Bro. W. Cecil Short

Bro. Short is recognized as a national and international educator, administrator, consultant and speaker. He has served as a High School and Middle School Principal for over forty years. The school are as follows: Lackey, (founding principal) of Maurice McDonough, Laplata, and Oxon Hill High School.

Brother Short's educational preparation, training and life experiences have served him well over the years as he is known widely as a visionary and dynamic leader within the educational field. The following listing serves as an abbreviated accounting of some of his preeminent accomplishments.

- First African American President of the National Secondary School Principles Association.
- First African American School Principal in the State of Maryland to receive the National (Milken) award.
- First African American School Principal to serve as President of the Three State Leadership Association in Maryland.
- Past National President of UMES Alumni Association.
- Past National President of University of Maryland Systems Alumni Associations,
 College Park, Maryland.
- Portrait on display at the New Samuel Riggs IV Alumni Center College Park, Maryland.
- 2007 Distinguished Service Award Charles County Democratic Party
- 2006 Tau Lambda Lambda Chapter of Omega Psi Phi Fraternity Inc. Founders' Award
- 1999 Recipient of the Congressional Black Caucus Award for Distinguished National Leadership.
- 1998 Maryland State Senate Citation for Distinguished Professional Service.
- 1997 Recipient of the Prestigious Gavel of Authority Award from the Virginia's Principals Association.
- 1996 National Alumni Award/Hall of Fame University of Maryland Eastern Shore, Princess Ann Maryland.
- 1993 National Educator Award, Milken Family Foundation.
- 1991 1992: Maryland State Principal of the Year Award.
- 1991 National Black Principal Administrator Award.

• 1987 - Distinguished Educational Leadership Award, Washington Post

In addition to the plethora of honors, awards, and distinctions, W. Cecil Short is a devoted husband of fifty years, as well as devoted father and grandfather. He began his life with Omega Psi Phi fraternity, Inc. during his undergraduate year at "Maryland State" with Pi Epsilon Chapter where he served as Basileus from 1958 to 1960. He is now a loyal member of Tau Lambda Lambda graduate chapter.