



Biography

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J. Latrice Hill serves as the Director of Outreach for USDA's Farm Service Agency. The Farm Service Agency provides assistance farmers and ranchers nationwide through various farm programs and loan assistance.

Hill began her federal career as a county office clerk with FSA (formerly Farmers Home Administration). She later served in the position of farm loan officer for six counties in south Mississippi. With a strong background in communications and passion for serving others, Hill was later selected to serve as the FSA State Public Relations and Outreach Specialist, overseeing outreach activities in 71 counties. While in Mississippi, Hill was appointed by two US Secretaries of Agriculture to serve on the National Advisory Committee for Beginning Farmers and Ranchers for three two-year terms.

In 2019, Hill was appointed by Secretary of Agriculture Sonny Perdue to again serve on the National Advisory Committee for Beginning Farmers and Ranchers. She is the current Executive Chair of USDA's Women in Agriculture employee organization.

As Director of Outreach, Hill has received several awards and recognition for her collaborations and work with rural farmers, organizations and students. Notable accomplishments include the Emerson Congressional Hunger Center's Policy Leadership Award, Secretary's Award for work with local and regional food systems, Beginning Farmers and Ranchers, FSA Administrator's Team Award for Farm Bill Outreach, Woman in Agriculture Legacy Award and many others.

A native of Mississippi, Hill earned her bachelor's degree in Business Administration from Belhaven University. She has been active in many organizations over the years, including: Public Relations Society of America (PRSA), Women in Public Relations, Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Inc. and a lifetime member of the FFA Alumni Association and MS Women for Agriculture. In her spare time, Latrice volunteers for the Leukemia & Lymphoma Society, Make a Wish Foundation, and USDA Earth Team. She enjoys spending time judging forensic tournaments and participating in after-dinner speaking engagements.

She maintains residences in Virginia and Mississippi.