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Alice R. Simpson was born in the Bedford-Stuyvesant section of Brooklyn, New York to Panamanian parents. She attended St. Mary's Mission Parochial School Balboa, Canal Zone in the Republic of Panama and graduated from George Wingate High School in Brooklyn in 1981.

Shortly after graduating high school, Ms. Simpson enlisted in the U.S. Army, following in the footsteps of numerous family members. She completed basic training in Ft. McClellan, Alabama and Advanced Individual Training at Ft. Sam Houston, Texas, as a Patient

Administrative Specialist. She was honorably discharged at the rank of Private First Class in August 1985, and was awarded the Army Service Ribbon.

Since returning to the United States, Ms. Simpson has worked in many hospitals and clinics in Texas, Colorado and New York City as a Certified Billing and Coding Specialist. However, Ms. Simpson's true passion is volunteer work. She has volunteered with the American Cancer Society, God's Love We Deliver, Hope 4 Warriors and IAVA.

Having been a homeless veteran, Ms. Simpson recognizes the importance of giving back to the veteran community. She understands how hopeless and forgotten so many men and women feel after risking their lives for their country and for our freedom. To fight this, and to lend a voice, she often attends Community Board, Precinct Council and Advisory Board meetings in and around her district. Ms. Simpson has encouraged fellow veterans to do the same and learn who represents them in government.