

Alhaji Sulyman Kolawole BELLO

Alhaji Sulyman Kolawole Bello was born to the Bello-Begbaji family of Ibadan, Oyo State. He had his primary education at Christ Apostolic Church Primary School and secondary education at Islamic High School, both in Ibadan. He proceeded to the Usmanu Danfodiyo University (University of Sokoto) where he earned a first degree in Political Science and moved therefrom to Enugu, for the one-year mandatory National Youth Service. Sulyman Bello returned to Ibadan for postgraduate studies, a venture from which the University of Ibadan awarded him an M.Sc. in Political Science, with specialization in Public Administration.

After his educational sojourn, Alhaji Bello became an Advertising Practitioner, cutting his teeth at the famous Rosabel Leo-Burnett Advertising Agency in Ikeja; working on the choicest of Nigeria's blue-chip brands. He later joined Nigeria's parent corporation: UAC of Nigeria PLC where he enjoyed extensive corporate grooming. He served variously as Brand Manager and Marketing Services Manager at UAC Foods before his eventual secondment to Grand Cereals & Oil Mills Limited in Jos, as Head of Marketing. Sulyman Bello joined Nigeria's 2nd National Telecom Carrier – Globacom Limited as GM – Advertising and was Head of Corporate Advertising & Media before he exited the company in November 2020.

Alhaji Bello has attended many professional development courses at home and abroad and is a member of the Advertising Practitioners Council of Nigeria (APCON) as well as the National Institute of Marketing of Nigeria (NIMN).

A passionate lover of, and believer in community service; Sulyman is involved in many communal and developmental activities across many localities and frontiers. He was a member of the PGERA Security Committee before later serving as President between the year 2013 and 2019.

He has also been the Chairman of Idowu Dabiri Community Development Association (CDA) from 2013 to 2021. Between March 2018 and April 2023, he was the Chairman of Lekki Estates Residents & Stakeholders Association (LERSA)'s KM 24 Group. He also chaired the Infrastructure and Maintenance Committee of LERSA within the same period. On the corporate level, Alhaji Sulyman Bello is the Chief Operating Officer of Coronet Limited; a firm engaged in Real Estate Development, Logistics and Marketing Consultancy.

He's married to his heartthrob of many years, Alhaja Mariam Ayoade Bello; who is his athletics coach and the family's official representative at serious sporting events! Their family is blessed with three children: Fatima Ololade, Sulyman Kolawole II and Abdul-Jabaar Iyiola.