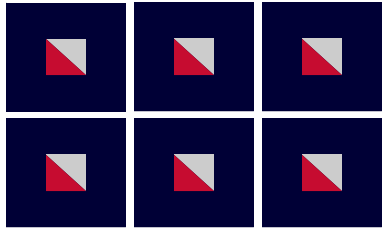


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2 Honorees for Dorie Miller Post #915 6th Annual Veteran's Day Benefit

CHICAGO, Illinois—Tuesday, 20 October 2009... The American Legion Dorie Miller Post #915 announced today that **LTC Donna L. Cooper**, and United States Senator candidate **Cheryle Robinson-Jackson** will receive the 2009 Distinguished and Honored Guest Awards, at the Post 6th Annual Veteran's Day Benefit on Tuesday, 10 November 2009. The event will be held at the Doubletree Hotel and Conference Center located at 5000 W. 127th Street, Alsip, IL beginning at 6:00p.m.



LTC Donna L. Cooper

Judge Donna L. Cooper is a military lawyer in the Judge Advocate General's Corps. Commissioned as a First Lieutenant in the U.S. Army Reserves in 1988, she transferred to the Illinois Army National Guard in 1993, and presently holds the rank of Lieutenant Colonel. LTC Donna Cooper is the Command Staff Judge Advocate for the 108th Sustainment

Brigade, in Chicago, IL. She was the first female African – American JAG in the Illinois Army National Guard and was the first Illinois Guard JAG to be deployed to Iraq. She served two rotations in Iraq, from 2003 to 2004, initially as the Deputy Chief, and subsequently as the Chief of the Legal Advisor Section of the Multi-National Division-Central South. While deployed, Judge Cooper supervised international military attorneys and was the liaison between the Polish Army and the U.S. Army JAG office in Iraq.

LTC Donna Cooper will receive the American Legion Dorie Miller Post #915 2009 Distinguished and Honored Guest Military Award. The Post is proud of Judge LTC Donna L. Cooper's accomplishments, both in the military community and as a public servant in her civilian role. She was elected to the Circuit Court of Cook County in 2008.



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Cheryle Robinson-Jackson

On 16 September 2009, Cheryle Robinson Jackson officially launched her bid for United States Senate. Considered a "rookie" in the political arena, Cheryle began her professional career at the local public TV and radio station WKNO in Memphis, and soon moved



on to National Public Radio in Washington, D.C. There, she quickly rose to the position of Vice President of Corporate Communications and discovered the leadership skills to become a true agent for change. She helped to revitalize the brand and culture at NPR, helping to expand its mission of fair, impartial and accurate news and analysis to reach a wider audience. Those values of fair, open discourse remain with Cheryle to this day.

"She is not a complete newcomer to the political scene", said Housing Chairman Robert L. Davis. "What we like is her ability to connect with potential constituents across the State of Illinois. We like her strength and she is very deserving of this Veteran's Day honor."

In 2006 candidate Robinson-Jackson became the first female president and CEO in the 90-year history of the Chicago Urban League. She will receive the American Legion Dorie Miller Post #915 2009 Distinguished and Honored Guest Non-Military Award.

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