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# ***Empowered Voices: Strategies of Effective Leaders***

Wednesday, April 29, 2009

8 am - 1 pm

Russell House Ballroom

University of South Carolina

Hosted by the Provost's Advisory Committee on Women's Issues

# FEATURED SPEAKERS



**INEZ TENENBAUM** joined the McNair Law Firm as special counsel in the area of school finance in 2008 after serving for two terms as South Carolina's State Superintendent of Education (1999-2007). In addition to having practiced health, environment, and public interest law with the firm Sinkler and Boyd, she has worked as an elementary school teacher and served as the director of research for the Medical, Military, Public, and Municipal Affairs Committee of the SC House of Representatives.



**HILDY TEEGEN** is Dean of the Moore School of Business. Prior to coming to the University of South Carolina in 2007, she was director of the George Washington University's Center for International Business Education and Research in Washington, D.C. While at George Washington, Teegen held a joint appointment as Professor of International Business at the School of Business and Professor of International Affairs at the Elliott School of International Affairs.



**BARBARA GELBERD** is president of the Columbia-based BridgeBuilders, LLC, an independent business consultant providing change management to executive teams. She has more than 20 years of health care experience in operations management, business development, and process improvement in the provider, managed care, and disease management sectors.



**SARITA CHOUREY** reports on South Carolina state politics and government for a handful of daily and weekly newspapers in South Carolina. In addition to her news coverage, she blogs about politics and public policy for *Skirt! Magazine*. Sarita has covered politics for *The Hill*, a congressional newspaper in Washington D.C. This year she will be launching SwapOtter.com, a networking site that allows women to connect with other women to trade goods and services.



**CAROLYN SAWYER** is a CEO, an award-winning entrepreneur, and author. Sawyer left the television industry in 1996 to launch her own strategic communications group, the Tom Sawyer Company. She has written a best selling business book called *Forget the Glass Slipper*, which highlights the traits of million dollar companies.

# SCHEDULE

8:00 am

## Coffee & Registration

8:45 am

## Welcome & Intro of Opening Speaker (Ballroom A)

Christine Curtis, Vice Provost for Faculty Development

9:00 am

## Opening Speaker (Ballroom A)

The Honorable Inez Tenenbaum, South Carolina State Superintendent of Education (1999-2007)

*Women in Public Office*

10:10 am

## Panel Discussion (Ballroom A)

- Barbara Gelberd, president of BridgeBuilders, LLC  
*Poised to Lead*
- Sarita Chourey, correspondent for Morris News Service  
*Social Media: Beyond naval-gazing*
- Carolyn Sawyer, CEO of Tom Sawyer Company  
*The Importance of Becoming Economically Independent: How to Succeed in the Business World*

11:10 am

## Breakout Sessions with Panelists

Room 203: Barbara Gelberd  
Room 205: Sarita Chourey  
Ballroom A: Carolyn Sawyer

12:00 pm

## Lunch & Keynote Speaker (Ballroom B & C)

- Remarks by Interim Provost William T. Moore
- Introduction by Christine Curtis
- Hildy Teegen, Dean of Moore School of Business  
*The Path to Powerful Leadership*