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## **GLAD Names Adrienne Benton New Board Member**

Gay & Lesbian Advocates & Defenders (GLAD), New England's leading legal rights organization dedicated to ending discrimination based on sexual orientation, HIV status and gender identity and expression, announced that Adrienne Benton has joined its board of directors.

**Adrienne Benton**, appointed at the September 20th board meeting, has multiple years of experience in healthcare management, design/build consulting, and the technology software development industries. She holds membership in several local and national professional civic organizations, and has served on the boards of the Boston Coalition of Black Women, the Lena Park Community Development Corporation, and Men of Color Against AIDS, as well on advisory boards at Bank Boston/Fleet Bank. Adrienne received her Master of Science degree from the University of Alabama Birmingham and holds a Bachelor of Arts degree from Rutgers University. She lives in Roxbury.

"I have served on a number of local and regional boards," says Adrienne, "and GLAD presents me with the opportunity to participate in an organization that is making a positive impact on a national level to secure equal rights for, not only the GLBT community but, for people suffering from the inequities in our system of healthcare delivery."

"We are excited to welcome Adrienne to GLAD's board of directors. Her broad range of professional experience and her deep commitment to LGBT rights and to the rights of people living with HIV will be an incredible asset to the board," says Lee Swislow, GLAD's Executive Director.

To schedule an interview with Adrienne Benton, please contact Carisa Cunningham at 617-426-1350.

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