



Life In Brief

Hometown: Washington, DC

Education:

- LLM, Georgetown University
- JD, Howard University
- BS, American University

Work History:

- Senior Vice President of Government & Regulatory Affairs, FedEx Corporation, 2001-Present
- Managing Attorney, Staff Director, Staff Vice President, International Regulatory Affairs, FedEx Express, 1992-2001
- Lawyer, US Department of Transportation, Early Career

Quick Summary

Transportation lawyer and top lobbyist at FedEx with a strong connection to the local Washington, DC community

- Grew up in Southeast DC and received her JD from Howard University before spending almost a decade as an attorney in the Department of Transportation
- Rose through the ranks at FedEx to SVP of government and regulatory affairs, where she works with Administration officials, members of Congress, the diplomatic community, and industry associations on domestic and international commerce and transportation issues
- Oversees the company's political action committee, one of the largest corporate PACs in the nation; directed contributions to candidates on both sides of the political aisle

- Advocates for increased free trade agreements, an improved tax code to spur capital investment, productivity, and job creation, and transportation initiatives to move goods around the world more efficiently
- Leverages FedEx's global network to assist disaster relief efforts and help keep supply chains open, notably during Hurricane Maria and the COVID-19 pandemic
- Various leadership positions at organizations aimed at economic development including the Economic Club of Washington, the DC Chamber of Commerce, and the DC2026 Advisory Board to work on the city's bid to host the 2026 FIFA World Cup
- Two higher education scholarships have been endowed in honor of her at Howard University and with the American Association of Airport Executives; received an Honorary Doctorate of Laws from Trinity University in Washington, D.C.

Approach and Motivations

As a DC native who overcame a challenging upbringing, Adams believes in building a legacy of uplifting others and prioritizes charitable endeavors in her personal and professional life

- Outspoken on her experience living in public housing and attending DC public schools; regularly returns to her alma mater Ballou High School, with the purpose of showing students that they too can graduate and find success
- Highly involved board member in local economic development organizations such as the Economic Club of Washington and DC Chamber of Commerce; draws attention to the importance of bridging the skills gap to address unemployment, believing the work of groups like the Urban League are vitally important to community development





- Public face of FedEx's charitable giving to groups including the Martin Luther King, Jr. National Memorial Project Foundation and the National Urban League; committed to FedEx's mission to create pathways to meaningful employment for underserved communities
- Former Board Member, Friends of Ballou

Professional Affiliations

- Chair of the Education Committee, Economic Club of Washington
- Vice Chair, American University Board of Governors
- Vice Chair, Alvin Ailey American Dance Theater
- First Vice Chair, National Museum of Women in the Arts
- Board, Town Hall Education Arts & Recreational Campus
- Board of Visitors, Howard University School of Law
- Board, Marine Corps Heritage Foundation
- Board, American Funds
- Board, French-American Foundation
- Member, Aspen Institute Family Prosperity Innovation Community
- Former Chair, DC Chamber of Commerce
- Former Board Member, Fight For Children
- Former Board Member, Global Virus Network
- Former Board Member, DC Public Education Fund
- Former Board Member, Council for Excellence in Government
- Former Board Member, American Red Cross
- Former Board Member, Meridian International Center
- Former Board Member, Beauvoir School (National Cathedral's Elementary School)
- Former Board Member, Washington Performing Arts Society

