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Richard Lui
*MSNBC Anchor*

Richard Lui has more than 30 years in television, technology, and business—often addressing Fortune 500 and Silicon Valley firms as a thought leader in media, marketing, and storytelling.

Currently, he is a journalist and news anchor for MSNBC and NBC News. In 2007 while at CNN Worldwide he became the first Asian American male in U.S. history to anchor a daily national news broadcast. Most recently, Lui reported on the ground on the Paris and San Bernardino Terror Attacks and in Ferguson and Baltimore during heightened unrest.

Lui is also a technologist with a wide-reaching business career launching five technology brands over three technology cycles, most recently a Silicon Valley artificial intelligence company in 2016. While at Citibank Singapore, he co-founded and patented a Visa-like payments backbone and was a management consultant at Mercer for an IBM joint venture. Lui sits on four boards of directors/advisers in spaces ranging from international relations to artificial intelligence, as well as for Annie Cannons, a not-for-profit that teaches coding skills to survivors of human trafficking and violence against women (https://www.anniecannons.com). Lui is also a 2016 Governance Fellow for the National Association of Corporate Directors.

Lui’s has been recognized for his reporting by national organizations, including the Multicultural Media Correspondents Dinner at the National Press Club, the National Education Association, Advancing Justice, AAJA, NAAAP 100 and WWAAC, in addition to being a team Emmy and team Peabody recipient. He is ranked globally in the top 1% of social media users by Twitter Counter.
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The NMSDC Leadership Awards honors corporate executives, supplier diversity professionals, minority business owners and an affiliate council president for their exemplary leadership.

**MBE OF THE YEAR AWARD**

The MBE of the Year Award is presented to the owner of an NMSDC-certified minority business enterprise who has been actively engaged within the NMSDC network for a minimum of two years. The up and coming or seasoned recipient demonstrates exceptional leadership, is paving the way for other MBEs and is fully committed to minority supplier development and supporting the NMSDC network.

**SUPPLIER DIVERSITY PROFESSIONAL OF THE YEAR AWARD**

The Supplier Diversity Professional of the Year Award is presented to a national corporate member with at least two years of experience in a corporate supplier diversity role. The up and coming or seasoned recipient demonstrates exceptional action, engagement and leadership in supplier diversity and in support of NMSDC’s mission.

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NMSDC is pleased to recognize the range of leaders within the network from new faces to industry stalwarts for the positive impact they have had on minority supplier development.
Anjali Ramakumaran
Chief Executive Officer
Ampcus Inc.

PROFILE:
Anjali “Ann” Ramakumaran, Founder and CEO of Ampcus Inc. (Ampcus), is a technology savvy entrepreneur with more than 15 years of contribution towards the design, development and delivery of leading edge Technology Solutions and Human Capital Management across the globe. Under her leadership she has cultivated Ampcus into a fast growing Consulting and Professional Services firm. For eight consecutive years (2009-2016), she has been recognized as a top Asian American owned business by the USPAACC.

In addition, for the past seven consecutive years (2010-2016), she has been honored as one of the 50 Fastest Growing Women Owned Businesses in the CONUS by the Women Presidents Organization. Under Ann’s leadership, Ampcus has made the Inc. 500/5000 list and has been recognized as a Top Diversity Business for the past 7 years (2010-2016). Ann was also awarded Women in Technology Entrepreneur of the Year by WIT and most recently received the Chairman’s Award for Inspirational Leadership from the CRMSDC. Ampcus has also received the Global Growth Award from Astra Women’s Business Alliance, Supplier of the Year Award from the GMSDC and the Top Asian American Business Award from the USPAACC-SE.

Ann works closely with her Advisory Board, whose advice/input on strategy and direction helps her drive the company to attain its vision of being one of the largest and most successful high performing Professional Services companies globally. She has been actively involved in executing a consultative methodology to define, qualify and quantify Ampcus’ target clients, determine their strategic IT and business objectives and from this developed solutions which proactively address their current and evolving demands and needs.

Ann holds her Bachelor’s and Master’s degrees in Business and Commercial Management from India and has completed Executive Management from the Robins School of Business, University of Richmond Virginia and an Advanced Management from the Kellogg School of Management Northwestern University Illinois.

LEADERSHIP INSPIRATION:
My leadership inspiration in the early years was my Mother and in business I have had several that have inspired me at each stage of my business.

INTERESTING FACT:
I am a very good singer, not many people know that.

FAVORITE LEADERSHIP QUOTE:
“Be Yourself” - This is from my mother.
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Jackie LaJoie
Supplier Diversity Manager
Ingersoll Rand

PROFILE:
Jackie LaJoie joined Ingersoll Rand in September 2012. She has overall leadership responsibility for Supplier Diversity and Supplier Sustainability at Ingersoll Rand. In this role, she is responsible for building world class programs and driving results around supplier diversity strategy throughout the enterprise as well as supplier sustainability in areas such as conflict minerals and environmental initiatives.

In her supplier diversity leadership role, Jackie created a strategic plan for Ingersoll Rand based on NMSDC’s Best Practices to ensure a successful and sustainable program that creates jobs for supplier partners, economic growth for local communities, and customers for life for Ingersoll Rand. Specifically, to ensure sustainability and future growth of the program, she created a robust program and various supplier development initiatives to equip 41 direct and indirect commodity teams to identify and document supplier requirements and opportunities.

Under Jackie’s leadership, Ingersoll Rand spend with minority-owned businesses has increased 228% over the past three years. Jackie’s work also resulted in a $50,000 grant from the Ingersoll Rand Foundation to support an NMSDC Center of Excellence with the TriState MSDC, which launched in August 2016. As a result, 10 corporations and 20+ minority-owned businesses are spending 18 months working together to improve the corporations’ supplier diversity programs, and build capacity and increase business opportunities for the MBEs.

Prior to joining Ingersoll Rand, she served as vice president of the Carolinas-Virginia Minority Supplier Development Council, director of Supplier Diversity at Merck and manager of Supplier Diversity at legacy AT&T.

LEADERSHIP INSPIRATION:
My mother. She always pushed me to aim high and to be the best that I could be, but only better; to do all that I can, but even more; and to always remember that who you say you are is also reflected by how you treat others. Those themes are central to who I am and try to be.

INTERESTING FACT:
I am a published poet and attended my undergraduate Alma Mater, Clark Atlanta University, a Historically Black College and University (HBCU) in some part on a music scholarship as part of the CAU Philharmonic Society.

FAVORITE LEADERSHIP QUOTE:
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Gene Waddy
Chief Executive Officer
DIVERSANT

PROFILE:
Gene C. Waddy is a visionary entrepreneur and owner of DIVERSANT LLC, the nation’s largest African-American owned IT staffing and solutions firm. In many ways, DIVERSANT is a reflection of Gene’s professional expertise, personal drive, and his commitment to helping others. The company has enjoyed dramatic growth, even during the economic downturn, and has developed a reputation for excellence among numerous Fortune 500 companies.

In his local community, Gene coaches minority youth about how they can get involved with technology and use it to advance their careers and lives. Gene is an active member of the Board of Directors of PACE Monmouth. PACE, the Program for Acceleration in Careers of Engineering, is a science and engineering awareness program in which professionals volunteer their time to work with local minority high school students to help prepare them for technical careers. Gene also serves as an active board member with Marion P. Thomas Charter School in Newark, and the New Jersey Tech Council. A member of Alpha Phi Alpha, the country’s first African-American fraternity, Gene is very active in many of their community service programs. Gene was named the 2013 Ernst & Young Entrepreneur of the Year New Jersey winner, as well as a 2011 NJBiz Executive of the Year Finalist.

The son of two Harlemites, Gene was raised in New Jersey; Gene attended Fairleigh Dickinson University where he earned his B.S. in Mechanical Engineering. A “Jersey Guy” at heart, Gene chose to stay in his home state where he now resides with his wife and children.

LEADERSHIP INSPIRATION:
What inspires me as a servant leader is the degree to which one can change the lives of others for the better through faithful adherence to solid core values and the consistent drive towards results.

INTERESTING FACT:
I have suffered from hearing loss since childhood and I taught myself how to read lips and developed other coping mechanisms to be able to function in society. Overcoming that disability has given me the belief that all things are possible - that hard work coupled with the management of fear is key to success.

FAVORITE LEADERSHIP QUOTE:
"...the first responsibility of a leader is to define reality. The last is to say thank you. In between, the leader is a servant.” - Max DePree
Gary Kallenbach
Chief Procurement Officer
UPS

PROFILE:
As the Chief Procurement Officer for UPS, Gary Kallenbach and his team manage all indirect and enterprise-wide complex commodities, including system technologies (hardware and software), professional services, energy and fuel purchases (diesel, air, LNG, propane). In addition, he is responsible for the UPS procure-to-pay process redesign and strategy. Gary also leads the company’s supplier diversity initiatives.

Prior to his current role, Gary served in a variety of executive level procurement positions at UPS. Before that, he was a Region Controller in the Midwest, District Controller for Long Island and New York, and an Accounting Manager in Chicago. He began his career with UPS as a loader, unloader and driver before beginning his management career as an Accounting Supervisor in Wisconsin. He has been with UPS for more than 39 years. Gary holds a Bachelor of Science degree in Accounting and Finance from the University of Wisconsin, Eau Claire.

In addition to his Procurement responsibilities, Gary currently serves on the board of the NMSDC. He actively supports organizations like the U.S. Pan Asian American Chamber of Commerce (USPAACC), Women’s Business Enterprise National Council (WBENC), United States Hispanic Chamber of Commerce (USHCC), and National Urban League, to name a few. Previously he served on the board of directors for Ramapo College of New Jersey. Internally, Gary serves on UPS’s Diversity and Inclusion Advisory Council.

Under his supplier diversity leadership, UPS has received numerous awards, including the Best Corporations for Veteran-Owned Businesses, America’s Top 50 Organizations for Multicultural Business Opportunities, and America’s Top Corporation for Women Business Enterprises from the Women’s Business Enterprise National Council. UPS is one of only three companies to have received this honor for 17 consecutive years.

LEADERSHIP INSPIRATION:
Albert Einstein

INTERESTING FACT:
I am a very active humanitarian and support local non-profit organizations like the Center for Pan Asian Community Services. I also love ballroom dancing and enjoy travelling with my dynamic wife, Jessica Kallenbach.

FAVORITE LEADERSHIP QUOTE:
You’re never a loser until you quit trying. - Mike Ditka
PROFILE:
Eric Watson is President and CEO of the Carolinas-Virginia Minority Supplier Development Council (CVMSDC). Watson is responsible for the development and execution of strategy to achieve CVMSDC’s vision and goals of advancing business opportunities between major corporations and minority business enterprises in North Carolina, South Carolina and Central Virginia. His responsibilities also include membership and funding outreach, as well as, leadership of day- to- day operations related to services, programs, education, and staff and fiscal management.

Watson has 38 years of experience in operations management, including more than 25 years in the field of diversity and inclusion. Watson has developed strategies that impact business success through creating a vision for managing diversity, designing leadership mentoring programs to promote diversity, and establishing an accountability system for business diversity.

For 10 years, Watson held leadership roles at Delhaize America, beginning as Vice President of Diversity and Inclusion of Food Lion in 2003. From 2007-2009, he served on Food Lion’s Executive Committee and led the Talent Acquisition department. In 2010, he became Vice President of Diversity & Inclusion for all of Delhaize America.

Among others, Watson has received the following recognitions for his community and diversity & inclusion work: Multicultural Forum on Workplace Diversity Trailblazer Award, La Noticia Excelente Award for Non-Latin Person Most Supportive of the Latino Community and the Carolinas Asian-American Chamber of Commerce Award for Leadership and Support. He is also the recipient of the Thurgood Marshall College Fund-Award of Excellence, Urban League of Central Carolinas Whitney M. Young Award and was honored as Savoy Magazine’s Top 100 Most Influential Blacks in Corporate America. Watson was also inducted into Livingstone College’s Leaders’ Hall of Fame and Sports Hall of Fame.

Watson currently serves on the Board of Calibr Global Leadership Network and is a member of the Board of Visitors at Johnson C. Smith University and the Board of Visitors at Livingstone College. He serves on the Board of Directors for the Charlotte Post, the Charlotte chapter of the National Black MBA Association’s Advisory Board and the Young Black Males Leadership Alliance (YBM). Watson holds a bachelor’s degree in English literature from Livingstone College in Salisbury, N.C.

LEADERSHIP INSPIRATION:
Nelson Mandela
“We must possess a proud rebelliousness, a stubborn sense of fairness and accountable stewardship.”

INTERESTING FACT:
I cook for a hobby.

FAVORITE LEADERSHIP QUOTE:
“I’ve learned that people will forget what you said, people will forget what you did, but people will never forget how you made them feel.”
- Maya Angelou
“Great leaders are almost always great simplifiers, who can cut through argument, debate, and doubt to offer a solution everybody can understand.” — Colin Powell
Peter Kiriacoulacos
Chief Procurement Officer and Executive Vice President
Comcast Cable and NBCUniversal

PROFILE:
As the Chief Procurement Officer of Comcast Cable and NBCUniversal, Peter Kiriacoulacos is responsible for the combined procurement function and developing and guiding strategies to help achieve commercial synergies. Peter and his team serve as lead negotiators for enterprise-wide capital and associated operating expense, including all hardware, technology, software licenses, professional services, as well as third-party call centers and service level agreements. Peter also oversees the Company’s supplier diversity initiatives, and the Comcast Cable real estate group with a national portfolio of owned and leased properties.

Prior to joining Comcast, Peter served as Vice President of Global Procurement at Liberty Global Inc. and resided in Europe. He also has over 20 years of experience in multinational environments, having held the position of Vice President of Corporate Procurement and Strategic Partnerships at Amsterdam-based companies United Global Communications Europe and United Pan-Europe Communications.

Peter holds a Bachelor of Science and post-graduate degrees in Commerce from the University of South Australia, Adelaide. He also serves as a National Trustee Board Member for the Boys and Girls Clubs of America. Peter resides in Philadelphia with his wife.

LEADERSHIP INSPIRATION:
Manage by example.

INTERESTING FACT:
I’ve lived half my life outside of the country I was born.

FAVORITE LEADERSHIP QUOTE:
“It’s far better to buy a wonderful company at a fair price than a fair company at a wonderful price.”
- Warren Buffett
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PROFILE:
Professor Greenhalgh is the faculty director of programs for minority, Native American, and women-owned businesses at Tuck Business School at Dartmouth College. He comes from a practitioner background that includes managing purchasing in a multinational corporation, entrepreneurship, and management consulting. Born and raised in England and educated in the United States, his PhD from Cornell University builds on undergraduate studies in engineering and science, and an MBA. He has been at the Tuck School since 1978, and has also taught at Stanford University, Cornell University, and MIT. In addition to his MBA teaching, he has done executive education at Tuck, Dartmouth College, Stanford University, Oxford University, Cornell University, London Business School, University of North Carolina, and Duke University.

Professor Greenhalgh has also done extensive executive education, research, and consulting with organizations and corporations around the world. He has traveled in more than 40 countries, including international assignments in the U.K., Australia, Germany, Italy, Turkey, Brazil, Puerto Rico, Spain, Switzerland, and Canada.

He is the author of Minority Business Success: Refocusing on the American Dream (2011, with James H. Lowry). His areas of expertise include (1) strategy and strategy implementation; (2) the local economies of inner cities and Indian reservations; (3) entrepreneurial business; and (4) effects of globalization and changing demographics on business. He has also written more than 130 articles, book chapters, monographs, cases, and professional papers. He has been appointed to the Advisory Board for the Special Trustee for American Indians, and confirmed by the White House. His work in helping minority business is reflected in the Lifetime Achievement Award conferred by the Minority Business Development Agency, US Department of Commerce, his appointment as a Board Member, Urban Entrepreneur Partnership, and his listing among 100 Men in Supplier Diversity and a DiversityPlus Top 30 Champion of Diversity.

LEADERSHIP INSPIRATION:
My leadership inspiration largely comes from my father, an ethical but uneducated laborer. He taught me that we’re all equal, but we have unequal opportunities. As a white male living in the United States, I have taken advantage of opportunities that have been available to me but denied to women and people of color. My mission has been to help people make the most of their opportunities, and to make America honor the guarantees of its Constitution.

INTERESTING FACT:
When I’m at my home on the coast of Maine, I run an 86-acre wildlife sanctuary, which I created by reversing the damage done by a century of strip mining. So when I’m not helping minorities to succeed, I’m probably sitting in a 35-ton excavator, transforming rock piles into wetlands and wildlife ponds.

FAVORITE LEADERSHIP QUOTE:
“We are caught in an inescapable network of mutuality, tied in a single garment of destiny. Whatever affects one directly, affects all indirectly.”
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