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Previously, Dr. Horton was Associate Professor and Dean of the School of Education, Psychology and Interdisciplinary Studies at Virginia Union University in Richmond. She served as Program Coordinator for Clinical Studies at Wilmington University, where she was also an Associate Professor of Education. She has served as a consultant for the U.S. Department of Education, the Council of Chief State School Officers, and Amtrak. Dr. Horton was the Associate State Secretary of Assessments and Accountability for the Delaware Department of Education where she coordinated the design and implementation of the Delaware Student Testing Program. She was also responsible for the Department's teacher certification and licensure divisions.

Dr. Horton graduated Magna Cum Laude from Sweet Briar College and received her Ph.D. in Educational Psychology from the University of Illinois. She has served on the National Reading Research Center National Advisory Board, Sweet Briar College Board of Directors and the New Standards Project Literacy Advisory Panel. She was co-Chair of the Reading Committee for the President's National Voluntary Reading Test. Dr. Horton was named a Living the Legacy Honoree by the National Council of Negro Women and, on two different occasions, was honored as an Outstanding Young Woman of America. She has authored numerous articles and has presented at national and international meetings.

Dr. Horton has been a vocalist from an early age, giving her first performance before she even began her formal education. She has directed adult and youth gospel choirs and was a soloist for the Pacific Command Air Force Gospel Music Workshop Concert. Dr. Horton has given several concerts and has been an invited soloist at churches and programs in Delaware as well as other states across the country. A native of Richmond, Virginia, she is married to Robert Horton and the mother of two children.