



Deonna Moore Taylor Bio

Deonna Moore Taylor is a bestselling author, award-winning professional and motivational speaker, executive consultant, and certified life, executive and mindfulness coach. Deonna has consulted, delivered training solutions and worked with Fortune 500 companies, colleges, and non-profit organizations. Her professional portfolio includes Cleveland Clinic, Progressive Insurance, Rockwell Automation, CVS Caremark, Smithers Quality Assessments, Case Western Reserve University, Cuyahoga Community College, Girl Scouts USA, NASA, and Maximus.

In 2016, Deonna started Dempsey Consulting Group (Now DMT Consulting and Coaching), and in 2018 organized The LeaderStyle Lifestyle Movement, a non-profit organization. Deonna's specializations are Information Technology Services and Education, and provides strategic and operational leadership consulting, change management, organizational psychology, branding, and client relationship management. Deonna is also certified to provide coaching and counseling for women and minority start-up businesses.

Deonna is a member of several organizations in the community. However, her biggest service history to date was with Toastmasters International, where she is a six-time minted Distinguished Toastmaster, the highest educational award a Toastmaster can receive. A member since April 2008, Deonna has served in several leadership positions at the club, district and international level. She made history by being elected unopposed to all three top-level leadership positions consecutively and was the second woman of color to be elected District Director in 2012. Her honors in the organization include 2017 District 10 Toastmaster of the Year, 2016 Division Director of the Year, Excellence in Education and Training, and Triple Crown Award for Marketing and Education. Deonna has also received several District Director Awards for her contributions and service.

Deonna is an active member in Order of Eastern Star. She is the Worthy Matron of Morning Star #4. She is also an active member of Heroines of Jericho.

Deonna is included in the 2017, 2018, and 2019 Who's Who in Black Cleveland Publications. She was inducted into the Kaleidoscope Magazine's Forty/40 Club in 2014 and has received other notable awards from several local and national organizations. In addition to co-authoring three bestselling books, Deonna is a contributing writer for several magazines, blogs and online publications.

Daughter of Deacon Dempsey (Deceased) and Deaconess Genie Moore, Deonna was born and raised in Cleveland Heights, Ohio and is a 1996 graduate of Cleveland Heights High School. She attended The University of Akron and Case Western Reserve University – Weatherhead School of Management. She is currently finishing her degree in Healthcare Informatics and Administration at DeVry University – Keller School of Management. Deonna completed her studies in Christian Education and Pastoral Counseling at Moody Bible Institute.

A resident of Northeast Ohio, Deonna is married to Lenard Taylor, and they are the parents of two sons.