

Lynne M. Jackson
President and Founder
The Dred Scott Heritage Foundation

Lynne M. Jackson is a great-great granddaughter of Harriet and Dred Scott of the Dred Scott Decision of 1857. This United States Supreme Court decision was a major catalyst for the civil war which, under President Abraham Lincoln, ended slavery. The case helped change the landscape and future of this country from a slave holding republic to one that had more potential to be in keeping with the Declaration of Independence. She delights in sharing this story with young and old, including details of the Scott's personal and family history that have not previously been known. She has presented from 3rd graders to addressing a distinguished audience at Harvard University.

Ms. Jackson is president and founder of The Dred Scott Heritage Foundation. The Foundation's goal is to promote the commemoration, education and reconciliation of our histories with an eye towards helping to heal the wounds of the past.

She holds a Bachelor of Science in Business Administration and Marketing from Southern Illinois University Edwardsville.

Her career started at The Girl Scout Council of Greater St. Louis where she became Business Operations Director. After enjoying administrative positions at Ford Motor Company and Cass Logistics, she was Manager of General Services at Bryan Cave LLC law firm until 2009.

She travels around the country sharing the history of this landmark case, the family story and attendant histories. In 2003, she received the Community Service Award from Community Women Against Hardship. In 2007 she addressed the National Conference of Attorney Generals in DC. The Freedom Dred Scott Legacy Award was given by Bott Radio Network in 2007. The Missouri Senate honored her with a recognition resolution in 2008. In 2011, she received the Edwin P. Hubble Award of Initiative from the City of Marshfield, MO where Dred Scott received a star on their Walk of Fame in 2007. Mrs. Jackson received The Phenomenal Woman Award in 2011 from the Center for Racial Harmony in Belleville, Illinois. The Empowering Women Who Inspire Award was

received in 2013 by Women In Vision. In 2014, she was a nominee with honorable mention for the National Women's History Month Award.

In 2012, under her leadership, the Dred Scott Heritage Foundation erected the first statue of Harriet and Dred Scott, designed and created by sculptor Harry Weber, which stands outside the Old Courthouse in St. Louis, MO.

Lynne has been Sunday School Superintendent, teacher, Vacation Bible School Director, and has sung in twelve choirs since childhood. She is a member of Cross Keys Baptist Church. She and her husband, Brian, live in St. Louis where they were born. Their passion is biblical apologetics which they research and teach. They have two grown children.