



## **ATLANTA BUSINESS LEAGUE 2006 BOARD OF DIRECTORS**



**John Kelley, ABL Chair**

The Atlanta Business League installed new officers and members to its Board of Directors on Tuesday, January 17, 2005, at the Atlanta Life Financial Group Building. The installation ceremony will be officiated by The Honorable Justice Ruby J. Thomas, Dekalb County Juvenile & Records Court.

Officers and Vice Chairs for the 2006 ABL Board include;

- John Kelley, Manager of External Affairs, Georgia Power (Chair)
- Thomas W. Dortch, Jr., Chairman/CEO, TWD, Inc. (Chair-Elect)
- Sharmen Gowens, Advertising Sales Development Manager, Atlanta Journal-Constitution (Secretary)
- Lonnie Saboor, Director of Commercial Loans, Atlanta Development Authority (Treasurer)
- Alice Tolbert Wiggins, Vice President for Public Affairs of Morehouse School of Medicine (Past-Chair)
- Alonzo Llorens, Partner, Womble, Carlyle, Sandridge & Rice (Business Opportunity Vice Chair)
- Joseph Hudson, President, Hudson Strategic Group, Inc. (Education Vice Chair)
- Stephenie Frazier, Vice President, Business Development, Sunrise Bank of Atlanta (Membership Vice Chair)
- Michael Martin, President, Turner Associates/Architects Planners, Inc (Public Policy Vice Chair)
- Diane Powell-Larche, President & CEO, Larche Communications (Public Relations Vice Chair)
- Dennis Boyden, Regional Manager, Corporate External Affairs, BellSouth Corporation (Technology Vice Chair)

John Kelley also welcomed the installation of The Board of Directors At Large:

Vince Bailey, CEO, Vince Bailey Productions; Ed Baker, Publisher, Atlanta Business Chronicle; Eric Greenwood, Region Manager Atlanta Service Center, Atlanta Gas Light Company; Daryll H. Griffin, President, Accolades, Inc., Tad Hutcheson, Director of Marketing, AirTran AirWays; James Jackson, Branch Manager, Progressive Wealth Management; Leonard Jenkins, Jr., CEO, Elite Staffing Services of GA, LP; Kevin Johnson, President, Johnson Media, Inc.; Stacey Key, Owner, Bruster's Ice Cream and Yogurt; David Manuel, Director of Community Relations, Woodruff Arts Center; Edward Menifee, Sr., President, Southeastern Management & Business Development Company; Charles Robinson, Jr., President & CEO, Sadie G. Mays Health & Rehab Center; Erica Qualls, Hotel Manager, Atlanta Marriott Marquis, Steve Smith, Vice President, Corporate Affairs, Turner Broadcasting System, Inc.; Kenneth Thompson, Jr., Attorney, Troutman Sanders, LLP, General Counsel; Franklin O'Neal, President, ABL Foundation, Citizen Member, Fulton County Georgia Employee Retirement System.

Directors elected serve a 3-year term, appointed directors serve a 1-year term.

The ceremony included installation of the entire 25-member board, including standing directors. A reception was held immediately following the ceremony. The Atlanta Business League, operating since 1933, provides economic empowerment and business development opportunities for minority business owners throughout Metro Atlanta.