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Jordan,Charline (1936-1996), became the first African American woman from the South to serve
in the United States Congress. Jordan, a Texas Democrat, was a member of the House of Representatives from
1973 to 1979. In 1976, she became the first black keynote speaker at a national convention of the Democratic
Party.
Jordan was born on Feb. 21, 1936, in Houston. She graduated from Texas Southern University. She went on to
receive a law degree from Boston University. Jordan served in the Texas Senate from 1966 to 1972. She was the
firstto hold a seat there since 1883. In 1979, she became a professor at the Lyndon B. Johnson
School of Public Affairs at the University of Texas. In 1992, Jordan received the Spingarn Medal for her service
in Congress. In 1993, President Billappointed her as chair of the U.S. Commission on
Immigration Reform. She died on Jan. 17, 1996.

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