

BIO OF ADRIENNE L. WILLIAMS- OCTALIEN

Adrienne L. Williams- Octalien is a savvy leader with a diverse background of experience. She is a savvy manager with a keen eye for process improvement on service delivery, efficiencies, cost containment and an extensive experience with managing federal programs.

Governor Albert Bryan, Jr. selected her to serve as the Director of the V.I. Office of Disaster Recovery, where she is responsible to oversee distribution and compliance of the Government of the Virgin Islands utilization of \$8B of Hurricane Recovery dollars for the Territory.

She has served in various executive leadership positions within the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) with oversight of the Public Assistance and Hazard Mitigation grant funding.

Williams also formerly served as the Executive Director of the Virgin Islands Housing Finance Authority. During her tenure she successfully led the development of 7 homeownership and rental communities across the Virgin Islands that provided 332 new housing opportunities totaling \$69M in development costs.

Ms. Williams spreads her leadership abilities and consistently shares her time and skill set with other community organizations providing dynamic workshops and networking opportunities. She was the co-founder and President of Generation Now, Inc., a distinct activist entity focused on ensuring that every Virgin Islander has a better quality of life. Generation Now! Inc., worked tirelessly to educate and inform the populace on the issues that affect the community and provided mentorship and scholarship opportunities for the youth of the Virgin Islands.

The Honorable Governor Charles Wesley Turnbull identified her natural leadership ability and specifically selected her to serve on the Virgin Islands Commission on the Status of Women. Ms. Williams was also appointed to the Lottery Commission and the VI Housing Authority Board of Directors by the Honorable Governor John de Jongh, Jr.

In 2010, she earned the distinction of being named Rotary Person of the Year. Of her many accomplishments, most notable are her children Paul and Alani Arnold.