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Moderated by: Ms. Carolyn Sawyer, Founder and CEO, The Tom Sawyer Company



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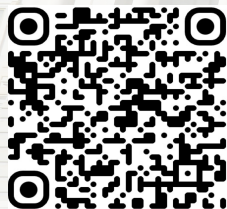
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In February of 1994, U.S. President Bill Clinton issued Executive Order 12898. Its purpose was to focus federal attention on the environmental and human health effects of federal actions on minority and low-income populations with the goal of achieving environmental protection for all communities.

Nearly 30 years later in April of 2023, current President Joe Biden issued Executive Order 14096- "Revitalizing Our Nation's Commitment to Environmental Justice for All." Biden's Executive Order directs the Federal Government to build upon and strengthen its commitment to deliver Environmental Justice to all communities across America through an approach that is informed by scientific research, high-quality data and meaningful federal engagement with communities with Environmental Justice (EJ) concerns.

When viewed as two related actions taken decades apart, the Executive Orders provide insight and context for the EJ movement over time. They prompt a series of questions, including:

What is Environmental Justice? How has the definition of EJ evolved over time? How has our nation shifted its priorities to ensure a level playing field when it comes to environmental protection and health? What federal and/or grassroots EJ initiatives have worked? How may we assure that all Americans share equally in the global clean energy revolution by encouraging movement away from such outdated and unhealthy household fuels as coal, kerosene, and wood?

Moderator: **Ms. Carolyn Sawyer**, Founder and Chief Executive Officer, The Tom Sawyer Company
Invited Panelists:

- **Dr. Ben Chavis**, Activist and Author, Godfather; Environmental Justice (EJ) Movement
- **Mr. Richard Moore**, Co-Chair, White House Environmental Justice Advisory Council;
• Co-coordinator, Los Jardines Institute
- **Mr. Tom Goldtooth**, Executive Director, Indigenous Environmental Network
- **Ms. Christine Cordero**, Co-Director, Asian Pacific Environmental Network
- **Mr. Beto Lugo-Martinez**, Executive Director, RISE4 EJ
- **Hon. Lessie B. Price**, Former Aiken City Council Member
- **Ms. Catherine Coleman Flowers**, Activist, Environmental and Climate Justice

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