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### Media Advisory

## Donna Brazile Brings Political Commentary To Sojourner-Douglass College

Baltimore, MD – On Thursday, December 4, 2008, Donna Brazile, veteran democratic political strategist, author and television commentator (CNN and ABC News) joined Sojourner-Douglass College supporting the College's new Political Campaign Management programs. Board members, State and local elected officials, Sojourner-Douglass College students, faculty, campus directors, community supporters and others from Baltimore, Washington and surrounding areas, joined President Charles W. Simmons to discuss the implications of Barack Obama's election as President of the United States of America.

The 500-seat auditorium was filled with guests anticipating the arrival of Ms. Brazile. The program started with a panel of distinguished speakers – Michael Cryor, Maryland Democratic Party Chair and Member of the Democratic National Committee served as Master of Ceremonies for the evening. Panelist included, Don Fry, President and CEO, Greater Baltimore Committee; Julius Henson, Campaign Manager and Political Consultant; Bishop Douglas I. Miles, Clergy Co-Chair, Baltimoreans United In Leadership Development (BUILD) and Organizer of Koinonia Baptist Church; and Terry Taylor, Campaign Manager, Political Consultant and S-DC Faculty in the Campaign Management Program. Glenard "Glen" S. Middleton, International Vice President of AFSCME and Member of the Democratic National Committee provided closing remarks.

The panelist each used their time to talk about politics as related to their backgrounds and professional involvements. All have positively influenced the make-up of local, state and national government as well as our communities. They talked about political campaign management strategies, value of experiences in this field, President-Elect Obama's strategies and other inspiring topics on practical politics.

Ms. Brazile entered expressing her promise to Dr. Simmons that she was impressed that Sojourner-Douglass College has started a Masters, bachelors and certificate programs on political campaign management and that she would be there to support this important initiative. The audience was inspired by her experiences and advice as demonstrated by the frequent applause. She remained beyond her scheduled departure time to sign copies of her latest book and to interact with her many admirers.

The Brazile event was sponsored by the Century Club, friends of the College who pledge \$5,000.00 over a five-year period to support a scholarship endowment for students of Sojourner- Douglass College.

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the Obama Campaign, 2007-2008

reflections by Political Strategist

**DONNA BRAZILE**

December 4, 2008 5-7:30 pm

In Support of  
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 Political Campaign Management Program**

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George McKinney, Federal Marshall, retired; and Dr. Charles W. Simmons



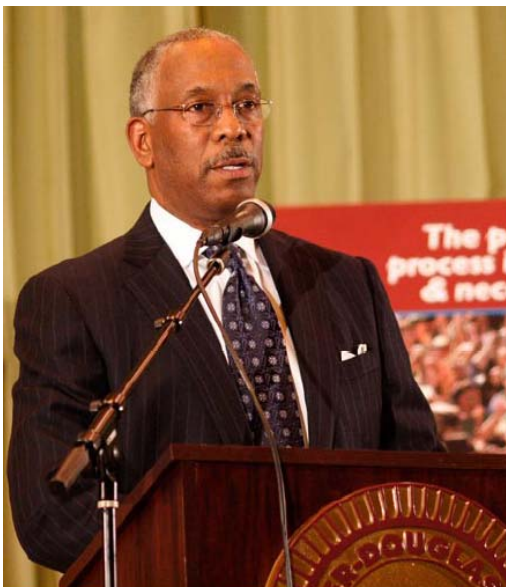
Dr. Charles W. Simmons, President, Sojourner-Douglass College



Donna Brazile audience



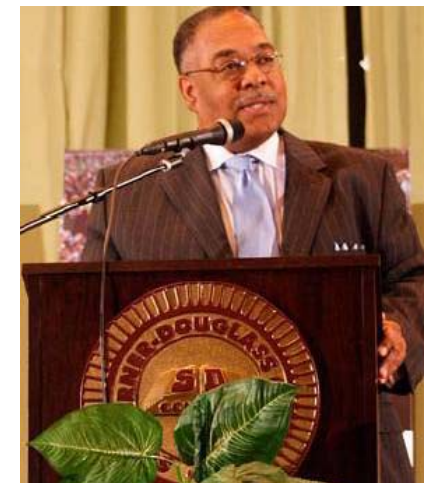
Julius Henson, Political Strategist



Michael Cryor, Chair, Maryland Democratic Committee, and Master of Ceremonies for the



Bishop Douglas I. Miles, Koinonia Baptist Church, Co-Chair, BUILD; and Donald Fry, President & CEO, Greater Baltimore Committee



Terry Taylor, Political Strategist & S-DC faculty member



O. Patrick Scott, Chairman of S-DC Board of Directors and Ms. Brazile

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Ms. Donna Brazile, Political Strategist



Dr. Simmons; Ms. Brazile; Ms. Luwanda Jenkins, Special Secretary Governor's Office of Minority Affairs; Mr. Michael Cryor.



Glenard "Glen" S. Middleton, International V.P., AFSCME, and member, Democratic National Committee; and Dr. Simmons



Dr. Marti Rawlings; Ms. Brazile; Dr. Charles W. Simmons; Sandy Conner; Katherine Wimbley-Yates; Senator Verna Jones; Dr. Gary Rodwell, S-DC faculty; Subhanallah Ali; Lynn Vickers



Ms. Brazile signing her book, "Cooking With Grease: Stirring the Pots in American Politics"