

Imani J. McClendon-Arcenaux is a proud alumna of Spelman College and comes from a legacy of HBCU graduates, grounding her in a deep appreciation for the transformative power of education. She currently serves as an Executive Operations Officer at Bayer within U.S. Medical Affairs, where she partners across Women's Healthcare and Cardiovascular Disease to drive strategic alignment, operational excellence, and impactful execution.

Imani brings a multidisciplinary background spanning finance, marketing, human resources, sales, real estate, and technology, with experience at leading organizations including Bloomberg, Moody's, Prudential Financial, and Coldwell Banker. This breadth of experience equips her with a well-rounded and solutions-driven perspective on business operations and stakeholder engagement. She is recognized for her ability to streamline processes, manage complex priorities, and build systems that empower teams to operate with clarity, efficiency, and purpose.

Beyond her professional achievements, Imani is deeply committed to community empowerment and generational impact. Through nonprofit leadership and service, she has led partnerships and volunteer initiatives that support families and strengthen underserved communities. For over five years, she has also been an advocate for wealth-building through real estate as a licensed Realtor®, with a focus on preserving family legacies. After inheriting her grandparents' multi-family home, she founded Don't Sell Grandma's House, Inc. and launched the #DontSellGrandmasHouse initiative using her platform to document her renovation journey, educate communities on leveraging existing assets, and promote property retention as a pathway to generational wealth.

Imani has continued to intentionally stretch herself by taking on new challenges and expanding her knowledge across industries, allowing her to evolve as a leader and deepen her impact across both corporate and community spaces.

Imani also holds a master's degree in communication and media from Rutgers University, with a focus on Corporate Social Impact. She is an active member of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc. and continues her commitment to service as a volunteer at Newark Beth Israel Hospital, where she serves as a newborn cuddler.

Imani resides in New Jersey with her husband and their two dogs, Wesley and Willow. Through her work and service, she remains dedicated to expanding access, creating opportunity, and advancing long term impact.