

# ‘100 BLACKS IN LAW ENFORCEMENT WHO CARE’ MEMBERS JEROME RICE, MARQUEZ CLAXTON, & CARLTON BERKLEY PROFILED IN “THE CHIEF” CIVIL SERVICE NEWSPAPER Jan. 2, 2009



The three members of 100 Blacks In Law Enforcement Who Care who are running — Carlton Berkley, Marquez Claxton and **Jerome Rice** — are calling for change on the heels of Barack Obama’s election as the nation’s first black President in November, though all three said they would have run for the Council regardless.

Jerome Rice, a soon-to-be retired Correction Captain, is running for the 12th Council District in The Bronx, currently held by Larry B. Seabrook.

## **Gang, Affordable Housing Issues**

Mr. Rice vows to fight to take back the streets because “none of the candidates in any of the districts is taking on gangs.” He also said home affordability was a big problem in his Baychester neighborhood in The Bronx, where homes go for \$400,000, but the average resident makes just \$60,000 a year. “In these tough economic times, we don’t need that,” he said. He said he also believed he could help bridge the gap between youth and police in the neighborhood.

The Correction Captain intends to challenge Mr. Seabrook on his vote to extend term limits for city elected officials to three terms. **“If the President of the United States can adhere to term limits, then the Mayor and everyone else can, too,”** Mr. Rice declared. **“Eight years is enough.”**