

**Spotlight on  
DR. AARON D. FORD**

**Birthdate/Birthplace:** May 24, 1972, Dallas, Texas.

**Family:** Parents, stepfather, grandparents, brothers, sister, uncles, aunts, and cousins.

**Nickname:** “Doc”

**Community Activities & Associations:** J.L. Turner Legal Association; Dallas Bar Association; Kappa Alpha Psi Fraternity, Inc.

**If I had a different job or occupation:** Foreign Service Officer

**Four guests at my fantasy dinner:** Thurgood Marshall, Colin Powell, Bill Clinton, and Kwame Nkrumah.

**Favorite books/most enjoyable reading:** *Arc of Justice*, by Kevin Boyle

**Last book read:** *My Life*, by Bill Clinton

**My favorite performer(s) are:** Anita Baker, Sade and Michael Jackson.

**I am proud of:** the fact that I have found my soul mate in my wife, Berna L. Rhodes-Ford.

**My all-time favorite movie:** American Me

**Nobody knows that:** I do a mean karaoke impression of Michael Jackson

**Favorite junk food:** Rolos.

**When I was a teenager, my idol was:** Michael Jackson

**My ideal vacation:** Traveling the world.

**I am happiest when:** I am with my wife and kids.

**I regret:** that some fail to use their abilities to aid others in need of assistance.

**I am tired of:** complacency.

**The electrical device I could not live without:** Blackberry

**The biggest waste of time:** Complaining, but offering no solutions.

**If I won the lotto, the most extravagant thing I would do:** Retire and roam the world.

**If I could change one thing about J.L. Turner:** more participation by the membership.

**The advice I would give to younger lawyers:** Cultivate relationships, for they are the key to success.

**The advice I would give to older lawyers:** Be willing to teach and assist younger lawyers.

**My favorite old song:** *Sweet Love*, by Anita Baker.

**My Favorite New Song:** *Unbreakable*, by Alicia Keyes.

**Favorite quote:** “There is no bigger fallacy than the ‘bootstrap’ mentality.” – Aaron D. Ford

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