

## Ugo Nnachi

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Ugo Nnachi belongs to a new generation of Nigerian women who have excelled in their chosen career through the unique attributes of hard work, perseverance and determination. Ugo Nnachi is a Public Sector administrator with over 27 years of experience.

She served in the public service and precisely with Ebonyi State Government and reached at the apex of her public service career as the first female Head of Service of Ebonyi State before retiring in May 2015.

Ugo is a great mobilizer. She mobilized women to form several organizations for the upliftment of their communities and continues to fight for the rights of women till date.

Her commitment to the promotion and protection of the rights of women and children led to her appointment as Commissioner for Women Affairs and Social Development between 2001 and 2005. This period witnessed the watershed in the promotion of women's rights and women empowerment in Ebonyi State, Nigeria

Chief Mrs. Ugo Nnachi has extensive international exposure. She had served as Guest Speaker at the University of Massachusetts between 2006 and 2007. She also serves as Resource Person on Gender Issues to several organizations till date. She represented Nigeria at the first Civil Society Summit organized by International Foundation on Electoral Systems (IFES), Washington DC in 2006, and participates in the Annual United Nations Commission on the Status of Women Conference, New York since 2005. She has written several articles and recently published a book on Ethics in Public Service and edits two magazines Service pride, and Partnership magazine.

She has been involved in women's rights movement in Nigeria. She is the founder and the Executive Director of Daughters' of Virtue and Empowerment Initiative (DOVENET) an NGO committed to the empowerment of women and promotion of women's rights.

Daughters of Virtue and Empowerment Initiative (DOVENET) received approval from the Economic and Social Council of the United Nations on 24thJuly 2018 granting Special consultative status to Daughters of Virtue and Empowerment Initiative (DOVENET).

Ugo is also the Vision Bearer and Convener of Daughters of Virtue Ministries International, a global Christian women organization passionate about the spiritual growth of women. Her "virtuous woman series" is aired on Royalty4Real radio. A radio for women based in Troup East Texas.

Ugo has been described by her admirers as a woman of "Firsts"

- First Female Head of Service in Ebonyi State.
- First female to serve three successive Administrations in Executive Capacity