

## Labor & Civil Rights Forum and 2015 Year-end Celebration

December 17, 2015

1:00 PM to 4:00 PM

The Conference Center at Mercer

1200 Old Trenton Road

West Windsor, NJ 08550

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### CELEBRATING AND RESTORING THE HISTORIC AND POWERFUL ALLIANCE OF LABOR AND CIVIL RIGHTS FOR RACIAL JUSTICE AND ECONOMIC OPPORTUNITY



#### Purpose of the Forum

With growing frustration over rising income inequality and mounting anger around racial injustice, the pivotal role of unions and civil rights needs to be reexamined for its historic significance and relevance to the critical challenges facing working people today.

This non-partisan forum will educate members, allies, and the public about the mutually reinforcing power relationship that once existed between labor and civil rights and how this alliance produced some of the most progressive policies and most inclusive expansion of middle class jobs that our nation had ever experienced.

It will show the importance of this coalition for today's serious challenges and it will call upon our congregations, unions, civic and civil rights groups to work together to restore and revive this alliance to advance and promote both racial justice and economic opportunity for all American workers, their families and communities.

#### Featured Speakers

Rev. Terrence Melvin, president of the International Coalition of Black Trade Unionists (CBTU) and secretary-treasurer of the powerful New York State AFL-CIO.



Clayola Brown, national president of the A. Philip Randolph Institute (APRI), AFL-CIO

Paul Jargowsky, director of the Center for Urban Research and and author of the [Architecture of Segregation - Civil Unrest, the Concentration of Poverty, and Public Policy](#).



Sharon Block, Principal Deputy Assistant Secretary for Policy at the U.S. Department of Labor.

For more information on featured speakers, sponsorship opportunities, program and to register for the December 17 Labor/Civil Rights Forum go to [buildingoneamerica.org](http://buildingoneamerica.org)

The conference will start at 1:00 PM and end at 4:00 PM followed by a holiday reception.

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