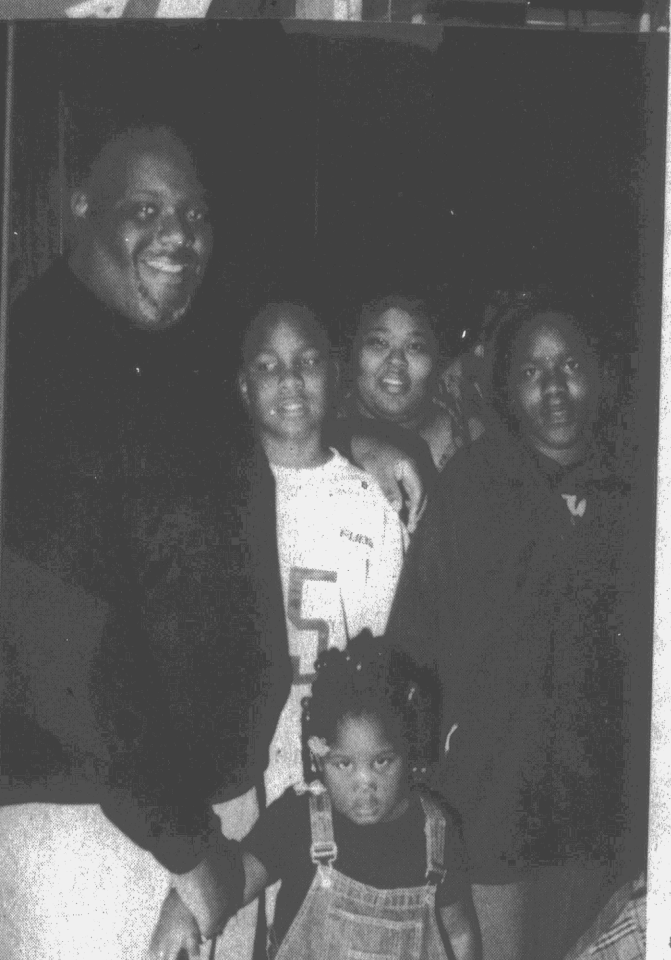
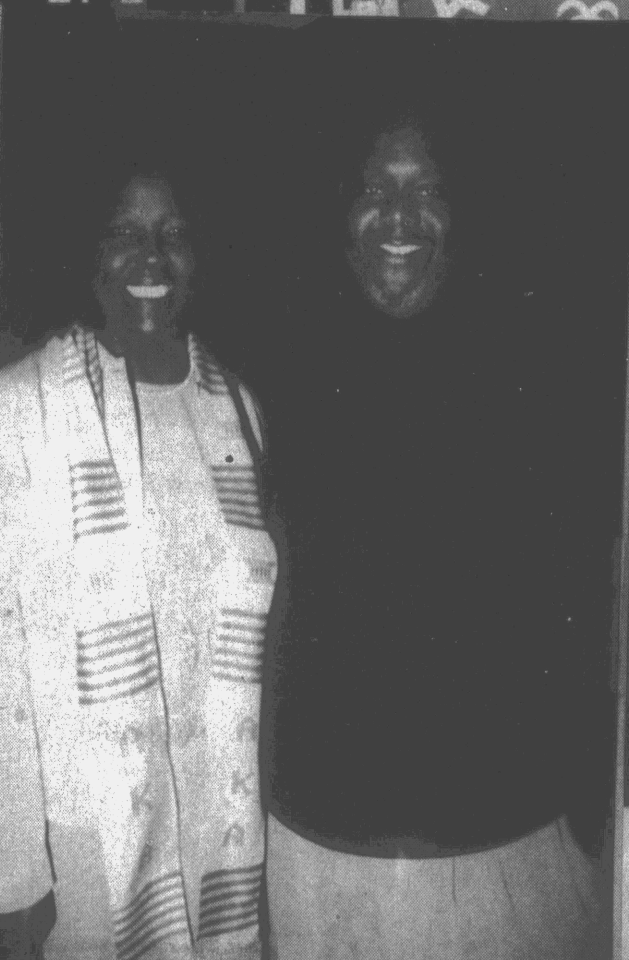
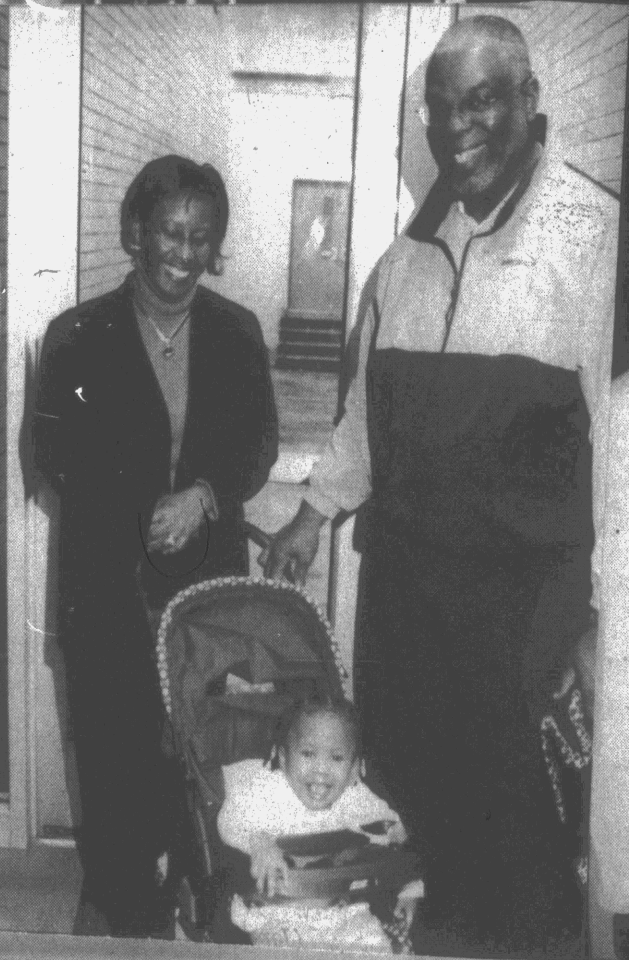


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Former Atlanta Mayor Joins Law Firm

from The Washington Afro American

Famed trial attorney Willie E. Gary is adding another jewel to his treasure chest. Bill Campbell, former Atlanta mayor, under whose leadership the city hosted the 1996 Olympic Games, is joining Gary's national law firm, best known for taking on and defeating some of America's most powerful corporations with verdicts totaling several billion dollars.

"The extraordinary honor of practicing law with perhaps the finest litigator in America is a dream come true," Campbell said. "Willie Gary's record of fighting for working people against corporate injustice is consistent with my philosophy in life. I now have the opportunity to not only make money for our clients, but to make a difference by shaping public policy through litigation at the same time.

Given my strong fight for affirmative action, I am particularly pleased that this law firm handles so many anti-discrimination lawsuits in its fight against racial inequality. I have been so richly blessed with the love and support of the people of Atlanta that only the opportunity of this magnitude - becoming a partner with Willie Gary - could draw me from a place that I love so dearly."

Campbell served two consecutive terms as the 57th mayor of Atlanta and was the city's third African-American mayor, following Maynard Jackson and Andrew Young.

"I am pleased to add Bill Campbell to our team of fighters," Gary said. "In addition to getting a great public servant, we add a great litigator who has spent his life working and fighting for the least of these. With more than \$50 billion in litigation pending, he is a perfect fit for our national litigation efforts."

Gary says Campbell's record of accomplishment is remarkable. Noting how he came from poverty in his own life, Gary said he is impressed with Campbell's leadership of what is viewed as one of the most incredible overhauls of public housing in America, a project that is now considered a model for national reform of public housing.

Gary also noted that the 6 billion dollar expansion of Atlanta's airport - the busiest in

the world - during Campbell's tenure as mayor included a high level of minority participation.

"He oversaw an expansive downtown renovation, including the construction of a new basketball and hockey arena at no cost to the taxpayers," Gary said. "He oversaw the economic renaissance of Black Atlanta, from the \$100 million redevelopment project along Martin Luther King Jr. Drive to the luring of Magic Johnson's movie theaters and restaurants to southwest Atlanta."

Gary also pointed to Campbell's support of affirmative action, which his administration successfully defended in court and his appointment of Atlanta's first female African-American po-

lice chief, under whose watch the city saw a record reduction in crime.

In addition to Campbell's many successes as mayor, Gary pointed to Campbell's role on the national stage as a plus for the firm.

"As a close friend of President Clinton and Vice President Gore, I know of their respect for Bill Campbell," Gary said. "He was personally selected by them for the honor of seconding the nomination of Vice President Gore during the Democratic National Convention. He is a leader on a national level who never forgot where he came from, always working to better the lives of the people of Atlanta."

Now, Campbell will partner

with Gary, who has earned his reputation as "The Giant Killer" by taking on some of America's most powerful corporate giants and winning billions of dollars in verdicts and settlements.

In 1995, Gary won a \$500 million verdict - one of the highest jury verdicts ever - against a Canadian funeral home company. In 2000, he won a \$240 million verdict against Disney when a jury found Disney stole the idea for a sports complex. In 2001, Gary won \$139 million from beer giant Anheuser-Busch on behalf of baseball great Roger Maris' family. Gary has also earned settlements of \$205 million, \$185 million, and \$175 million.

Campbell has spent the past year as the principal of Bill

Campbell and Company, a communications and media-consulting firm in Atlanta. He has also been hosting a daily public affairs morning radio talk show in Atlanta along with Jean Ross, while providing weekly political commentary for the syndicated "Frank Ski Morning Show." Campbell has also lectured at national and international forums about diversity, race relations, affirmative action, the digital divide, and terrorism.

He has been named one of the "Top 25 Most Dynamic Mayors in America" by Newsweek magazine and one of the "100 Most Influential Black Americans" by Ebony. In 2001, he was awarded the "Courage of Conscience" medal from Morehouse

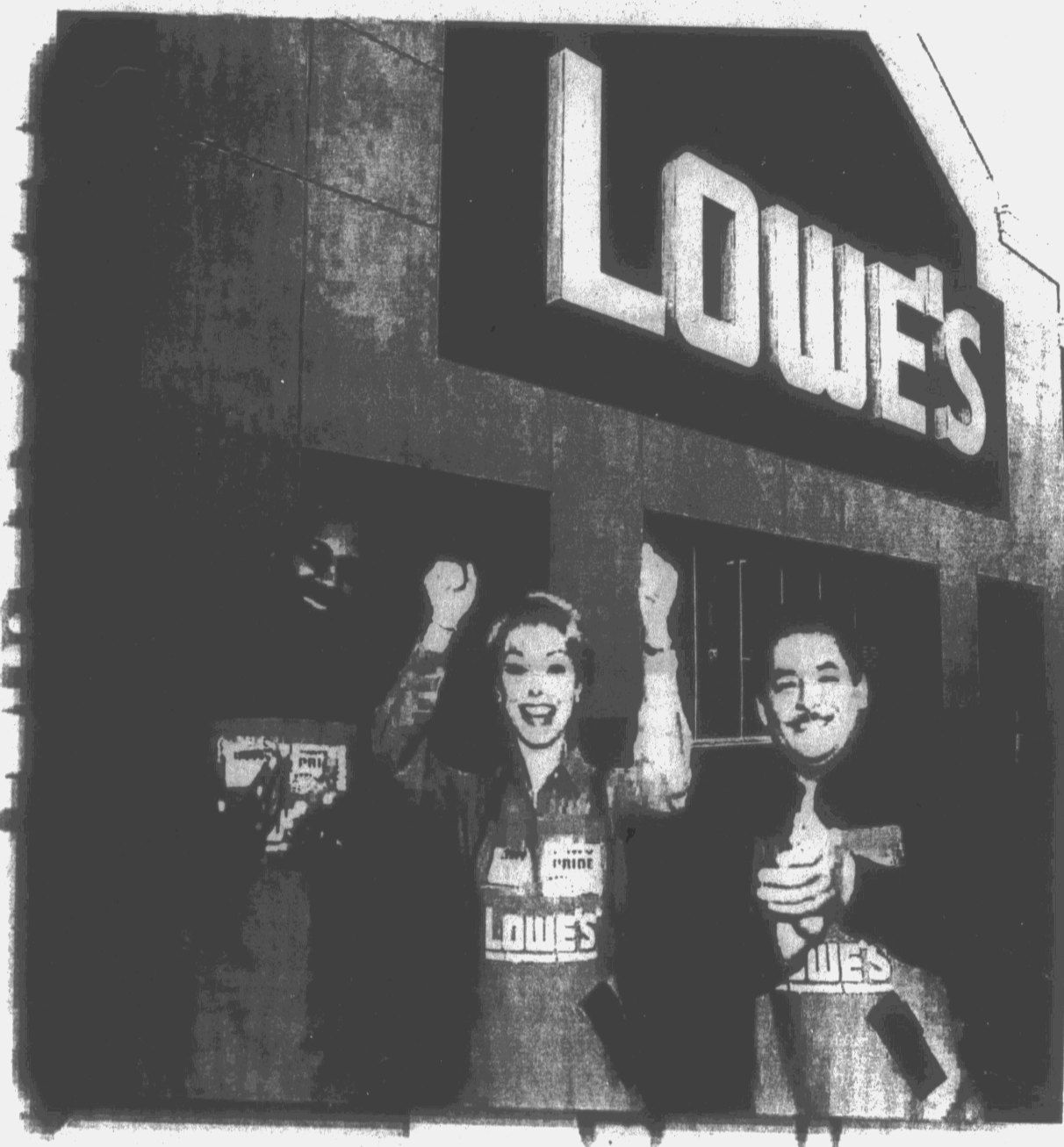
College. Campbell has also received honorary doctorates of law from Morris Brown College and Shaw University.

Campbell graduated cum laude from Vanderbilt University in 1974 in only three years with his bachelor's in history, sociology, and political science.

He received his doctorate in law from Duke University in 1977. Campbell has practiced law in Atlanta and has been a prosecutor with the U. S. Department of Justice. He is a member of the Atlanta Bar Association.

He is married and has two children. He joined the law firm of Gary, Williams, Parenti, Finney, Lewis, McManus, Watson & Sperando on Feb. 3.

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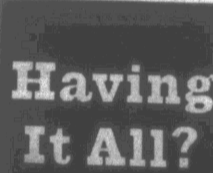
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BOOKSCAPE

by Tim Butler
Entertainment Editor

Can Black women really have it all?



In her book, *Having It All?*, Veronica Chambers addresses what it means to be a successful Black woman. She profiles a wide variety of successful women of color, including Donna August, CEO and co-founder of Fresh Water Software; Thelma

Golden, chief curator of The Studio Museum in Harlem; and Anna Perez, the current deputy assistant to President George W. Bush and counselor to the national security advisor for communication.

According to Chambers, there is more than one road to success, multiple definitions of success and how the world treats successful Black women. In the chapter "Black Swans: Women of Privilege Across the Generations," Chambers examines Black women who have come from a privileged background and the effect their prominence has on the cultural image of Black women.

In "To Whom Much is Given Much is Expected," she delves into the guilt and pressure that successful Black women can feel from less affluent family members' expectations of them as the "family money store."

Having It All? is a book that invites a better understanding of Black women, all women, and the changing fabric of both the Black community and the American community.

Chambers is formerly a cultural writer for *Newsweek* and executive editor of *Savoy*.

The power of being a woman



Sue Monk Kidd's debut novel, *The Secret Life of Bees*, is the story of Lily Owens, a girl who has shaped her life around one devastating memory - the afternoon her mother was killed, when Lily was four. Besides her harsh and unyielding father, Lily's only real companion is

Rosaleen, a tender, but fierce-hearted Black woman who cooks, cleans and acts as her "stand-in mother."

One summer afternoon in 1964 in South Carolina - a place and time of seething racial tensions - violence explodes and Rosaleen is arrested and beaten. Lily is desperate, not only to save Rosaleen, but to flee from a life she can no longer endure. Relying on her personal power, she breaks Rosaleen out of jail and the two escape, into what quickly becomes Lily's quest for the truth about her mother's life.

They are taken in by three Black, beekeeping sisters, May, June and August, and Lily is consumed by their secret world of bees and honey, and of the Black Madonna who presides over this household of strong, wise women.

This is the special kind of book that mothers and daughters can share.