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**THE NETWORK JOURNAL ANNOUNCES ITS 18th ANNUAL
25 INFLUENTIAL BLACK WOMEN IN BUSINESS AWARDS
PRESENTED BY MORGAN STANLEY**

*Brenda Blackmon, Multi-Emmy Award-Winning Journalist and Co-anchor, PIX 11,
is Mistress of Ceremonies at the March 24th celebratory luncheon in New York City*

NEW YORK, N.Y. (February 2016) — *The Network Journal* (TNJ; TNJ.com), an award-winning business magazine for African-American professionals, corporate executives and business owners, announces its **2016 list of 25 Influential Black Women in Business**.

“The women we honor in the 18th year of the awards span occupations, industries and expertise, and they share the same traits when it comes to their career and community service: passion, drive and focus. We salute them for achieving significant levels of success in their businesses and professional careers and for their myriad contributions to their community.” states *TNJ* Publisher and CEO Aziz Gueye Adetimirin.

The 25 Influential Black Women in Business Class of 2016:

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Vice President, Cardiovascular Services & Case Management
Robert Wood Johnson University Hospital

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Vice President of Global Destinations Services and Sourcing

Carnival Corporation & PLC

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Merrill Lynch

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BET Networks

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Chief Administrative Officer
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Global Head of Diversity and Inclusion
Morgan Stanley

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Global Operations Manager, External Affairs & Technology Programs
GE Global Research

Carra Wallace

Chief Diversity Officer
Office of New York City Comptroller, Scott M. Stringer

This select group will be profiled in the Spring 2016 issue of the magazine, and will be formally honored during Women's History Month at the 18th Annual 25 Influential Black Women in Business Awards Luncheon, presented by Morgan Stanley, on **Thursday, March 24, 2016**. This highly anticipated signature *TNJ* event will be held at the New York Marriott Marquis Hotel, located at 1535 Broadway (between 45th & 46th streets) in New York City, from 11:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. This year's sponsors include Presenting Sponsor Morgan Stanley and Platinum Sponsor Aflac. Additional sponsors include L'Oréal, Entergy, AfricaStrictlyBusiness.com and *African American Golfers Digest*.

The program includes a networking reception, lunch and awards presentation with multi-Emmy Award-winning journalist and Co-anchor, *PIX 11*, Brenda Blackmon as Mistress of Ceremonies. The annual event attracts a "Who's Who" of business executives and decision makers from various industries. Tickets are \$350.00 if purchased on or before March 17th, and \$400.00 thereafter. To purchase tickets, please visit <http://www.tnj.com/25-Influential-black-women-award-luncheon>.

About the 25 Influential Black Women in Business Awards

Launched in March 1999, *The Network Journal's* 25 Influential Black Women in Business Awards honors women whose professional achievements have significantly impacted an industry or profession, and who also have made an important contribution to her community. A "TNJ25" honoree typically is a business owner, or a partner, president, CEO, board chair, or other senior-management executive with significant decision-making authority in the corporate, nonprofit (including academia and medicine), or government sector.

About *The Network Journal*

Founded in 1993, *The Network Journal (TNJ)* is an award-winning magazine published quarterly. It provides news and commentaries 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 98,325 readers per issue, *TNJ* is distributed nationwide, with a focus on the New York tri-state area, while its daily digital edition at tnj.com reaches a global audience. For more information call (212) 962-3791, or visit the Web site at www.tnj.com.