

RESUME OF QUALIFICATIONS

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- Retired from United States Air Force as an Air Police Supervisor in May, 1966. Retired from AT & T as a Security Specialist. Earned a B.S. Degree in Business Administration in April, 1973 from Franklin University, Columbus, Ohio. Moved to the Driving Park Area in April, 1966. He is married and the father of three.
- From 1945 – 1966 exhibited exceptionally high work experience in the military that required accuracy in the areas of law enforcement, security, discipline, law and order among all service personnel. Same dedication was shown in his work at AT & T.
- According to the 1990 census, the Driving Park community showed a total population of 6,088. Served as Vice Chairman of the Driving Park Area Commission and became the Chairman in April, 1991. Also served as Chairman of the Public Safety Committee of the Driving Park Area Commission.
- Organized the first Block Crime Watch in the City of Columbus in 1981. After seeing a need for community involvement, program was started with 19 adult block captains. To expand the program, he rewrote it to include junior members of the Block Crime Watch. In 1984, 15 junior or juvenile block captains and two block captains were established. Currently, there are 156 adult block watch captains, 4 juniors and 2 majors.
- Organized the Annual Youth Against Crime Rally, which is held at the Driving Park Recreation Center the Rally will celebrate its 25th year in 2006. The goal is to get young children involved in protecting their neighborhood.
- Under his leadership, an Annual Public Safety Awards Program is held annually at Hope Lutheran Church and is televised on Government Channel 3.
- Under his leadership, holds monthly Public Safety meetings at the Driving Park Library with community residents, Columbus Police and C.O.P. (Citizens on Patrol) to keep abreast of community concerns regarding safety issues.
- As Chairman of the Driving Park Area Commission, has identified needs for action in the following areas: drugs; crime; absentee landlords; jobs; youth development into productive achievers; upgrade sewer/drainage system in Driving Park; beautification of mini-parks and street mediums; future development of Driving Park business district; code enforcement; residents

involvement/participation in the community; concern for the safety and needs of the handicapped, elderly, retired, unemployed and those with limited incomes in the area.

- Works closely with Columbus City Council members, various departments of local, state, and federal governments, veterans, fraternal organizations, churches and other civic groups in addressing various concerns.
- Summary of awards, honors, distinctions:
 - 1986, 1987, and 1989 – Outstanding Attendance Award from Columbus City Council under the Sponsorship of Councilman Ben Espy.
 - 1988 – Award of Appreciation for Outstanding Leadership in the area of crime in the Driving Park area. Received from Mr. Dwight Joseph, Police Chief of Columbus Police Department.
 - 1989- Meritorious Public Service Award from Director of Public Safety, City of Columbus Police Department.
 - Special Recognition from Ohio House of Representatives for exceptional contributions to the community and saluted as one of Ohio's finest citizens.
 - Saluted by AT & T Laboratories during the month of May, 1989 with a picture displayed in the lobby of Mr. Dwight Joseph and Mr. Johnson.
 - Special Citation for courteous and outstanding services presented by Mr. Bob Hoist, President, International Food Services Executives Association at the Columbus Gas of Ohio, Inc.
 - 1990 – Brothers helping Brothers Award from WCKX
 - Award of Recognition from Driving Park Area Commission for strong and unwavering commitment; distinguished service in the advancement of safety in our community; promotion and support of humanitarian principles in all sectors of the business community.
 - Resolution of Expression from Columbus City Council for outstanding service for tirelessly fighting for justice, equality, freedom, pride, dignity and human rights for all; numerous contributions to the Columbus community including organizing the first Block Watch in Columbus; and exemplifying the concept of volunteerism
 - Certificate of Honor and Recognition from Honorable Dana G. Rinehart, Mayor, City of Columbus
 - Special Recognition of Honor under the sponsorship of Richard C. Pfeiffer, Jr. , State of Senator 15th District for 24 years of loyal and outstanding service at AT & T.
 - Special Recognition of Honor under the sponsorship of Dean Conley, State Representative, Ohio 32nd House District for 24 years as a dedicated and conscientious employee having sincere commitment to achieving the goals of AT & T Network Systems in a skillful and professional manner.
 - 1991 – Certificate of Recognition Award of Extraordinary Public Service (The Jefferson Awards) under the sponsorship of Mr. Gary A. Robinson,

Vice President, General Manager, WCMH , TV 4 and nationally by the American Institute of Public Service.

- Certificate of Appreciation for Participation in the First Annual Unity Parade of 1992 – Certificate of Appreciation in recognition of continuing services toward improving the quality of life for all citizens of the community, presented by the Greenbrier East Community Outreach Center, Inc.
- Certificate of Training from Ohio Department of Education and membership to “The World of Difference” Civic Committee sponsored by the Anti-Defamation League of B’Nai B’rith, Columbus Urban League, Columbus Commission in Ethics and Values and WCMH (Channel 4 TV).
- 1993 – Certificate of Appreciation in recognition of Valuable Service to the United States of American presented by Major General Richard Alexander, Adjutant General, State of Ohio and Mr. David Aldstadt, Deputy Director, Governor’s Office, Veteran Affairs, State of Ohio under the sponsorship of Ms. S. Yolanda Robinson, President, The African American Triumphs Consortium.
- The Columbus Dispatch Annual Services Award Finalist for 1993 under the sponsorship of Mr. John F. Wolfe, President, Publisher and CEO, The Columbus Dispatch Newspaper.
- 1994 – Certificate of Lifetime Commitment for Community Service and a Valued Elder in the “Well of Wisdom,” under the sponsorship of Dr. Moriba (Richard C.) Kelsey, Executive Director, Africentric Personal Development Shop, Inc.
- This Week (February 21, 1994) Newspaper (Southeast Edition) showed the Honorable William Clinton, President of United States of America giving personal recognition and praise for organizing the first Adult Block Crime Watch and patrol in the Driving Park area in 1981.
- Received special recognition and personal praise from the Honorable William Clinton, President of United States for organizing the first Adult Block Watch and patrol in the Driving Park Area in 1981. In 1984, the Youth Block Watch was added. The event occurred on February 15, 1994, at the Columbus International Airport.
- 1995 – Award of Appreciation for work in creating positive conditions in Franklin County, received from Partners of the Franklin County Prevention Institute on behalf of DPAC.
- Award for creating a climate of peace: “Youth Speaks Out on Violence” under the sponsorship of Community Relations Commission, City of Columbus. Event was held at Ohio Dominican College.
- 1996 – Award for Partners for Peace of the Year for positive leadership and endless efforts to increase the peace in our community.
- Applebee’s Very Own Partner for Peach Award for Community Crime Prevention efforts.
- 1997 – Appointed Chairperson of Community Policing Advisory Board Agenda Committee under the sponsorship of Thomas W. Rice, Sr., Director, Public Safety, City of Columbus.

- Often asked to serve in other neighborhoods in the City of Columbus to assist in organizing block crime watch programs.
- Serves as President of Dynamic Leadership, which was formed in 1974. Organization's purpose is to discuss and implement ideas that would be beneficial to ensure equality, freedom, and justice for minorities and women.
- On January 12, 1993, received the United States Department of Justice, Federal Bureau of Investigation, Directors Community Leadership Award (presented at Columbus City Council).
- On November 18, 1998, received the Community Police Relations Workshop Award from the Community Relations Commission, City of Columbus.
- Mr. Johnson's military training and service at AT & T has had a significant impact in addressing issues of crime and violence in our community and developing programs in securing/enlisting resident volunteers to "give back" to the community. Jim Johnson "Asked not what the community can do for him, but what he can do for the community?" Jim is a living example of this statement, and therefore is recommended to be the recipient of the J. C. Penney Golden Rule Award.
- On May 3, 1999, received the J. C. Penney Golden Rule Award Certificate of Appreciation.
- On May 14, 1999, received the Armed Forces Community Relations Distinguished Service Award.
- On September 17, 1999, received a Certificate in a Cultural Diversity Workshop held at the Dayton Convention Center, Dayton, Ohio. Presented by Ms. Carol Clarke Sampson, Superintendent, City of Dayton Cultural Affairs.
- On September 20, 1999, received the Community Commendation Award from the Strategic Response Bureau, Columbus Division of Police, for the driving Park Area Blockwatch Program and efforts to help build a safe, better community for the City of Columbus, Ohio.
- On October 30, 1999, received the Community Award for being an outstanding citizen, for dedication and tireless efforts to fight for equality and justice on behalf of all citizens in Columbus, Ohio. The award was received from Police Officers for Equal Rights, Inc., presented by Mr. James E. Moss, President.
- On January 8, 2000, received a joint award from the Driving Park Area Commission and the Driving Park Civic Association for leadership and in recognition of public service to our community. Presented by Mr. John T. Coats, Sr., Vice President, Driving Park Area Commission and Mrs. Matilda Woods-Allen, President, Driving Park Civic Association.
- On April 12, 2000, received the 2000 Ohio Crime Prevention Association Outstanding Ohio Crime Prevention Volunteer Award, presented by Mr. John Hunkler, President.
- On May 25, 2000, received the Special C.C. Jaguars Association Elite Award, presented by Mr. Carl Montrose Roddy, President.

- On August 1, 2000, received the Community Commendation in Appreciation and Outstanding Efforts to build a safe, better community during the 17th Annual National Night Out, presented by Commander Kent H. Shafer, Strategic Response Bureau, Columbus Division of Police.
- On January 19, 2002, received Certificate of Recognition from Mayor Michael B. Coleman, City of Columbus, Ohio for being an outstanding citizen with unselfish, unwavering in my commitment and invaluable contribution to the residents and community of Driving Park Area, presented by Mr. Larry Price, Community Liaison to the Mayor.
- On January 25, 2002, received the Armed Forces Community Relations Council Award (Plaque) for outstanding and exceptional service, presented by Colonel USA, Retired and President, Sir Charles Fisher, Armed Forces Community Relations Council.
- On April 21, 2003, received Certificate of Appreciation in recognition of valuable contributions to the Livingston Avenue collaborative for Community Development, presented by Mrs. Tracey Maxwell Heard, Executive Director and Clayton Hicks, President.
- On May 29, 2003, received an Accommodation from the Ohio House of Representatives for exceptional services as President of Driving Park Area Commission. The award was signed by Larry Householder, Speaker of the house and signed and presented by State Representative Larry Price.
- On July 11, 2003, received a Certificate of Merit for punctuality from the Philadelphia Committee of the Dennis/Boyd 2003 Family Reunion. The award was presented by Ms. Lovie D. Mars, Chairperson of the committee. It was presented at the Renaissance Philadelphia Hotel.
- On August 18, 2003, initiated into the Loyal Order of the Moose Lodge #2463 at 335 West Johnstown Road, Gahanna, Ohio
- On March 18, 2005, received a certificate from the National Campaign for Tolerance under the sponsorship of Mr. Morris Dees, National Chair and Ms. Rosa Parks, Founding Chair. The names of James A. Johnson will be placed on the "Wall of Tolerance" in the New Civil Rights Memorial Center in Montgomery, Alabama. The dedication ceremony took place on October 23rd, 2005. The event honored those who are taking personal, public stand against hate, injustice and intolerance, and who are leading the way toward a more just American as Founding Members of the National Campaign for Tolerance.
- On April 22, 2005, received a certificate from Columbus Black Convention. The Herbert "Herb" Holliman Unsung Hero Award presented to James "Jim" Johnson for serving tirelessly and unselfishly to improve the conditions in our communities.
- On June 9, 2005 received certificate of recognition from the City of Columbus. This certificate is in recognition of participation in the Neighborhood Safety Academy and was awarded for outstanding time, energy and effort in making home, street and community safer.
- On June 12, 2005 certificate of appreciation awarded to Mr. Jim Johnson, considered the "Mayor of the Southeast Side," as he exemplifies all the

characteristics of the ideal community development leader. Presented by Rickenbacker-Woods Board of Trustees.

- October 20, 2005, Received Key to City of Natchez, Mississippi. From Mayor of City of Natchez, Mississippi – Mayor Phillip C. West.
- October 23, 2005, Attended unveiling of the dedication of the New Civil Rights Building in Montgomery, Alabama – Mr. James Johnson named engraved in the Wall of Tolerance.
- On January 4, 2006, a certificate of recognition was awarded to James Johnson by the Mayor of Columbus, Michael B. Coleman for his tireless years of service as a community leader.
- On January 12, 2006, Mr. Johnson was honored as a Kentucky Colonel, presented by the Governor of Kentucky, Ernie Fletcher. This award is a Who's Who of outstanding men and women around the world. The Colonels are presented for presented fro contributions to the community, state or nation for special achievements.
- On January 20, 2006, Charles E. Fisher, Colonel, USA retired; Present of the Armed Forces Community Relations Council presented Mr. Johnson with a plaque for fighting for veterans rights and other civil rights issues. James has been a member of the Armed Forces Community Relations Council for over 18 years.
- On February 28, 2006, Paula Brooks, President of the Board of Franklin County Commissioners, Franklin County, Ohio, presented a resolution to Mr. Johnson. Mr. Johnson was recognized for his commitment to equality and justice and dedication to spreading tolerance.
- On January 5th, 2007 Driving Park Neighborhood Ambassadors Association awarded Mr. Johnson THE DPNAA 2007 Neighborhood Ambassadorship Award.
- On January 19th, 2007, Mr. Johnson was awarded the A.F.C.R.C. Certificate of Recognition for his contribution, support and distinguished service to his community especially in the area of Veterans affairs.
- On January 15th, 2007, Mr. Johnson was awarded the Veterans of Foreign Wars Award for faithfully supporting our veterans and their families.
- February 12th, 2007, Mr. Johnson was awarded The Board of Directors of the TelecomPioneers – New Outlook Pioneers Award

Recognized by Mayor Michael B. Coleman, City of Columbus Ohio, on his 80th Birthday, with Certificiate of Recognition on October 14, 2007.

Recognized by Columbus City Council, with a Resoluton of Expression on my 80th Birthday, and presented by Council person, Pricilla Tyson and Council person, Andrew J. Ginther on October 14, 2007

Recognized by Congressman Patrick J. Tiberi, 12th House District, U.S. in Recognition of my 80th Birthday, presented on October 14, 2007

Recognized by Prevail-Respect Organization with a Certificate of Achievement In recognition in "Reclaiming Our Community: Cease & Desist Crime: Awarded on March 21, 2008 Presented by Dr. Rhunette Diggs and Ms. Gloria Robinson