



Global Technology Executive, People Developer, Transformational Leader, Storyteller, Engineer and self-proclaimed Global Citizen, Janeen Uzzell is on a mission to use her strengths, influence and voice to lead causal work that changes lives, communities and the world.

A seasoned leader, Janeen has more than 20 years of Corporate, strategy, business development and start-up experience. She is currently the Chief Operating Officer of The Wikimedia Foundation, the non-profit organization that supports and hosts Wikipedia (the #5 website in the world), and several other Wikimedia free knowledge sites.

Prior to joining Wikimedia, Janeen spent 16 years as an Executive in GE. During her tenure with the Company, she held a number of technical roles, served as a P&L leader, managed a major market customer base, and transformed the teams of people that she had leadership responsibility over. Her final role with the company was as the Head of Women in Technology where she worked across the 300,000-employee community, leading a culture shift to accelerate the number of women within the Company's technical female workforce. Additionally, she was selected to launch two Chairman sponsored initiatives delivering Company-wide disruptive solutions resulting in culture shifts, new business models, increased customer satisfaction and incremental revenue growth.

In 2009 Janeen was tasked to build a team and strategy to determine GE's rural health platform. She and her team were the pioneering leaders who designed key partnerships, aligned core products for scalability in the emerging market and grew the Africa healthcare revenue portfolio. It is this work and her leadership as an Ex-Pat in Africa that she holds most dearly, and is most proud of in her career.

Janeen has served as an Ambassador for Global Causes, is an expert in Public & Private Partnerships, and a passionate servant leader. She strategizes with Ministries of Health, Heads of State, and global partners to facilitate compassionate projects, transforming ideas into practical, usable and scalable solutions. Her strategic focus on healthcare solutions in low resource settings has earned her leadership roles on United Nations and Global Health councils.

She holds a Bachelor of Science in Mechanical Engineering from North Carolina A&T State University, and an MBA in International Business from Fairleigh Dickinson University.

A recipient of numerous awards for her professional accomplishments, Janeen was most recently recognized by The Network Journal as one of the 25 Most Influential Black Women in Business. She notably received The United Nations Global Leadership Award, the GE ICON Leadership Award, and The Network Journal's "40-Under-40" Business Leadership Award.

Beyond her professional achievements, she is a Board Member for the International Black Women's Public Policy Institute, an advisor for the National Believers in Business Collegiate Organization and a founding member of her former church. She has 11 nieces and nephews that she says help her stay grounded and not take herself too seriously.