

Alicia Lewis

Platform: *Educate to Eliminate: Sexual Assault Prevention and Awareness.*

Alicia Lewis is a resident of Madison, MS and is a 2006 graduate of Auburn University. Alicia is currently completing her Master's Degree in Public Administration at the University of Alabama at Birmingham and will begin law school in the Fall of 2008.

Alicia has studied classical ballet since the age of five and has trained with Exclusively Ballet and Dance, Dance Theatre of Harlem, Auburn Ballet School, ASDPA, Alabama Ballet, Gwinnett Ballet Theatre, Southern Dance Co, En Pointe School of Dance, and Ballethnic. Alicia's favorite roles include Carmen, Odette from Swan Lake, and Spanish from the Nutcracker.

Alicia's academic honors include; Marshall scholarship nominee, Golden Key National Honor Society, Top fifteen percent of graduating class, Pi Lambda Sigma Pre law Society, Auburn University Academic Scholarship, Alabama Department of Homeland Security Legal Intern, NBLSA Nelson Mandela Scholarship, Dr. Bob Slaughter Scholarship, Ballet Women's Committee Scholarship, Exclusively Ballet and Dance Scholarship, Miss America Community Service scholarship.

Alicia is also a dedicated community servant and has spent the past six years promoting her community service platform *Educate to Eliminate: Sexual Assault Prevention and Awareness*. Through her platform Alicia has created an adjunct program with the Boys and Girls Clubs of America to build self-esteem in young women. In 2005, Alicia created the *Take the Pledge Campaign* and now has over 5,000 signatures from college students and civic groups she has spoken to about Sexual Assault within our communities. Alicia has also been a certified rape counselor for Safe Harbor, RAINN, and STAR (standing together against rape). In 2007, Alicia was the author of the first statewide proclamation creating *Sexual Assault Prevention and Awareness Week* for the state of Alabama, which was signed into legislation by Alabama governor Bob Riley. For her efforts Alicia was awarded the Presidential Daily Point of Light Community Service Award (#3410), and she was nominated for the Congressional Community Service Award by U.S. Congressmen Artur Davis.

Alicia's ultimate goal is to pursue the calling that God has placed on her life and become a groundbreaking civil rights litigation specialist, political innovator, and leader.