

Clement Alexander Price

Clement Alexander Price is Board of Governors Distinguished Service Professor of History and Director of the Institute on Ethnicity, Culture, and the Modern Experience, Rutgers University, Newark Campus. He received his B.A. and M.A. degrees from the University of Bridgeport and the Ph.D. from Rutgers University.

Dr. Price is the foremost authority on the black New Jersey past by virtue of his *Freedom Not Far Distant: A Documentary History of Afro-Americans in New Jersey* (1980). His most recent publications include “On Anchoring A Generation of Scholars: P. Sterling Stuckey and the Nationalist Persuasion in African American History,” *Journal of African American History* (Fall, 2006); “Historicizing Katrina,” in *After the Storm: Black Intellectuals Explore the Meaning of Hurricane Katrina*, ed. David Dante Troutt (2006); “Foreword,” in *Remembering Newark’s Greeks: An American Odyssey*, Angelique Lampros (2006); “Race, Blackness, and Modernism During the Harlem Renaissance,” in *Encyclopedia of the Harlem Renaissance*, eds. Aberjhani and Sandra L. West (2003) and “Home and Hearth: The Black Town and Settlement Movement of Southern New Jersey,” in *Small Towns, Black Lives: African American Communities in Southern New Jersey*, Wendel A. White (2003).

Dr. Price, the leading public intellectual in New Jersey, has been the recipient of many awards for academic and community service, including New Jersey Professor of the Year by The Council for Advancement and Support of Education (CASE) in 1999; in 2006, he was inducted into the Rutgers University Hall of Distinguished Alumni. He, along with his wife, Mary Sue Sweeney Price, received the 2006 Ryan Award for Commitment to the New Jersey Performing Arts Center. In May, 2007, “The Once and Future Newark,” a documentary hosted by Dr. Price, was honored by the Garden State Journalists Association as Video of the Year. In August 2007, the documentary was also nominated for a Mid-Atlantic Emmy, and was the recipient of a Clarion Award from The Association for Women in Communications.

Indicative of his outstanding record of public service, Dr. Price is a trustee of the Urban Libraries Council and the Geraldine R. Dodge Foundation, president of the Newark Public Schools Foundation, and a member of the Scholarly Advisory Committee to the National Museum of African American History and Culture, Smithsonian Institution. He is the most senior member of the Board of Trustees of the Newark Public Library and serves on the Steering Committee of the Newark Black Film Festival. In April 2008, he became a member of The New Jersey State Advisory Committee to the United States Commission on Civil Rights, a federally established committee that reports on civil rights matters of importance to New Jersey citizens. At the request of Governor Corzine, Dr. Price chaired the Newark Public Schools Superintendent Search Committee during the spring of 2008. Dr. Price serves on the editorial board of the *Journal of Community Engagement and Scholarship* (JCES). He was recently appointed to the advisory council for the Gilder Lehrman Institute of American History.

Along with Giles R. Wright, he is the 1981 co-founder and co-organizer of the Marion Thompson Wright Lecture Series, one of the nation’s oldest and prestigious conferences in observance of Black History Month in New Jersey.