

Aisha I. DeBerry, J.D., proudly identifies herself as a "Sister of the South," hailing from the vibrant cities of Memphis, Tennessee, and Jackson, Mississippi. Her journey in academia and leadership has shaped her into a dynamic force dedicated to fostering diversity, equity, and inclusion in various professional domains.

Aisha earned her Bachelor of Science degree in Economics and Political Science from Northeastern University in Boston, Massachusetts. Atlanta became her next destination, where she contributed significantly to Philadelphia College of Osteopathic Medicine Georgia (PCOM Georgia), focusing on enhancing diversity in enrollment and retention.

Driven by her passion for justice and equality, Aisha pursued and achieved her Juris Doctorate from Lincoln Memorial University in Knoxville, Tennessee. During her time there, she excelled academically and took on leadership roles, serving as the President and Sub-Region Director of the Black Law Student Association. Her influence extended to organizations like the Women's Law Society and the Immigration Law Clinic.

Returning to Atlanta, Aisha immersed herself in Title IX and Compliance, addressing issues related to sexual misconduct and gender-based discrimination. Building on this foundation, she returned to PCOM Georgia as the inaugural Executive Director of Diversity. In this role, she crafted a comprehensive Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion (DEI) strategy, initiated identity programming, and established committees.

Currently serving in a role in the governmental sector, Aisha continues her impactful work. Beyond her professional endeavors, Aisha is actively involved in advisory boards and Diversity Councils, both locally and nationally. She is the visionary creator of <u>aishadeberry.com</u> and the founder of AID Consultants, a DEI and Leadership firm. Aisha is also a published author with two books to her credit – "Dad Daughter Dialogues," accompanied by a podcast, and "An Apple a Day," a candid exploration of Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion.

In her leisure moments, Aisha finds joy in dance as a participant and teacher. She volunteers with the American Cancer Society and is committed to making a positive impact. Adding warmth to her life are her beloved pups, Sasha and Milo.

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