Shirley Chisholm’s Ongoing Legacy

Reverend Al Sharpton is the founder and president of the National Action Network (NAN), a not-for-profit civil rights organization headquartered in Harlem, New York, with over sixty chapters nationwide including a Washington, D.C. Bureau and regional offices from coast to coast. Recent NAN activism has focused on crucial national cases as the organization continues campaigns around voter engagement, national gun violence intervention, jobs, corporate responsibility, immigration reform, health care reform, and seeking justice in cases including the Trayvon Martin case. NAN’s efforts also include calling for reform in states that practice “Stand Your Ground” laws and racial profiling.

Early in his career, Rev. Sharpton set out to stoke the fire of the civil rights movement as “the voice of the downtrodden,” leading marches and rallies to call the public and the media’s attention to racial injustice. Rev. Sharpton and NAN’s direct action movements have been credited with inspiring laws on racial profiling and he has influenced police department reform across the nation while working to end police misconduct.

Rev. Al Sharpton is currently the host of a daily television show “PoliticsNation” on MSNBC. Rev. Sharpton also hosts a nationally syndicated radio show “Keepin’ it Real,” as well as two weekend radio shows. Reverend Al Sharpton is the author of The Rejected Stone: Al Sharpton and the Path to American Leadership (2013). In the book, Reverend Sharpton intimately discusses his personal evolution from street activist, pulpit provocateur, and civil rights leader, to the larger-than-life man he is today, while providing a series of essential life lessons that readers can adopt to transform their own lives.

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