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Nationality: Jamaican

Date and Place of Birth: 14 March 1942, Kingston, Jamaica

Working Languages: English

Current Position:

Director of the Regional Coordinating Unit, Centre for Gender & Development Studies (CGDS), University of the West Indies, Kingston, Jamaica, since 1996. In this capacity, Professor Bailey has represented the Government of Jamaica at regional and international conferences on matters relating to gender, women's rights.

In addition, Professor Bailey provides advice to the Government of Jamaica on gender matters, and since 2004, she has chaired the **National Gender Advisory Committee**, which is mandated to develop a strategic and comprehensive policy for achieving gender equality and social justice and provide direction, coordination, integration and monitoring of gender mainstreaming activities of the Government of Jamaica.

Main Professional Activities:

2003- Present, Professor, Gender & Education, University of the West Indies, Kingston, Jamaica

1980 -1996, Lecturer, Faculty of Education, University of the West Indies, Kingston, Jamaica

Education:

Ph.D. Education, University of the West Indies (UWI), Jamaica, 1987

M.A. Education, University of the West Indies, Jamaica, 1983

BSc. Med. Microbiology, University of the West Indies, Jamaica, 1974

Non-Degree Studies: Advanced Reading Course on Gender and Development Issues, Dalhousie University, Canada, 1999

Other main activities in the field relevant to the mandate of the treaty body concerned:

Chair, Gender Task Force, 2030 National Development Plan, Planning Institute of Jamaica. 2007 - Present.

Member, Regional Advisory Committee on Gender Matters, UNIFEM, 1995 - Present.

Member, Project Advisory Committee, Canada-Caribbean Gender Equity Fund, Canadian International Development Agency (CIDA), Kingston, Jamaica, 2000 – 2005.

Chair, Board of Studies, Mona Unit, Centre for Gender & Development Studies, Mona Campus, UWI, 2003-2006.

Member, **CARICOM Task Force on Gender Mainstreaming**, CARICOM Secretariat. Georgetown, Guyana, October 2002.

Co-Chair, The Jamaica National Preparatory Commission appointed by the GOJ to prepare the National Report on the Status of Women in Jamaica for the Fourth World Conference on Women, Beijing, China: September, 1995. July 1993 to August 1994.

Consultant to Caribbean Community (CARICOM) Secretariat at the Twenty-third Special Session of the General Assembly entitled '*Women 2000: gender equality, development and peace for the twenty-first century*'. United Nations Headquarters, New York, June, 2000.

Consultant to Caribbean Community (CARICOM) Secretariat at the meeting of the *Commission on the Status of Women Acting as the Preparatory Committee for the UN Special Session on Women*, United Nations Headquarters, New York. March, 2000.

Consultant to Caribbean Community (CARICOM) Secretariat at the *Eighth Session of the Regional Conference on Women in Latin America and the Caribbean*, Lima, Peru with responsibility for making appropriate interventions and formulating language in negotiations to produce the Lima Consensus. February, 2000

Designed and facilitated a Post-Beijing +5 Meeting for Directors of Women's Bureaux sponsored by the Caribbean Community (CARICOM), Kingston, Jamaica. December, 2000.

Authored and presented a paper on 'Women and Education' at an Expert Group Meeting on Beijing +5 hosted by the United Nations Development Fund for Women (UNIFEM) Caribbean Office and the Caribbean Community (CARICOM) Secretariat. St. Michael, Barbados, March 2000.

Representation at regional and International Meetings: UNITED NATIONS

Head of Jamaican Delegation to 36th Session of the Committee on the Elimination of Discrimination against Women (CEDAW) to present and defend Jamaica's Fifth Periodic Report. United Nations, New York. August 11, 2006.

Member of Jamaican Delegation to the 50th Session of the Commission on the Status of Women, United Nations, New York. March 2006. Prepared and presented Jamaica's Statement to the Assembly March 2, 2006.

Representative of the Government of Jamaica on the Consultative Committee of the United Nations Development Fund for Women, January 2001 to December 2003, UNIFEM, New York.

Member of Jamaican Delegation to Twenty-third Special Session of the General Assembly entitled '*Women 2000: gender equality, development and peace for the twenty-first century*'. United Nations Headquarters, New York, June, 2000.

Member of Jamaican Delegation to the Fourth World Conference on Women, Beijing, China, September, 1995.

Member of Jamaican Delegation to the United Nations World Conference to Review the Achievements of the United Nations Decade for Women, Nairobi, Kenya, July 1985.

REGIONAL ORGANIZATIONS:

Jamaican representative to the meeting of the Committee of Experts on Violence (CEVI) of the Inter-American Commission of Women, Organisation of American States. Buenos Aires, Argentina. July 18-21, 2007

Government of Jamaica representative to the 33rd Assembly of Delegates of the Inter-American Commission of Women. San Salvador, El Salvador. November 13 – 15, 2006.

Appointed representative of the Government of Jamaica on the Committee of Experts on Violence (CEVI) of the Inter-American Commission of Women (CIM), Organisation of American States and attended meeting on Follow-Up Mechanism to monitor the Convention of Belem do Para. Washington, D.C. July 24-25, 2006.

List of most recent publications in the field:

Co-edited Books:

2004 *Gender in the Twenty-First Century: Caribbean Perspectives, Visions and Possibilities.* Kingston, Jamaica. Ian Randle Publishers.

2003 *Gender Equality in the Caribbean: Reality or Illusion.* Kingston, Jamaica: Ian Randle Publishers.

2000 *Gender Issues in Caribbean Education.* Caribbean Community (CARICOM) Secretariat: Guyana.

Articles:

2007 Caribbean Labour Markets: Potential of the CSME for Reducing Gender Disparities. Hall, K. & Chuck-A-Sang, M. (eds.). *CARICOM Single Market and Economy: Genesis and Prognosis*, Kingston, Jamaica, Ian Randle Publishers.

2005 *Petticoat and Coat-tails: The Dialectic of Educational Attainment and Socio-Economic, Political Autonomy and Control in the Caribbean*, **IDEAZ** Vol. 4. Nos. 1&2.

2004 Gender Equality and Women's Empowerment, In: *Regional Report on the Achievement of the Millennium Development Goals in the Caribbean Community*, New York, United Nations Development Programme (UNDP).

2004 The Caribbean Experience in the International Women's Movement: Issues, Process, Constraints and Opportunities, In: *Gender in the Twenty-First Century: Caribbean Perspectives, Visions and Possibilities*, Kingston, Jamaica, Ian Randle Publishers.

Monographs:

2001 *A Review of Gender Issues in the Dominican Republic, Haiti and Jamaica.* Report No. 21866-LAC. Washington, DC: The World Bank, (Consultant to the World Bank for the development of Chapter 4 on Jamaica)

SELECTED COMMISSIONED REPORTS:

Gender Impact Survey, Conducted on behalf of the UWI Mona Campus Strategic Transformation Team and Report presented to April 2007 Academic Board Meeting.

Gender Socialisation, Schooling and Violence in Guyana, Dominica and Grand Cayman, Compiled and edited the report developed by CGDS Staff Researchers, 2006.

Gender Based Violence in Jamaica, Compiled and edited the report developed by CGDS staff Researchers, 2005.

Gender Profile: Jamaica, Prepared for the Japan International Cooperation Agency, 2005