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## PULL UP YOUR C.H.A.I.R.

**"If they don't give you a seat at the table, bring a folding chair."  
— Shirley Chisholm**

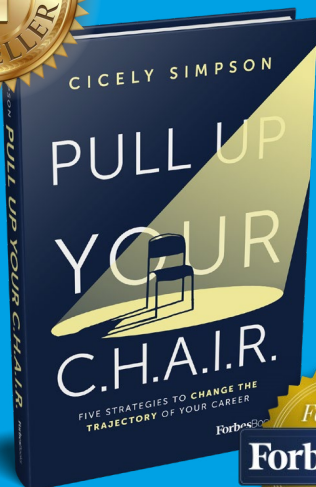
## ABOUT CICELY

Cicely is changing the way people understand their roles their own careers. In her twenty-year career, Cicely has made her mark on the leadership team in every position she held. Today, she endeavors to show everyone from CEOs to students how they can carve out a permanent space at the table, no matter what direction their career takes, by finding their voice, creating impact, and stepping into their power.

Her background in politics and business brings real-world experience to audiences across the country; pulling back the curtain on how the world works on the Hill and in Fortune 500 companies. Beyond showing them what this new brand of leadership looks like, Cicely is pushing people past their comfort zones in order to inspire real change. "OK" or "Good enough" are not part of her philosophy. Instead, Cicely shows audiences how to find their edge and keep it.

Cicely is seasoned public operative, having served as Legislative Director for two Congressmen, and veteran of the C-suite, formerly as Vice President of Government Affairs at Dunkin' Brands, Inc., formerly as Executive Vice President of Public Affairs for the restaurant industry, and now as Founder & CEO of Summit Public Affairs. Her experience at all levels of government and expertise in the boardroom allows her to speak with authority on the public and private sectors as well as their countless intersections.

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## SPEAKING TOPICS

- **How to Pull Up Your C.H.A.I.R.**
- **Feeling Sidelined in Your Career**
- **How to be a Person of Impact**
- **Identifying Your YOU List**
- **Creating Room For Your Voice**
- **Cutting Through the Noise Washington**

## TESTIMONIALS

“ Cicely Simpson has an amazing ability to take deeply complicated policy and political issues and distill them into dynamic and digestible ideas that further the conversation. During her appearance at the Brookings Institution panel on wage growth, her confidence, command of the subject and keen sense of humor made the discussion both interesting and informative for the audience.”

— Tracy Schmalzer Managing Director, Kivvit

“ I have known Cicely Simpson for many years. I have had the opportunity to see her speak on several occasions, before various groups of professionals. Cicely is extremely knowledgeable, very engaging, and an outstanding presenter. She is always very well prepared, and presents her topics succinctly and in a straightforward manner. It is without hesitation that I recommend Cicely to be a speaker for your organization.”

— Jan Simonsen Equity Partner, Carr Maloney P.C.

“ Cicely Simpson was the keynote speaker for Lipscomb University's Leadership Summit - a weeklong experiential learning intensive for 120+ graduating juniors and seniors. College students can be an intimidating audience, especially our Summit group that included Bio Chemistry, Engineering, Business, Accounting and Social Work majors! As the favorite Summit speaker, Ms. Simpson delivered in spades. Her passionate and humble style quickly won over even the most skeptical academics. I highly recommend Ms. Simpson to any group that values authenticity and passion, delivered with humility, clarity, and relevancy.”

— Michael Winegeart Executive Director, Lipscomb Spark Idea Center

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