## Bernice P. Dixon

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Bernie is a distinguished and accomplished businesswoman. Capping her broad and well accomplished career in private industry, she has launched an angel investment and advisory group, Advising Angels (AA) aimed at early stage technology oriented companies owned and operated by women. AA accelerates the growth of companies by making equity investments in h

information systems and telecommunications for national security. Bernie also served as strategic telecommunications liaison to the White House during the Reagan administration and co-founded the President's National Security Telecommunications Advisory Committee comprised of industry leaders of the 30 dominant computer and communications companies in the US. A proven leader with expertise in driving high profile, large scale change initiatives, Bernie has more than 30 years experience in private industry.

In addition to her tenure as a senior executive in private industry, she served on the Board of Directors of Hospice and Palliative Care of Iredell County near Charlotte, NC, and Nutmeg Big Brothers / Big Sisters in Connecticut, She has served actively in Chair roles for United Way in both the Hartford, Connecticut and Charlotte, NC areas and has been active in local industry groups supporting women in technology. She serves in Board roles with several private companies and defense organizations supporting science, technology, engineering and math (STEM) initiatives. She is on the Board of Directors of the Metro Atlanta Chamber of Commerce, the Board of Trustees of the Morehouse School of Medicine and serves as an Executive in Residence at the Coles Business School at Kennesaw State University.

Born near Hershey, Pennsylvania, Bernie graduated Suma cum Laude from The Pennsylvania State University and continued her executive education at the University of Michigan and the Darden School of Business. She has received the YWCA National Women's Achiever Award, the United Way National Leader Award and several National Quality Leadership Awards. Currently, Bernie spends time between residences in the Charlotte and Atlanta areas.