Joelle A. Murchison Founder & Principal, ExecMommyGroup (EMG)

Joelle A. Murchison combines her passion and expertise in education, equity & inclusion and communications in her work as the Founder & Principal of ExecMommyGroup LLC (EMG), an inclusion, leadership and coaching consulting practice.

A career diversity and inclusion champion, Murchison, a graduate of Brown University, Harvard Graduate School of Education and Syracuse University's Newhouse School of Public Communications, also currently serves as an adjunct faculty member at the University of Connecticut School of Business.

A native of Queens, and raised in Long Island, NY, Joelle takes her professional and leadership queues from her mother, a trailblazer in her own right, who was the first African American woman manager in the Social Security Administration in the 1970s. Joelle began her career in higher education at Wesleyan University followed by a stint in the non-profit sector with INROADS. She then transitioned to corporate America - first with United Technologies and then as the inaugural Chief Diversity Officer at Travelers Insurance. Murchison subsequently returned to higher education in 2016 as the inaugural Chief Diversity Officer at the University of Connecticut before launching EMG.

Joelle serves as the Chair of the board of RE-Center - Race and Equity in Education (formerly The Discovery Center), and is a director/trustee on the boards of the Amistad Center for Art and Culture (Hartford, CT), the Pembroke Center Associates, and College Possible, a national nonprofit focused on college access. She is also a member of Brown University's Women's Leadership Council, a Corporator for the Village for Families and Children and a member of the Board of Ambassadors of the Hartford Foundation for Public Giving. Joelle previously served 2 terms on the board of directors of both the Morgan State University Foundation and Leadership Greater Hartford and spent 10 years as a diversity trainer with the Anti-Defamation League's A World of Difference Institute.

At her core, Joelle is passionate about encouraging and inspiring all people to reach their highest potential and about creating space for open dialogue to enhance inclusion and understanding.