

## ACTING DIRECTOR GENERAL MINISTRY OF TOURISM, INVESTMENTS & AVIATION MRS. LATIA DUNCOMBE, ADG

**Latia Duncombe** is a Bahamian business professional, leveraging over twenty-five (25) years of cross-industry experience to promote personal and organizational success. She is an authentic transformational leader driven by her passion for excellence, learning, and her country. The teachings of Steven Covey inspire her leadership style; she seeks first to understand and encourages multidirectional collaboration.

Coming from humble beginnings on the island of Abaco, Latia firmly believes that one's start-point does not define their identity or pre-determine their path in life. This ideology has led to local and international responsibilities in The Bahamas, Cayman Islands, and Turks & Caicos Islands. Latia has a strong background in sales and marketing, public relations, finance, and business analysis. She also has a wealth of multi-industry experience spanning Banking & Finance, Wholesale and Retail Foods, Beverage Distribution, and the Fuel Industry.

Latia was employed as a Senior Executive and the Head of Sales & Marketing for Rubis Bahamas Limited. Latia was responsible for the strategic direction, sales growth, new business development, marketing, branding, and public relations in the Bahamas and the Turks & Caicos Islands. Latia holds an MBA with Merit from the University of Liverpool, an Associates of Arts in Accounting with Distinction from the Bahamas Baptist Community College and is an Affiliate of the Chartered Management Institute (CMI). She believes that learning is a lifelong pursuit and promotes a culture of continuous growth and development. Latia is equally committed to charitable and community work, and she recognizes the value of service to others. She currently serves as a REACH (Resources and Education for Autism Relates Challenges) board member. Latia is a former Miss World Bahamas, youth parliamentarian, and Red Cross volunteer. She also served as the Director of Finance for the Miss Bahamas Organization and as an International Pageant Judge.

Latia attends Believers Gospel Chapel and is married to Othniel Duncombe. Their seventeen-year union has blessed them with two energetic sons, Tré and Zion.

## **ABOUT THE BAHAMAS**

The Islands of The Bahamas have a place in the sun for everyone. Each island has its own personality and attractions for a variety of vacation styles with some of the world's best scuba diving, fishing, sailing, boating, as well as, shopping and dining. The destination offers an easily accessible tropical getaway and provides convenience for travelers with preclearance through U.S. customs and immigration, and the Bahamian dollar is on par with the U.S. dollar. Do everything or do nothing, just remember *It's Better in The Bahamas*.

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