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From 2006- 2019
I wore many hats as
a “sistager” for my
brother Dwyane
Wade. It was my
honor to protect and
serve him.”

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WADE-JOHNSON

AMERICA'S BIG SISTER



Carolyn HAYDEN-GARNER

AN INNOVATOR WHO'S LED BY PASSION

Carolyn Hayden-Garner has over 29 years of professional experience and is a recognized leader in the payroll industry. Her professional scope has ranged from strategic direction to the execution of payroll operations in the Americas, EMEA and India. She has worked in executive roles in top industry organizations: CBRE, Northrop and currently, Tesla. She launched her payroll passion in the public sector, Dallas ISD, in 1993 which was the 10th largest school district in North America.

In her professional career, she has been awarded Oracle's Innovator of the Year Award, CBRE's African American Networking Group Management Excellence Award and Northrop's Quality Award.

Her passion spans outside of the corporate setting. She is the Founder of Mothers Shut In (MSI), a nonprofit. MSI is a community of women, from diverse backgrounds, that have come together, collectively, to change the lives of women and their children, grandchildren, and generations to come, in a way that they are unable to do so within their means. MSI is empowering the community to effect change through scholarships, education, physical and mental health, financial literacy, and prayer.

Carolyn is a native of West Helena, AR. She has been married to Thomas for 36 years and is the mother of Thomas Hayden (Taylor), Cassie and Lauryn. One of her proudest moments is being the grandmother (Muh) to Payton, Caysen and the anticipation of a granddaughter 2023. She is a graduate of Grambling State University (Accounting) and Dallas Baptist University (MBA). She holds both US (CPP) and Canada (CPM) Payroll certifications.