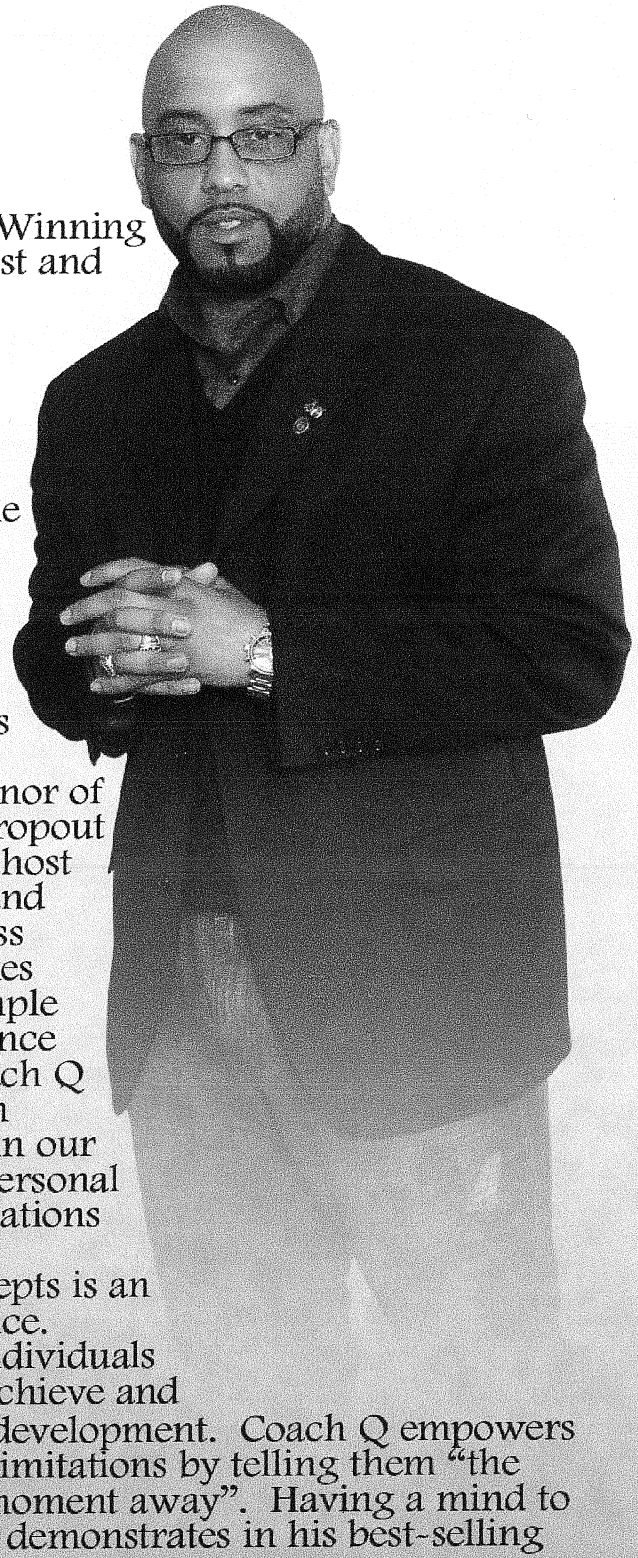


My Bio...

Stephán “Coach Q” Askew is an Award-Winning Entrepreneur, Success Coach, Philanthropist and one of today’s most sought after voices on entrepreneurship, self-sufficiency and the dropout epidemic.

Coach Q is known for being the best at what he does and yielding the positive results for those he touches. He lives by the motto “Make the Choice, Make a Difference”™, and that is exactly what he does. He made the choice to be the advocate for the families in our community with a direct focus on fighting the national dropout epidemic and barriers to employment. Because of his continuous efforts, Coach Q has been bestowed the honor of being recognized as the nation’s leading dropout expert. He reaches out to serve through a host of mediums, including Success Coaching and Seminars, Entrepreneurship & Job Readiness Training. With a heart for people, he makes sure that every aspect of his life is an example of the right choices, including the importance of giving back and paying it forward. Coach Q has mastered the art of developing an open dialogue on how to create positive outlets in our communities, helping people reach their personal goals and not allowing past or current situations dictate their future. He recognizes that encouraging others to embrace these concepts is an integral part of his call to community service. Through these dialogues, he encourages individuals to never set limitations on what they can achieve and the importance of integrity and character development. Coach Q empowers them to rise above what society has set as limitations by telling them “the sky has no limit and that success is just a moment away”. Having a mind to be the best and achieve the best is what he demonstrates in his best-selling



motivational book entitled *The Mindset of a Champion*. In the book, he uses the team concept and being a key player through examples and rich content that correlates with the positions we play in the game of life. He challenges your mind with innovative concepts on how to identify and apply the critical tools for success. At the same time, he adds a flavor of humor and humility with personal examples to keep the audience engaged and ensures that when his speech is done, everyone leaves knowing that they already possess the mindset and tools to become successful and a champion in life. Prior to bringing his dream to fruition, this North Carolina native served his country in the United States Navy and was a two-time recipient of the Navy Achievement Award. After an honorable discharge, he began a brief career as a professional athlete. His athletic experience taught him the significance of team building, how to sustain a professional character and how to persevere through challenging times. Coach Q, was nominated for the 2006 *Essence Magazine* "Do Right Man of the Year" award and is a two-time National Youth Coach of the Year. He is the creative architect of his cartoon series entitled "Mission: Possible". He can be heard on his weekly internet based radio show the Ask Coach Q Radio Show along with his motivational CD Single from the 5 Minute Motivational Series "To My Young Men". Coach Q is a member of America's Promise, National Fatherhood Initiative and has volunteered and developed special programs with organizations such as the City Parks and Recreation Departments, Boys and Girls Clubs of America, Big Brother Big Sister of Greater Charlotte and Urban League of America.

In 2011, Coach Q completed his most recent manuscript entitled "From Bars to Business". This book is dedicated to providing a guide to employment & entrepreneur success for ex-offenders.

