

Biographical Description for The HistoryMakers® Video Oral History with William A. Clement

PERSON

Clement, William , 1943-

Alternative Names: Clement, William , 1943-

Life Dates: January 22, 1943-

Place of Birth: Atlanta, Georgia

Residence: Mableton, Georgia

Occupations: Technology Chief Executive

Biographical Note

Technology chief executive William Alexander Clement, Jr. was born on January 22, 1943, in Atlanta, Georgia to politician Josephine Dobbs Clement and Executive Vice President for North Carolina Mutual Life Insurance Company William Alexander Clement, Sr. Clement received his B.A. degree from Morehouse College in 1964, majoring in mathematics and business administration and his M.B.A. degree in finance and insurance from Wharton Business School at the University of Pennsylvania in 1967.

Clement worked as a credit analyst for NCNB Corporation in Charlotte, North Carolina, as a registered representative for Bache & Company as well as a representative for the Robinson-Humphrey Company prior to becoming Vice President and Senior Loan Officer of Citizens Trust Bank in 1973. In 1977, Clement joined the United States Small Business Administration as an Associate Administrator. While in this position, he served as Senior Management Officer for the federal government's largest minority business development program. Clement received a presidential appointment by Jimmy Carter to join the Board of directors of the National Consumer Cooperative Bank in Washington, D.C. Clement is the Chairman and CEO of DOBBS, RAM & Company, a systems integration company. Founded in 1981, DOBBS, RAM & Company is a Tier II contractor engaged by the United States Internal Revenue Service (IRS) to maintain its E-Filing System.

Clement became an outside director of Atlanta Life Insurance Company in 1992, and in 2001, the Board of directors named him as Chairman replacing Gregory Baranco. He was also appointed to the Board of directors of Radiant Systems in 2005. In 2007/2008, Clement was elected President and CEO of the Atlanta Life Financial Group, Inc. Clement is a member of the Atlanta Business League, the Small Business Council of the U.S. Chamber of Commerce, and the Atlanta Action Forum.

Clement is married to R. Ressie Guy-Clement and is the father of two children.

William Alexander Clement Jr. was interviewed by The HistoryMakers on March 27, 2007.

Related Entries

Guy-Clement, R. Ressie [SPOUSEOF]
Wife

Clement, Sr., William Alexander [CHILDOF]
Father

Clement, Kathleen O [GRANDCHILDOF]
Grandmother (P)

Clement, Arthur John Howard [GRANDCHILDOF]
Grandfather (P)

Dobbs, Irene [GRANDCHILDOF]
Grandmother (M)

Dobbs, John Wesley [GRANDCHILDOF]
Grandfather (M)

Jackson, Alexine Clement [SIBLINGOF]
Sister

Clement, Wesley Dobbs [SIBLINGOF]
Brother

Clement, Arthur John [SIBLINGOF]
Brother

Johnson, Kathleen Clement [SIBLINGOF]
Sister

Smart, Josephine Clement [SIBLINGOF]
Sister

Wharton, Anika Clement [PARENTOF]
Daughter

Clement, Jeanetta S [PARENTOF]
Daughter

Clement, Josephine Dobbs [CHILDOF]
Mother

Morehouse College [STUDENTOF]
[from ? to 06-1964]

B.A.

Wharton School [STUDENTOF]
[from ? to 06-1967]

M.B.A

W G Pearson Elementary [STUDENTOF]

[from ? to ?]

Whitted Elementary School [STUDENTOF]
[from ? to ?]

Robinson-Humphrey Company [EMPLOYEEOF]
[from ? to ?]

Registered Representative

Bache & Company [EMPLOYEEOF]
[from ? to ?]

Registered Representative

NCNB Corporation (predecessor to Bank of America) [EMPLOYEEOF]
[from ? to ?]

Credit Analyst

Citizens Trust Bank [EMPLOYEEOF]
[from 1973 to 1977]

Vice President

US Small Business Administration [EMPLOYEEOF]
[from 1977 to 1981]

Associate Administrator

DOBBS, RAM & Company [EMPLOYEEOF]
[from 1981 to ?]

Chairman and CEO

Atlanta Life Financial Group, Inc. [EMPLOYEEOF]
[from 2008 to ?]

President and CEO

Atlanta Life Financial Group, Inc. [MEMBEROF]
Chairman

Radiant Systems, Inc [MEMBEROF]

Atlanta Life Insurance Company [MEMBEROF]

Small Business Council U.S. Chamber of Commerce [MEMBEROF]

Big Brothers of Atlanta [MEMBEROF]
Board Member

The Atlanta Project [MEMBEROF]

100 Black Men of Atlanta, Inc. [MEMBEROF]

Atlanta Urban League [MEMBEROF]

United Way of America [MEMBEROF]
Vice Chairman