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Woman of Distinction **Business**

Rhonda Fischer

*Chief Operating Officer, Tepper School
of Business at Carnegie Mellon University*

Rhonda Fischer is new to Pittsburgh, having joined the Tepper School of Business at Carnegie Mellon University as its inaugural chief operating officer in June 2019. Previously, Rhonda served as the chief operating officer of the East Lake Foundation, a community revitalization organization in Atlanta, Georgia. At Tepper School of Business, she is responsible for the effective management of the school's administrative functions, including finance, computing, facilities, and human resources. She partners closely with deans, faculty, and staff members to operationalize the school's strategic and educational priorities.

Rhonda dedicated nearly 20 years of her career to serving mission-based organizations committed to addressing societal challenges.

Rhonda earned bachelor of science in finance and marketing at the McIntire School of Commerce at the University of Virginia, and an master of business administration at the Goizueta School of Business at Emory University. She is eager to serve the Pittsburgh community and is a member of the Pittsburgh chapter of Jack and Jill of America, an organization committed to nurturing future African American leaders; and serves on the advisory board for The Advanced Leadership Initiative.

Rhonda is the proud wife of Rev. Charles L. Fischer III and mom to two wonderful boys, Charles IV and Cameron.

