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Toni L. Griffin has built a twenty-year career in both the public and private sectors, combining the practice of architecture, urban design and planning with the execution of innovative, large-scale, mixed-use urban redevelopment projects, and citywide and neighborhood planning strategies. Griffin is the director of Newark, N.J.'s division of planning and community development. Previously, Griffin was vice president and director of design for the Anacostia Waterfront Corporation in Washington, D.C., and from 2000-2005, she served as deputy director for revitalization planning in the D.C. Office of Planning, where she oversaw large-scale redevelopment projects for the downtown, waterfront, commercial corridors, and citywide neighborhood planning.

Prior to locating to Washington, D.C., she served as vice president for planning & tourism development for the Upper Manhattan Empowerment Zone Development Corporation in New York City, involved in creating a comprehensive Heritage Tourism Initiative. Griffin began her career as an architect with Skidmore, Owings & Merrill in Chicago, where she became an Associate Partner involved in architecture and urban design projects. Griffin received a bachelor of architecture degree from the University of Notre Dame and was a Loeb Fellow at the Harvard University's Graduate School of Design. She has been a design critic at Harvard University's Graduate School of Design, Illinois Institute of Technology and Catholic University. She is currently an adjunct associate professor of urban planning, Department of Urban Planning and Design, at Harvard.

It was announced in March 2010 that Griffin accepted a consultancy position with the city of Detroit, at the request of Detroit Mayor Dave Bing, to assist with the special rethinking of Detroit in light of the vast amounts of vacant properties in existence. Click here for more information about her assignment.

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