Biographical Information for DesJean Peyton Jones

DesJean Peyton-Jones is the President/CEO for Opportunities Industrialization Center of Oklahoma County, Inc. (OIC), a nonprofit dedicated to inspiring adult students. In addition to her professional life coaching expertise, she has a background in advertising, organizational management, education and training, and an experienced Paralegal. DesJean holds a Master's Degree in Organizational Management and Executive Coaching with the University of Texas at Dallas, graduating Magna Cum Laude. A member of the International Coaching Federation (ICF), DesJean's professional areas of emphasis include life coaching and career coaching, with a focus on "unsticking the stuck."

DesJean is active within the community serving on many Boards of Director throughout the state. She pursues a wide-range of consultant activities, entrepreneurial interests, and is a published author with her most recent book *Text Messages from Heaven: Be Still and Know.* DesJean is a poet and writer of expository articles dealing with issues relevant to women, African-Americans, and families. DesJean serves on the Boards of Director for Legal Aid Services of Oklahoma; the Oklahoma Association of Adult & Continuing Education (OKAACE), the OSU Student Advisory Council, governing board for Metafund; Advisory Board for Highland Park Family Medical Center; and she is a member of Rotary Club #29. She is an active member of The New Hope Baptist Church of Oklahoma City under Pastor E. Jennings Tyson, where she is a Licensed Minister of the Gospel. DesJean is a member of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc. and a mother of two.