



Linda Byars Swindling Bio

From the courtroom to the boardroom, Linda Byars Swindling, JD, CSP, knows firsthand about engaging in high-stakes communications, negotiating workplace drama, and influencing decision makers. Her specialty is helping people communicate powerfully so that others will listen.

Linda first addressed employment and workplace communication issues as a successful attorney and a mediator, which led her to working as a consultant and an executive coach. When her book *The Consultant's Legal Guide* (coauthored with Elaine Biech) was released in 2000, Linda left her legal practice to focus full-time on Journey On, her Dallas-based, woman-owned business that offers customized training programs, strategic consulting and executive coaching. In addition, Linda delivers keynote speeches and workshops at corporate and association meetings, events and conventions.

A Certified Speaking Professional and frequent media guest, Linda is contributing and coauthor of several books. Before writing *Stop Complainers and Energy Drainers: How to Negotiate Work Drama to Get More Done*, she created the popular *Passports to Success* book series, which includes 13 titles such as *Get What You Want*, *Say It Right*, *At Your Service*, and *Set the Standard*.

In addition to service on several local boards, Linda has served as a Vistage chair, a national officer of the National Speakers Association and is past-president of the National Speakers Association/North Texas. Linda has worked with boards of directors, organizational teams, CEOs, key decision makers, and high potentials. Her clients include the Fortune 500, companies from a wide variety of industries, governmental entities and many international associations.