



HenryCOUNTY
DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY

Jamal Lewis Joins Henry County Development Authority as Project Manager, Business Development



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(McDonough, Georgia) Jamal Lewis has been named project manager, business development for the Henry County Development Authority. The announcement was made this week by Josh Fenn, executive director of the economic development organization. The authority was assisted in the executive search by The Chason Group (www.thechasongroup.com).

“Henry County has a tremendous amount of growth opportunities in the areas of corporate solutions and manufacturing,” according to Fenn. “With support from our Board and community’s leadership, we are building a winning team for our economic development goals. Jamal’s role in working with new projects looking at the area and developing relationships with statewide economic development organizations, site consultants and prospects will be an integral part of this newly created position for the authority.”

Lewis currently serves as a project manager with the Georgia Department of Economic Development based on Atlanta. He joined the department in 2016 as marketing services manager and was promoted to his current position earlier this year. Lewis was a member of the state’s team created to respond to Amazon’s HQ2 Request for Proposal where he co-developed the design concept of marketing materials to be presented and collaborated with external private and public sector partners.

Other positions held by Lewis include marketing manager, Coles College of Business at Kennesaw State College; owner of Billionaire Nation Marketing in Atlanta; and sales and marketing analyst with Nsoro, Atlanta. He received his undergraduate degree in Sports Management and Marketing (2008) and Masters of Public Administration (2017) from Kennesaw State University.

“My experiences at the Georgia Department of Economic Development provides me with the insight and tools that can make a difference on the local level,” Lewis said. “The Henry County Development Authority has a very strong team. I look forward to being a part of the solution for companies looking to create additional tax base and jobs in the area.”

Lewis and his wife, Rachel, are expecting their first child in the spring of 2020 and currently live in Atlanta. His first day at the development authority will be December 17, 2019.

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Members of the development authority include Pierre Clements, David Crow, David Linton and Reggie Sylvain. Rod Meadows of Meadows, Macie & Sutton PC serves as legal counsel for the organization.

Other members of the authority's professional staff include Leah Brown, director of marketing and existing industry and Terry Collins, office manager.

Tim Chason and Randy Cardoza of The Chason Group led the talent search for the Development Authority.

About the Henry County Development Authority. The Henry County Development Authority was created in 1967 by a local amendment to the Georgia Constitution. The board consists of five members, representing the five geographic commissioner districts within the county. The mission of the Henry County Development Authority is to promote economic development in Henry County through the attraction of new investment and jobs and the retention and expansion of existing industries.

About The Chason Group. The talent search was conducted by The Chason Group, an executive search firm specializing in economic development, chambers of commerce, tourism, foundations and other non-profit organizations. The firm led the search for Fenn earlier this year as well as Joe Henning who serves as President of the Henry County Chamber of Commerce.