



Sheila C. Johnson is a successful entrepreneur and impassioned philanthropist. As CEO of Salamander Hotels and Resorts, a hospitality company she founded in 2005, Johnson oversees a growing portfolio of luxury properties, including three Florida golf and family resorts reaching from the Gulf to the Atlantic—Innisbrook Resort in Tampa Bay, Reunion Resort in Orlando and Hammock Beach Resort in Palm Coast. Johnson's equestrian-inspired and luxurious Salamander Resort & Spa made its much-anticipated debut in August 2013. Located in Middleburg, Virginia, in the heart of Virginia's horse and wine country, this flagship resort was recognized by USA Today as among the world's top eight hotel openings of 2013. Johnson is Vice Chairman of Monumental Sports & Entertainment and President and Managing Partner of the WNBA's Washington Mystics. She is the only African-American woman to have ownership in three professional sports teams, including the NBA's Washington Wizards and the NHL's Washington Capitals. She also serves on the Executive Committee of the United States Golf Association.

Sheila Johnson is a partner in ProJet Aviation, a comprehensive aviation service company specializing in aviation consulting, aircraft acquisitions, management and charter services. She is also a partner in Mistral, the makers of fine bath, body and home products; and in November 2012 launched her own collection of luxury scarves, inspired by her travels around the world and manufactured in Italy. In 2013, in recognition of her entrepreneurial success, she was invited to serve as a judge for Ernst & Young's "World Entrepreneur of the Year Award"—the only judge on the international panel to represent the United States. Johnson has ...

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