

Name: Hajia Alima Mahama
Government Administration: Akuffo Addo (1st Amin)
Designation: Minister of Local Government
Duration : 2017-2021



Hajia Alima Mahama was born on 17 November 1957 in Walewale in the North East Region of Ghana. She had her senior high school education at the Wesley Girls Senior High School, Cape Coast and continued her education at the University of Ghana where she earned a bachelor's degree in Law and Sociology. Hajia Mahama is a product of the Ghana School of Law and was called to the bar in 1982.

At the Rutgers University and the University of Ottawa, she had her postgraduate degree in Public Policy and Development Planning and Administration. She also earned a master's degree in Development Studies from the Institute of Social Studies, in the Netherlands.

She was appointed the Minister for Women and Children Affairs from January 2005 to January 2009, Deputy Minister for Trade and Industry, Deputy Minister for Local Government and Rural Development between 2001 and 2008 under President John Kufuor's administration.

Hajia was also appointed the Minister of Local Government and Rural Development by President Akuffo-Addo between 10 January 2017 and 7 January 2021, after which she was given an ambassadorial position in June, 2021 as Ghana's Ambassador to the United State of America(USA) making her the first female ambassador to the USA.

She also served as the Member of Parliament for Nalerigu/Gambaga constituency on the ticket of the New Patriotic Party in the 7th Parliament of the 4th Republic.