

National Economic Association to Present the Samuel Z. Westerfield Award to Dr. James B. Stewart

Luncheon event to be held on January 7, 2022 at the New Orleans Hilton Riverside Hotel

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Valerie Wilson, President, NEA

Stewart, a Senior Fellow at the Institute on Race, Power and Political Economy at the New School and inaugural Director of the Black Economic Research Center for the 21st Century. Dr. Stewart spent most of his professional career at Penn State University (PSU) and in 2009 retired with the rank of Professor Emeritus after 29 years. He is also a past NEA President.

The award will be given at the Samuel Z. Westerfield Award luncheon on January 7, 2023, at the New Orleans Hilton Riverside Hotel in conjunction with the NEA Annual and

Allied Social Sciences Association (ASSA) meetings. The luncheon will draw top leaders and thinkers from the world of economics, especially the African American community.

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A Notre Dame alumnus, Dr. Stewart was the former Vice Provost for Educational Equity at PSU. He coordinated the development of Penn State's first Diversity Strategic plan, entitled “A Framework to Foster Diversity at Penn State: 1998-2003.” This plan has been the foundation for subsequent revisions and updates and a model adopted by several other educational institutions. In addition, Dr. Stewart, a former editor of *The Review of Black Political Economy*, has edited and coedited several monographs and authored several articles in peer-reviewed journals such as *African American Studies*, *Industrial and Labor Relations Review*, *Journal of Black Studies*, *Journal of Economic Literature*, *Journal of Human Resources*, *Journal of Negro*

Education, Review of Black Political Economy, and Review of Economics and Statistics. Stewart's past and current leadership positions reflect his parallel careers in Economics and Africana Studies.

The award is named after the first recipient of the award, Ambassador Samuel Westerfield, who is hailed as an extraordinary teacher and university administrator, committed government official, highly respected international diplomat, and an ardent builder of organizations devoted to widespread economic development and acknowledgment of the Black experience.

Samuel Z. Westerfield Award luncheon

Date: Saturday, January 7, 2023

Time: 12:30 p.m. to 2:30 p.m. (CT)

Place: Hilton Riverside (St James Ballroom)

Price: \$80 per ticket**

** Prices go up after December 15. To purchase tickets, please visit [Eventbrite](#). For all the information regarding the award and event, visit the NEA and Eventbrite websites.

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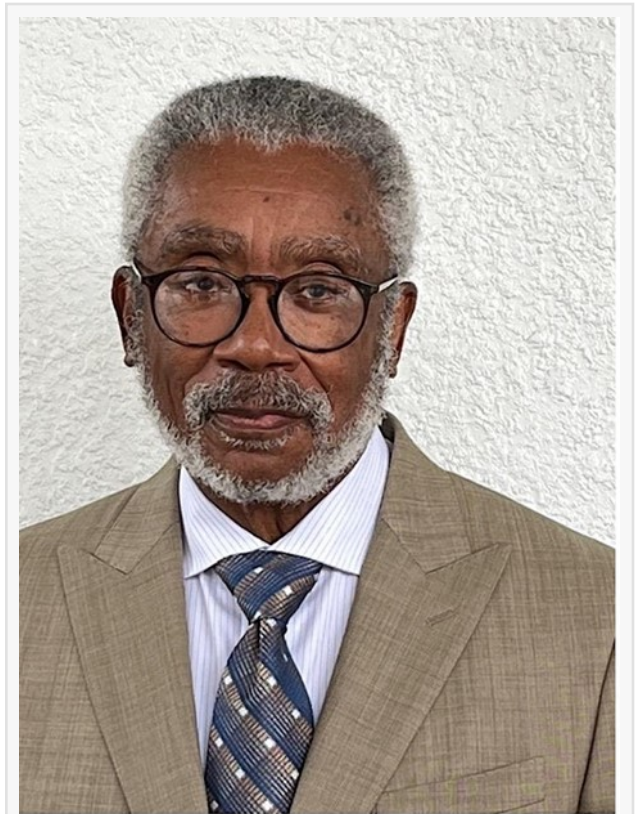
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