

Lincoln Financial Group's Allison Green Named To The 2013 List Of 25 Most Influential Black Women In Business

Lincoln Financial Group (NYSE:LNC) announced today that Allison Green, senior vice president and chief diversity officer, has been named to the 2013 list of the "25 Most Influential Black Women in Business" by *The Network Journal (TNJ)*, a business magazine with an audience of predominantly African-American professionals, corporate executives and business owners.

"We're fortunate to have a dynamic leader like Allison Green taking our diversity and inclusion efforts to new levels," said Lisa Buckingham, executive vice president and chief human resources officer, brand and enterprise communications for Lincoln Financial Group. "Beyond her corporate success, though, she plays an active role as a mentor and advisor with several local nonprofit organizations, striving to help others - particularly youth - realize their true potential. She is very deserving of this award."

"This year's honorees, including Allison Green, are a particularly special class, one that marks the 15th consecutive year that we have presented these awards," said *TNJ* Publisher and CEO Aziz Gueye Adetimirin. "We are so proud of them, as we are proud of all of our past honorees, because they help our community to lift its head so much higher."

Since joining Lincoln Financial in 2009, Green has been responsible for the diversity and inclusion strategy, and the oversight of the company's practices in this area. She has nearly 20 years of corporate and management consulting experience, and previously served as corporate director of diversity for Wyeth Pharmaceuticals and The Vanguard Group. Green earned a B.A. in Psychology at Spelman College and an M.A. in Counseling Psychology at Howard University.

For more information on Lincoln Financial's diversity and inclusion activities, please visit our Facebook page.

About The Network Journal

Founded in 1993, *The Network Journal* is an award-winning magazine published six times a year. It provides news and commentary on issues that affect the growth of business and the advancement of professionals in the workplace for an audience of predominantly African-American professionals, corporate executives and small-business owners. Engaging more than 98,000 readers per issue, *The Network Journal* is distributed nationwide, with a focus on the New York tri-state area, while its sister daily publication at tnj.com reaches a global audience.

About Lincoln Financial Group

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