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NATIONAL CONSTITUTION CENTER WELCOMES M'BALIA SINGLEY AND PATRICE SMITH

Philadelphia, PA (August 9, 2007) – The National Constitution Center announces the appointment of **M'Balia Singley** as Director of National Student Programs and **Patrice Smith** as Director of Government and Foundation Relations.

As Director of National Student Programs, **M'Balia Singley** will be in charge of developing, implementing, and evaluating an innovative series of outreach programs that serve a diverse national school audience.

Before joining the National Constitution Center, Singley served as a Financial Specialist in the Chief Finance Office of the School District of Philadelphia. During her time there, she facilitated daily operations of the Risk Management Department, and was responsible for project management in all facets of finance. Singley also previously worked at Odyssey Waste Services in Philadelphia, where she served as the Human Resource Manager and Manager of Marketing.

Singley earned a Bachelor's degree in history from Yale University. She is currently a 2nd year law student at Temple University's Beasley School of Law evening program. She is a current Board Member of the Black Alliance for Educational Options, and also serves as a Board Chairperson for the Hannah House. In addition, Singley acts as a volunteer monitor at the District Attorney's Youth Aid Panel. She currently resides in Mt. Airy.

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As Director of Government and Foundation Relations, **Patrice Smith** will oversee all fundraising from private, public, and government foundations.

Before joining the National Constitution Center, Smith served as the Assistant Director of Corporate and Foundation Giving of Robert Morris University in Pittsburgh. During her time at Robert Morris University, Smith developed fundraising strategies for foundation, corporate, and individual donors, and provided support for the Institutional Advancement team. She also previously worked at the Women's Center & Shelter of Greater Pittsburgh as Development Associate and Grant Coordinator. Prior to that, she served as the Program Director at the East End Cooperative Ministry.

Smith earned her Master's degree in nonprofit management from Robert Morris University. She earned Bachelor's degrees in public administration and sociology from the University of Pittsburgh. She currently resides in Voorhees, New Jersey.

The National Constitution Center, located at 525 Arch St. on Philadelphia's Independence Mall, is an independent, nonpartisan, nonprofit organization dedicated to increasing public understanding of the U.S. Constitution and the ideas and values it represents. The Center serves as a museum, an education center, and a forum for debate on constitutional issues. The museum dramatically tells the story of the Constitution from Revolutionary times to the present through more than 100 interactive, multimedia exhibits, film, photographs, text, sculpture and artifacts, and features a powerful, award-winning theatrical performance, "Freedom Rising". The Center also houses the Annenberg Center for Education and Outreach, which serves as the hub for national constitutional education. For more information, call 215.409.6700 or visit www.constitutioncenter.org.

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