

Finding Aid to The HistoryMakers® Video Oral History with Richard T. Greene, Jr.

Overview of the Collection

Repository:	The HistoryMakers®1900 S. Michigan Avenue Chicago, Illinois 60616 info@thehistorymakers.com www.thehistorymakers.com
Creator:	Greene, Richard T., Jr., 1945-
Title:	The HistoryMakers® Video Oral History Interview with Richard T. Greene, Jr.,
Dates:	June 20, 2019
Bulk Dates:	2019
Physical Description:	9 uncompressed MOV digital video files (4:08:01).
Abstract:	Hospital executive Richard Greene Jr. (1945 -) held executive positions at eight different medical centers across the country before serving as the New York City Housing Authority's first director of health services. Greene was interviewed by The HistoryMakers® on June 20, 2019, in New York, New York. This collection is comprised of the original video footage of the interview.
Identification:	A2019_041
Language:	The interview and records are in English.

Biographical Note by The HistoryMakers®

Hospital executive Richard T. Greene, Jr. was born on March 3, 1945, in White Plains, New York, to Virginia and Richard T. Greene, Sr. He graduated from Newtown High School in Queens, New York in 1962. In 1966, Greene earned his B.A. degree in zoology from Pennsylvania State University. He attended graduate school at Cornell University, where he received his combined M.B.A. and M.P.S. degrees in health administration in 1975.

In 1967, Greene joined IBM as a systems engineer, working until his enlistment as an officer with the Navy Supply Corps from 1968 to 1970 before joining the Naval Reserves where he attained the rank of Lieutenant Commander. Upon completion of active duty, Greene returned to IBM to work in its sales division in Pittsburgh until 1973. In 1975, after graduating from Cornell University, Greene was hired by the Hospital Corporation of America (HCA) to serve as a healthcare plan manager in Oakland, California. In 1978, he was promoted assistant administrator at Washington Memorial Hospital in New Jersey. In 1980, Greene moved to Atlanta, Georgia to serve as the chief executive officer of Southwest Medical Center. Three years later, he returned to New Jersey and became the chief operating officer of the University of Medicine and Dentistry of New Jersey (UMDNJ) Hospital. Greene relocated to Clearwater, Florida in 1984 to serve as H.C.A.'s regional operations director. In 1987, Greene was appointed executive director of H.C.A.'s EquiCor operation in Florida. He moved back to New York in 1990, and became the chief operating officer at University Hospital in Brooklyn, serving until 1998. From 1998 to 2000, Greene was vice president of Bergen Regional Medical Center in Paramus, New Jersey. In 2002, the City of New York appointed Greene as the first Director of Health Services for the New York City Housing Authority where he served until 2012.

Greene serves as president of the Carver Scholarship Fund, which was founded by his father, Richard T. Greene, Sr., the former president of Carver Federal Savings Bank (Carver Bankcorp). He is on the board of the Carver Community Development Corporation, an affiliate of Carver Federal Savings Bank, volunteers with New York's Children's Defense Fund, and served on the board of the New York Organ Donor Network, where he promoted and

advocated for organ donation in communities of color. Greene also co-founded the Brooklyn Parks Advocates organization during his tenure as a board member of the Prospect Park Alliance.

Greene married Diane Black in 1977, and the two reside in Brooklyn, New York. They are avid collectors of art and vintage books by African Americans, and have two children: Chelsea and Richard Greene, III.

Richard T. Greene, Jr. was interviewed by *The HistoryMakers* on June 20, 2019.

Scope and Content

This life oral history interview with Richard T. Greene, Jr. was conducted by Harriette Cole on June 20, 2019, in New York, New York, and was recorded on 9 uncompressed MOV digital video files. Hospital executive Richard Greene Jr. (1945 -) held executive positions at eight different medical centers across the country before serving as the New York City Housing Authority's first director of health services.

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Related Material

Information about the administrative functions involved in scheduling, researching, and producing the interview, as well as correspondence with the interview subject is stored electronically both on The HistoryMakers® server and in two databases maintained by The HistoryMakers®, though this information is not included in this finding aid.

Controlled Access Terms

This interview collection is indexed under the following controlled access subject terms.

Persons:

Greene, Richard T., Jr., 1945-

Cole, Harriette (Interviewer)

Hickey, Matthew (Videographer)

Subjects:

African Americans--Interviews

Greene, Richard T., Jr., 1945---Interviews

Organizations:

HistoryMakers® (Video oral history collection)

The HistoryMakers® African American Video Oral History Collection

Occupations:

Hospital Executive

HistoryMakers® Category:

MedicalMakers

Administrative Information

Custodial History

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Preferred Citation

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Processing Information

This interview collection was processed and encoded on 5/30/2023 by The HistoryMakers® staff. The finding aid was created adhering to the following standards: DACS, AACR2, and the Oral History Cataloging Manual (Matters 1995).

Other Finding Aid

A Microsoft Access contact database and a FileMaker Pro tracking database, both maintained by The HistoryMakers®, keep track of the administrative functions involved in scheduling, researching, and producing the interview.

Detailed Description of the Collection

Series I: Original Interview Footage

Video Oral History Interview with Richard T. Greene, Jr., Section A2019_041_001_001, TRT: 1:29:02 ?

Video Oral History Interview with Richard T. Greene, Jr., Section A2019_041_001_002, TRT: 2:28:52 ?

Video Oral History Interview with Richard T. Greene, Jr., Section A2019_041_001_003, TRT: 3:29:01 ?

Video Oral History Interview with Richard T. Greene, Jr., Section A2019_041_001_004, TRT: 4:29:13 ?

Video Oral History Interview with Richard T. Greene, Jr., Section A2019_041_001_005, TRT: 5:28:48 ?

Video Oral History Interview with Richard T. Greene, Jr., Section A2019_041_001_006, TRT: 6:29:57 ?

Video Oral History Interview with Richard T. Greene, Jr., Section A2019_041_001_007, TRT: 7:29:44 ?

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Video Oral History Interview with Richard T. Greene, Jr., Section A2019_041_001_009, TRT: 9:12:44 ?