



**Hon. Elizabeth Naa Kwatsoe Tawiah Sackey**  
***Greater Accra Deputy Regional Minister***

Born in Tamale, Ghana, the Hon. Elizabeth K.T. Sackey, hails from the Asene Clan in the Greater Accra Region. Elizabeth is a polyglot, conversant in five languages including Ga, Twi and Hausa.

Elizabeth Sackey is a proud graduate of Accra High School and the University of Ghana, with a BSc in Public Administration. She is also an economist and certificate holder in Marketing. Mrs. Sackey was also employed at Ghana Commercial Bank, over a 22-year period, where she served as Chief Clerk, prior to becoming a Member of Parliament.

Following her banking career, she served as a member of the AMA District Assembly for Akweteman Electoral Area in the Okaikwei North Constituency and eventually rose to become a Member of Parliament, for 12 years.

She was first elected to the position in 2004, and later won 2008 and 2012 parliamentary elections on the New Patriotic Party (NPP) ticket. Her rich experience, love and dedication for the NPP party, and for Ghana, led H. E. Nana Addo Dankwa Akufo Addo to appoint her as the current Deputy Regional Minister for Greater Accra.

*She has also served as:*

- Chairman of the Greater Accra NPP Members of Parliament Caucus, Greater Accra Region Campaign Member (NPP 2016).
- As a Ghanaian representative to the Economic Community of West African States (ECOWAS).

- The First Secretary General for ECOWAS's Female Parliamentary Association (ECOFEPa).
- Organizing Member for NPP National Thanksgiving Service, 2016.
- The first woman in the history of Okaikwei North to win the District Assembly, and the first to win the Parliamentary seat for three terms.

The Hon. Mrs. Sackey's infectious attributes have made her a mentor and counselor to many people.

She is married to Mr. Samuel Sackey, and the couple has four children. □



## **Bernice Dapaah**

Bernice Dapaah is the Founder and CEO of the Ghana Bamboo Bikes Initiative (GBBI), in Kumasi, Ghana, which manufactures the iconic Eco-Ride bamboo bicycle. Under her leadership, the initiative has developed from a project idea to an award-winning social enterprise that has won several international awards.

Ms. Dapaah is a prolific young woman popularly known for her insatiable innovative drive in social entrepreneurship. She has recently been crowned with the prestigious CEO Business Award by the Africa Aurora Business Network (AABN), has been a long-time Young Global Leader of the World Economic Forum, and is an alumna of Harvard University's Executive Education Program.

She holds a Diploma in Human Resource Management and Marketing from the Institute of Commercial Management UK and a bachelor's degree in Business Administration from the Christian Service University College, in Kumasi. She has more than a decade of work experience in both the for-profit and non-profit industries. Bernice is a member of the World Economic Forum Global Agenda Council on Biodiversity and Natural Capital, made up of the world's foremost intellectual network, convening the most relevant and knowledgeable thought leaders from business, government, academia and civil society to address key global issues.

She was named as an Ambassador of the World Bamboo Organization, having also been appointed as a member of the prestigious Global Teacher Prize Academy. In addition, she has been honored with the World Entrepreneurship Forum's "Entrepreneur for the World Award" for her impact on society and capacity to change the world. □



### **Gerianne Tringali DiPiano**

Gerianne Tringali DiPiano serves as President and Chief Executive Officer of FemmePharma Global Healthcare, Inc. and is Chairman of the Board of Directors for FemmePharma Holding Company, Inc. A pharmaceutical industry executive and women's healthcare expert, Gerianne founded the innovative company in 1996 in response to the industry's narrow focus on women's health needs – such as contraception and hormone replacement therapy – but lack of attention to other important women's diseases and disorders.

Her passion for developing new treatment methods for healing has given hope to millions of women. Guided by her vision to provide more effective treatment options for women, FemmePharma Global Healthcare, Inc. is focused on improving women's health by developing prescription pharmaceuticals that are specifically designed for women across a broad range of therapeutic categories.

With more than 30 years' experience in the healthcare industry, Gerianne's background spans many facets of the pharmaceutical industry including pharmaceutical sales, marketing, market and systems planning, medical affairs, new product development, licensing and business development at several multinational companies including Baxter HealthCare/American Hospital Supply Corp., Bristol-Myers Squibb, Sterling-Winthrop and Wyeth.

She has held academic appointments at Saint Joseph's as Director of the Pharmaceutical MBA program and as an adjunct professor of marketing and has taught courses in strategic and pharmaceutical marketing. Gerianne received her Bachelor of Science degree in biology from Marquette University, MBA from Saint Joseph's University, and Doctor of Science (HC) from University of the Sciences in Philadelphia.

Currently, she serves on the Board of Trustees for Drexel University and Saint Joseph's University, the Board of Directors for Living Beyond Breast Cancer, the Corporate Advisory Board of the Society for Gynecologic Investigation, the Editorial Advisory Board of Biotechnology Healthcare, and the Advisory Board for the School of Public Health, Drexel University, and Vice Chair of the Board of Trustees for the Clery Center.

She has been a finalist in the Ernst and Young Entrepreneur of the Year for the Greater Philadelphia Region in 2002, 2003 and 2004 and has been recognized in "People to Watch in 2004" by *Philadelphia Magazine*. She is the 2004 Recipient of the Iris Newman Award sponsored by the Ben Franklin Technology Partners of Southeastern Pennsylvania, was named a Woman of Distinction by the *Philadelphia Business Journal* in 2006 and was recognized by Governor Rendell as one of Pennsylvania's 51 Best Women In Business in 2007. She was 2011 Hall of Fame recipient of the HAUB School of Business. PharmaVoice named Gerianne as one of the 100 most inspiring individuals in the United States Pharmaceutical Industry and one of the top 12 entrepreneurs. □



## **Renée Chenault Fattah**

Renée Chenault Fattah has anchored and reported for CBS, FOX, ABC, and PBS stations in Atlanta, Los Angeles, New York, and New Jersey. For 25 years, she was a main coanchor, reporter, and legal correspondent for the NBC station in Philadelphia, where she also produced and anchored a weekly health program and hosted numerous arts and cultural programs.

Over the years, Renée has dedicated herself to speaking and engaging with civic, church, and educational institutions about the transformational power of education and the importance of opening opportunities for young people in the STEM fields. As a natural outgrowth of her passion around educational equity, she serves on the boards of Johns Hopkins University and Springside Chestnut Hill Academy. And, for 13 years, she served on the board of the Philadelphia Museum of Art.

Prior to television, Renée practiced commercial litigation at the Wall Street law firm of Hughes Hubbard & Reed and she clerked for the Hon. Damon J. Keith on the United States Court of Appeals for The Sixth Circuit.

Renée holds a masters degree in journalism from the University of Missouri, a law degree from The University of Pennsylvania School of Law, and a bachelor's degree in political science from Johns Hopkins University.

She is married to former U.S. Congressman Chaka Fattah and lives in Chestnut Hill with her two teenage daughters. □