

**DEBARMENT OF QUEEN SISTER AFRIKA a/k/a QUEEN SISTER GEORZETTA DELONEY  
a/k/a GEORZETTA DELONEY and IT TAKES A VILLAGE ORGANIZATION a/k/a IT TAKES A  
VILLAGE NFP.ORG**

**THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER REPORTS THE FOLLOWING RECOMMENDATION:**

That the Board of Education of the City of Chicago ("Board") fully and permanently debar QUEEN SISTER AFRIKA a/k/a QUEEN SISTER GEORZETTA DELONEY a/k/a GEORZETTA DELONEY ("Queen Sister Afrika") and IT TAKES A VILLAGE ORGANIZATION a/k/a IT TAKES A VILLAGE NFP.ORG ("It Takes A Village") from doing any business with the Board.

On November 22, 2011, the Board's Chief Purchasing Officer filed and served on Queen Sister and ITVO (collectively "Respondents") a Notice of Proposed Debarment ("Notice"), initiating constraints and a debarment proceeding against them, based upon Respondents' (1) failure to cooperate with an investigation of the Office of the Inspector General ("OIG"), in violation of 105 ILCS 5/34-13.1(d), (2) failure to identify services ITVO performed, and (3) submission of invoices for payment of services which neither ITVO nor Queen Sister were authorized to perform. Respondents filed a response to the Notice but failed to deny any of the allegations in the Notice. Section 4.5(d) of the Debarment Policy requires a vendor to make an admission, denial or other response to every allegation in a notice of debarment, the failure of which constitutes an admission. The alleged conduct of Respondents was so egregious that the Notice sought to fully and permanently debar them.

On January 26, 2011, the Board resolved and ratified that, as of December 15, 2010, any reference to Chief Administrative Officer in any Board Rule, Policy or guideline constitutes a reference to Chief Executive Officer or designee. B.R.11-0126-RS1.

Based on the facts set forth in the Notice, the Chief Administrative Officer, Tim Cawley, recommends that the Board fully and permanently debar Queen Sister and ITVO from doing any business with the Board.

**LSC REVIEW:** LSC approval is not applicable to this report.

**AFFIRMATIVE ACTION STATUS:** Affirmative Action review is not applicable to this report.

**FINANCIAL:** None.

**GENERAL CONDITIONS:** None.


APPROVED:

  
Tim Cawley  
Chief Administrative Officer

APPROVED AS TO LEGAL FORM:

  
PATRICK J. ROCKS  
General Counsel *wam*

WITHIN APPROPRIATION:

  
DAVID WATKINS  
Chief Financial Officer