

Tuskegee University Athletic Hall of Fame

Albert Pratt Jr.

Class of 1950

ALBERT PRATT, JR., Class of 1950, was a varsity football player for four years, serving as captain of the team during his last year. He was named to the Pittsburgh Courier All American Team in 1950. Pratt also was a member of the track and field team while at Tuskegee.

Mr. Pratt holds the Master of Education degree from Chicago Teachers College. Further studies have been pursued at the Illinois Institute of Technology, Chicago Teachers College and Loyola University.

After graduating from Ford Motor Company's Toolmaking Course, he worked as a toolmaker until taking a job with the Tuskegee-Indonesia Project as a machine shop teacher trainer. After this tour of duty, he held positions as teacher, teacher-coordinator of student work programs, assistant principal, and administrative assistant-acting principal. He is the founder and director of Albert Pratt, Jr. & Associates, a service geared towards vocational guidance and testing. He is the first black in the Chicago Public School System to receive full certification as a Diversified Occupation Coordinator.

Albert's military experience include United States Army Infantry, Rank 2nd Lt., serving from April 1952 until March 1954. He spent one year in Korea where he served as an infantry platoon leader. He received one campaign ribbon with two clusters and the the Combat Infantry-man's Badge. He was discharged honorably from the Reserve in 1959 with the rank of First Lieutenant.

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Pratt is a member and has served as an officer of several organizations. Among these are: Chairman of the Board of Directors, Chicago-Tuskegee Club; Coordinator of YMCA Youth Improvement Program; Treasurer of the Chicago Vocational Local School Council and member of several other organizations, including Phi Delta Kappa, NAACP, and Kappa Alpha Psi Fraternity. He is the recipient of the following awards: Chicago-Tuskegee Club Award of Service; YMCA Youth Improvement Award; Chicago High School Assistant Principal's Association Award and Tuskegee Institute \$500 Chapel Award. He is married and the father of four children, three of whom have or are attending Tuskegee Institute.