Capabilities Statement



PROLOGUE DC is a women-owned company based in Washington DC. We are experienced historians, researchers, writers, speakers, walking-tour guides, and exhibit planners.

PROLOGUE DC knows how to find and tell the stories you're looking for. Whether it's your neighborhood, school, church, business, or organization, **PROLOGUE DC** can help you mark an anniversary or other milestone, raise visibility, and demonstrate your unique place in Washington history. We can provide everything from basic research to a beautifully laid-out, illustrated book or brochure.

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Core Offerings

Research

- Navigate the wide range of archives, libraries, and other historical resources in and around Washington DC
- Track down and research primary documents, maps, images, film, and video
- Research land records
- Tease out stories by weaving together information found in a range of sources

Interviews

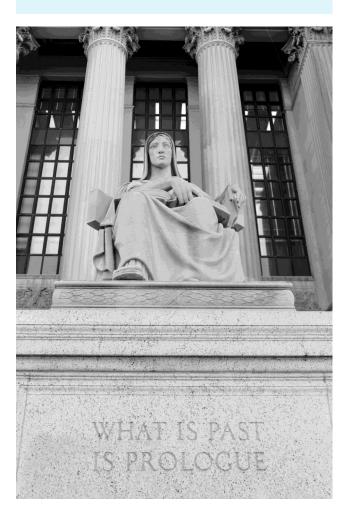
• Find subjects, conduct oral history interviews

Products

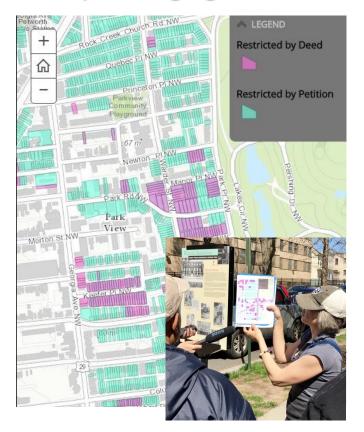
- Prepare historical markers, landmark nominations, and maps
- Produce reports, brochures, books, exhibitions, and presentations

Community Outreach

• Engage community groups



Sample Engagements



Mapping Segregation in Washington DC is an ongoing, online public history project launched by **PROLOGUE DC** in 2014 to document the historic segregation of our city's housing, and its schools, playgrounds, and other public spaces. Supported by Humanities DC, the DC Preservation League, and the National Park Service, the project has received significant local and national attention. To date Prologue DC has published *Legal Challenges to Restrictive Covenants* (see PrologueDC.com/blog/mappingsegregation), and frequently presents on the project and conducts walking tours featuring it. Mapping Segregation's current research focus is DC's Ward 4. Project partners include the Military Road School Preservation Trust and the Historical Society of Washington, D.C.



For American University's Kogod School of Business, **PROLOGUE DC** researched and wrote text, and assembled images, for a permanent exhibition on the history of business in the Washington area (above).

PROLOGUE DC produced this 144-page book on the history of the DC Public Service Commission (right).

PROLOGUE DC's clients include American University Kogod School of Business, Bloomingdale Historic Designation Coalition, BuckleySandler LLP, Charles Bergen Sculpture Studio, Cultural Tourism DC, DC Public Library, DC Public Service Commission, Hill Center at the Old Naval Hospital, Historical Society of Washington, D.C., Jewish Historical Society of Greater Washington, Rosewood Hotels, Smithsonian Anacostia Community Museum, Union Station Redevelopment Corporation, and Washington Walks.

HISTORIC SITE, WASHINGTON DC James G. Blaine Mansion

2000 Massachusetts Avenue, NW

Politician James G. Blaine (1830-1893), the three-time Republican presidential hopeful who represented Maine in the House and the Senare, built this house in 1881-82. Blaine and his family lived here only briefly because the mansion proved too large and expensive to maintain. Blaine leased it to Levi Leiter, a founder of Chicago's Manshall Fields department store, and later sold it to inventor George Westinghouse.

Designed by John Fraser in Queen Anne style, the mansion was converted to apartments in 1921, with one-story commercia spaces added on P Street. In 2009 Van Dusen Architects renovated the building for residential, commercial, and retail uses while restoring many original architectural features.

Listed in the DC Inventory of Historic Sites, 1964.



PROLOGUE DC worked with Cultural Tourism DC to produce a series of markers on prominent Dupont Circle buildings.

