

Deborah Tompkins Johnson

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Most of Deborah's professional career life was with Dominion Energy.

She started with Dominion in its Corporate Media Relations department at the Richmond headquarters. After relocating she served as the company's spokesperson for Northern Virginia and later held leadership positions in the company's Customer Service, Energy Efficiency and Key Accounts departments. In Key Accounts Deborah led the team assigned to the company's largest government, industrial and commercial accounts, including the region's prolific data center market. She retired from Dominion Energy as its regional policy director for Northern Virginia. She says a highlight of her Dominion Energy career was chairing the company's Environmental Justice Working Group.

Before joining Dominion Energy Deborah worked several years in radio and at the ABC television affiliate in the Richmond area where she reported and anchored morning and evening news and produced and hosted a public affairs show.

Deborah has and continues to volunteer in her community and for her alma mater.

She is the Vice-Rector for the James Madison University Board of Visitors. She is vice president of the Board of Trustees of Joe Gibbs' *Youth for Tomorrow*, which operates a residential campus for troubled, abandoned or abused youth and offers community-based services for at-risk youth and their families. She is an emeritus board member of the Dominion Energy Credit Union.

Deborah was an active member of the Alexandria Chamber of Commerce Board of Directors for many years including serving as Vice-President for Development. She chaired the Chamber's Valor Awards Committee for many years as well. Deborah is a graduate of Leadership Alexandria.

She also served as Chairman of the Board of the Leadership Center for Excellence, formerly Leadership Arlington—and on several other boards for Chambers of Commerce and non-profits.

In 2013 Deborah published the book ***How Did They Do That?—Career Highlights, Triumphs & Challenges***, a culmination of interviews she conducted with successful people who tell their stories of triumph in their personal lives and careers. The late Herman Boone, 1970's coach of the T.C. Williams Titans was one of those featured in her book. In 2019 Deborah published a companion journal to ***How Did They Do That?***

A writer at heart, throughout her professional career, Deborah published over 200 newspaper articles and commentaries in magazines and Northern Virginia newspapers and dozens of stories for her church, Antioch Baptist in Fairfax Station.