

# Savoy Magazine's Top Influential Women in Corporate America

## SELECTION CRITERIA

*Savoy Magazine's "Top Influential Women in Corporate America"* showcases a cross section of business leaders and executives who represent a very diverse range of industries with a national and global focus. While we looked at many potential candidates and a variety of "Top 100" listings, we wanted our list to represent not necessarily those who have the most power, but to have those with the most influence not just within their companies, but also in their surrounding communities. These inspired visionaries truly represent the mission of *Savoy Magazine* and encompass a broad professional base ranging from the supplier diversity, financial services and real estate to healthcare, sports and telecommunications.

The selection process for *Savoy Magazine's "Top Influential Women in Corporate America"* begins with a landscape of the spheres of influence that greatly impact our readership. These spheres include: corporate sector influence, scholastic achievement, career growth, community outreach and recognition. The information, which was received from over 500 prospective candidates in very diverse fields, was pre-screened by our selection committee. Our selection committee includes our editorial board and community leaders with representatives from the academic and business arenas. We reviewed information on executives who are in human resources, information, real estate, finance, investment banking, diversity, foundations, procurement, business development, marketing, sales, health care, manufacturing and legal. After reviewing all of the profiles, the field of candidates was narrowed to our 2016 "Top Influential Women" listing based upon their exemplary record of accomplishments and for stepping up their game in the "spheres of influence" to help better their community and to inspire others.

Once we identified the "2016 Top Influential Women in Corporate America," we notified these exceptional leaders to announce their inclusion in our "Top Influential Women." From there, we received additional information that was developed into the profiles presented here in *Savoy Magazine*.

We salute all of our corporate honorees and recognize all the business leaders who submitted their information for consideration. We continue to encourage them to "aim for the stars" and to remember to reach back to bring others along too.