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DR. SUZANNE PENN TO BE HONORED IN WASHINGTON, D.C.

CHICAGO, IL - Dr. Suzanne Penn, Chairman and Managing Director of MTS Tax Solutions and MFS WealthCare, will be honored as one of the **50 Women of Power in Business** during the awards luncheon at the **U.S.-Africa Trade and Investment Conference** on **Tuesday, May 15, 2012**. This event is scheduled at the **Washington Hilton Hotel** located at 1919 Connecticut Avenue, NW, Washington, D.C. 20009. The Conference is from 8:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.; the luncheon is from **1:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m.** The luncheon theme is ***“Celebrating Global Leadership & Excellence.”***

Dr. Penn will be recognized in the company of other distinguished and accomplished women from around the world by **The Minority Enterprise Executive Council (MEEC)**, previously called **Minority Business and Professionals Network, Inc. (MBPN)**.

MEEC’s mission is to work with small/minority, women, and veteran-owned businesses to attain strength and economic empowerment by increasing business relationships and partnerships in public and private sectors both nationally and globally. As an award-winning organization founded in 1997, MEEC has over 2,000 members and a database of over 50,000 minority businesses and organizations. In 2001, the U.S. Department of the Interior presented MBPN with a leadership award and signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) in 2002. The U.S. Small Business Administration presented MBPN with the “Economic Empowerment Vision Award” in 2000 and signed an MOU in 2001 and 2003. In 2004, NASA recognized MBPN with the Small Business Advocate Award. The Maryland House of Delegates presented MBPN with official citations in 2003 and 2004.

As an African-American female entrepreneur for 31 years, “Dr. Sue” has remained dedicated to empowering and motivating other minority women. Her most recent book, “The Pink Corner Office,” (Xlibris, 2006) focuses on how women can achieve the most out of life, family and the workplace.

Suzanne has held seats on many boards in business and within the community at large. She has contributed her knowledge and expertise to Chicago’s Cosmopolitan Chamber of Commerce; The National Black MBA Association; The YWCA of Chicago and Christian Vision Center, a shelter for abused and battered women with children. Since 2003 Dr. Penn has served on the President’s Council of the University of Illinois, where she assists in providing scholarships for high-achieving African-American students.

“Dr. Sue” has been the recipient of many awards such as the Images-Leadership Award, The Kizzy Award for Professional Achievement, The League of Black Women’s-Black Rose Award, the 2009 Chicago Defender’s-Woman of Excellence Award and The New Orleans Center of Successful Living’s-Spirit of Greatness Award among others. She has also been recognized for her work by United States Senator Mary L. Landrieu and former New Orleans Mayor and current National Urban League President Marc Morial.

Suzanne has been featured in Newsweek, Today’s Chicago Woman and Crain’s Chicago Business Magazines and has been a contributing writer for the Chicago Tribune, Chicago Sun-Times, and the Chicago Defender Newspapers. She is a graduate of the University of Illinois-Chicago, holds an MBA from the University of Chicago’s Graduate School of Business and is the recipient of an earned Ph.D. in business management from Kennedy-Western University.

To learn more about Minority Enterprise Executive Council, please visit www.meecouncil.com. To learn more about Dr. Suzanne Penn’s business offerings, please email Dr. Penn at info@mtstaxsolutions.com, info@mfswealthcare.com visit her website at www.gravatar.com/pennsuzanne, call (800) 374-5616 or scan the QR Code below with your smart phone.



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