## Diversity, Equity & Inclusivity in Action Webinar

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As President for Wave Welcome, Vennard Wright partners with organizations to provide leadership and strategic direction for key corporate initiatives. In this capacity, it is his responsibility to deliver recommendations and implement strategies for technology, business development, client services, and operations by ensuring that service delivery is in full alignment with both short and long-term goals and objectives.

His professional IT experience is comprised of multiple senior leadership roles which included serving as CIO/VP of Operations for Iron Bow Technologies, CIO for the Washington Suburban Sanitary Commission (WSSC Water), CIO for Prince George's County Government (MD), Director of Technology for Hillary Clinton during her successful United States Senate re-election campaign and subsequent 2008 Presidential Campaign, as well as serving as Director of Technology of Technology during Rushern L. Baker III's successful run for County Executive of Prince George's County, MD in 2010. He was also Chief Technology Officer and Technical Organization Delivery Manager for Electronic Data Systems (EDS), which was subsequently acquired by Hewlett Packard (HP).

Mr. Wright has also served as a volunteer and participated in numerous fundraisers and philanthropic efforts for various worthy causes. In addition to more than two decades of IT management experience, Vennard brings an equal amount of hands-on experience in working with young people through myriad avenues. His experience includes mentoring students in multiple settings. As a Roadrunners Club of America (RRCA) and USA Track & Field (USATF) certified coach, he has coached many young athletes into NCAA scholarships.

Because of his work in the technology industry, he has received numerous awards, authored multiple articles and spoken publicly on many topics, ranging from the importance of experiential learning in our educational systems to the changing role that emerging technology plays in future career prospects.

Mr. Wright also serves on a number of boards that help to widen his perspective on the latest methods for effectively applying digital technologies and best practices to solve common enterprise level problems. He is applying those same principles to solve some of the most vexing operational challenges in the Washington DC Metropolitan region.

Vennard Wright resides in Clinton, MD with his wife, Janelle, with whom he shares four amazing children.

