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Mr. Quarles has also served as project counsel and faculty expert for several national HIV/AIDS initiatives based at Howard University for more than a decade. Additionally, his work in the medical ethics arena involved advising clients on matters of ethical principles for clinical research involving human subjects.

Quarles current research focuses on the genius and contributions of 19th Century Black women, the role of patriarchy, and the resulting consequences for America in the 20th and 21st centuries. He posts regularly on social media platforms on matters of race and ethnicity and gender and inequality and has published articles in comparative and relational ethnic studies journals. Quarles also presented at the Black Atlantic Authorship and Art International Symposium which was hosted by National Library of Scotland and the University of Edinburgh.

Quarles presently serves on the Prince Georges County (MD) Lynching Education Committee. He delivered a presentation entitled "The Capitol Lynching: Decoding America's Intention" to residents of the state of Maryland in response to the events of January 6th 2021.

In 2020, Quarles supported the work of the Transformative Justice Coalition by sharing co-chair responsibilities for the Youth Engagement Committee in the Georgia general election in November and the Senate Run-off Election in December.

Quarles began his study of race matters under the late Hon. Leon A. Higginbotham while studying at the University of Pennsylvania Law School. He completed his undergraduate studies at Brown University.

In his spare time, Quarles enjoys jazz music, playing drums and percussion, and teaching tennis. He is a two-time Maryland Pro of the Year and received an international tennis service award from the late Hon. Mayor David Dinkins. He is a Visiting Pro at CouplesSweptAway Resorts in Negril, Jamaica.