall.

Related Entries

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Hermitage Board [MEMBEROF]
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   Board Member
Cheekwood Botanical Gardena and Museum of Art [MEMBER OF]
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