



Candidate Name: **Talika Buster (Brown)**

Position: **Secretary**

Candidate Bio

My name is Talika Buster (Brown). I am running for the position of Secretary. I was born and raised in Washington DC, but then moved to Prince George's County, MD. I graduated from Suitland High School in 1996 and then continued my education to attend THE North Carolina Central University. I majored and received my Bachelor's degree in May 2000 in Political Science with a minor in Business Administration. I was also initiated in Spring 2000 as a member of the Alpha Chi Chapter of Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Inc. I currently reside in Clinton, MD with my husband Demetrius Buster and our son Jeremiah. I love going to the beach, volunteering and spending time with my family

and friends. My volunteer participation include: local schools in my area with mentor/mentee programs, Shepard's Cove shelter, Voter Registration drives, the NCCU Alumni Association (national) and the Metro DC Chapter of the NCCU Alumni Association, which I am an active and paid member of both. I have been employed in the Federal Government for over 20 years with several agencies. For the last 14 years I have been at the State Department and look forward to retirement from there one day. I am running for office as I have been assisting with this position for the past two years and have grown very fond of the position. I want to continue to give back to my alma mater by giving my time and dedication to serve with my fellow eagles.

What does Truth & Service mean to you?

As this is the motto of North Carolina Central University "Truth and Service" to me means being 100% you at all times and being dedicated. Knowing that your time and effort is priceless and cannot be measured. Being honest with yourself that every effort you make is coming from your heart. It's REAL. It is efforts of your passion and your feelings. To have truth and service to me is fulfilling the many shoes and following the path of the many eagles before me. And paving the way for future eagles to come.

What are three goals you have for the position you are seeking?

The three goals that I have for this position: 1) to make sure the secretary is visible and available as needed to all members of the organization; 2) to assist in providing accurate and current details of all meetings, events and correspondence as needed and 3) to be able to multi task, step in as needed and assist with any role(s).