

## **Bobby L. Ware**

Commissioner of the Chicago Department of Transportation



Bobby L. Ware is the Commissioner of the Chicago Department of Transportation (“CDOT”). As commissioner, Ware manages more than 2000, planners, designers, engineers, inspectors, and in-house construction forces. Ware is responsible for design and construction of Capital Infrastructure Projects within the City. He also maintains more than 3,700 miles of streets and highways, nearly 400 bridges and viaduct, all city street signs, streetlights and 2800 signalized intersections throughout the city.

Ware was formerly served as the Chief Administrative Officer for CDOT with oversight over its Administration, Budget, Capital Planning, Finance, Intergovernmental Affairs, Legal, Personnel, Project Development and Community Outreach. He was also responsible for the development, coordination and implementation of accountability and productivity measures for the Department.

Previous to his tenure with the Department, Ware served as the managing member and equity owner of one of the largest minority owned Law firms in the country; He served as a law clerk to Justice Doris Smith of the Commonwealth Court of Pennsylvania’s Supreme Court; and he was the executive producer, and marketing/legal consultant for the graphic novel *The Truth*.

Commissioner Ware’s current and past affiliations include *Affirmative Actions Advisory Board-City of Chicago Department of Procurement Services; Judiciary Evaluation Committee for the Alliance; Chicago Plan Commission; State Street Council; American Bar Association; Chicago Bar Association; Illinois Bar Association; Cook County Bar Association; Young Lawyers Association; President of the West Chatham Improvement Association; Advisory Counsel for the Chatham Improvement Association for Economic Development; Chairman of the West Chatham Finance and Education Committees; Board of Directors for Chicago Mutual Housing Network; Championship Cup Series (Motorcycle) Racing*

Commissioner Ware earned a Juris Doctor degree from Widener University School of Law and a Bachelor of Arts degree from Michigan State University. He has also completed the City of Chicago’s Executive Level Management Training.