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The Network Journal to Honor Donna Johnson at it's 15th Annual 25 Influential Black Women in Business Awards Luncheon

NEW YORK, N.Y. (March 2013) — MasterCard announced today, that <u>Donna Johnson</u>, Senior Vice President, Chief Diversity Officer, was honored at the Network Journal's 15th Annual 25 Influential Black Women in Business Awards Luncheon. *TNJ* will honor these 25 exceptional women during Women's History Month at its 15th Anniversary Luncheon on March 21 at the renowned New York Marriott Marquis Hotel, located at 1535 Broadway (between 45th & 46th streets) in the business capital of the world, New York City, from 11:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. In addition, each honoree will be profiled in the March issue of the magazine. Donna Johnson is one of four honorees featured on the cover of this issue, and will be dressed by renowned African-American designer B Michael of b michael America.

"This year's honorees are a particularly special class, one that marks the 15th consecutive year that we have presented these awards," states *TNJ* Publisher and CEO **Aziz Gueye Adetimirin.** "We are proud of them, as we are proud of all of our past honorees, because they help our community to lift its head so much higher." The Awards program entails a cocktail networking reception, lunch and a presentation of the awards. The Mistress of Ceremonies will be Michelle Miller, correspondent and anchor for CBS News programs and recipient of the National Association of Black Journalists' Award of Excellence. The event attracts a Who's Who of prominent business executives in various industries annually. Sponsors this year include: **L'Oreal USA, Entergy, Macy's, and WBLS-FM**.

Donna Johnson on the cover of The Network Journal

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About The Network Journal

Founded in 1993, *The Network Journal (TNJ)* is an award-winning magazine published six times a year. It provides news and commentary on issues that affect the growth of business and the advancement of professionals in the workplace for an audience of predominantly African-American professionals, corporate executives and small-business owners. Engaging more than 88,000 readers per issue, *The Network Journal* is distributed nationwide, with a focus on the New York tri-state area, while its sister daily publication at tnj.com reaches a global audience. For more information call (212) 962-3791 or visit www.tnj.com.

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