

## *Michal S. A. Rhymer-Browne*



Michal Sherry Ann Rhymer-Browne is a seasoned leader and manager with eleven (11) years of experience as a Senior Executive in the public sector and over 20 years of executive management/leadership experience, to include 10 years in the private non-profit and private for profit organizations. She is a disciplined and passionate individual who inspires the members of her team to work to their maximum abilities to achieve the desired goals and objectives of their Projects. With a Master's Degree in Counseling and Bachelor's Degree in Psychology, Rhymer-Browne possesses the important interpersonal skills and administrative abilities to produce dynamic and productive results for organizations/companies-private for profit, non-profit, and public sector.

Since 1996, Rhymer-Browne has served as a Senior Executive in the Programs/Companies in which she has been employed. She served as the Executive Director of the Family Resource Center, a victim advocacy agency in the U.S. Virgin Islands serving, victims of domestic violence, child abuse and sexual assault. While at Family Resource Center, she initiated the Men Terminating Violence Batterers' Intervention program. In 2004, she was asked to serve as Assistant Commissioner in the U.S.V.I. Department of Human Services –a position she held for eleven (11) years across the administration of three Governors. At the Department of Human Services, Rhymer-Browne had direct oversight of the Divisions of Senior Citizen Affairs, Division of Disabilities and Rehabilitation Services, Office of Child Care and Regulatory Services, and the Division of Family Assistance. In 2015, equipped with valuable knowledge, skill, and experience from her years of leadership and management, she envisioned and developed a new initiative now known as MRB Consulting. Rhymer-Browne became the Owner and Principal of MRB Consulting, a professional Consulting Company, which specializes in health and human services related projects. MRB Consulting provides management assistance and is capable of moving projects from design, to development, and full implementation. In 2016, she also became the Territorial Manager for the federal Job Corps program in the U.S. Virgin Islands.

One of Rhymer-Browne's favorite mantras is, "It Will Work, If We Work It!" Her conviction based on this mantra is "If you work hard and remain a committed team, you will achieve the results you desire." This

belief is at the heart of her career and personal endeavors. Individuals who have worked with her quickly attest that she is a passionate, capable, and committed colleague. Her ability to build consensus and move projects from the inception to the implementation phase is commendable. Since her return to the Virgin Islands in 1992, Michal Rhymer-Browne has proven herself to be a valuable asset to the territory, and she continues her pursuit of excellence in her professional and personal life.

Rhymer-Browne was appointed as Assistant Commissioner for the Virgin Islands Department of Human Services (DHS) by Governor Albert Bryan, Jr. in April of 2019. She is excited and honored to return to DHS, an agency she loves, and is committed to working together with the team to make a positive difference in the lives of youth, senior citizens, individuals with disabilities, low-income persons, and other vulnerable populations.

***Note: Michal Rhymer-Browne was married to Earl S. Browne (now deceased) and is the proud mother of her 15 year old son Joash. Michal is the daughter of Allan and Ena Rhymer. She is also an ordained minister and serves as an Associate Pastor of Zion Outreach and Evangelical (Z.O.E.) Ministries on St. Thomas.***