

Influential Women Showcase Deborah Akinbowale, MBA, CSP: Head Of Safety At Wakefern Food Corporation

ELIZABETH, NJ, UNITED STATES, August 6, 2026 /EINPresswire.com/ -- With More Than 13 Years of Occupational Health and Safety Experience, Deborah Akinbowale Combines Strategic Leadership, Innovation, and Advocacy to Build Safer, More Empowered Workplaces

Deborah Akinbowale, MBA, CSP, is the Head of Safety at Wakefern Food Corporation, where she leads enterprise-wide safety strategies across retail stores, distribution centers, and corporate offices. With more than 13 years of experience in occupational health and safety, she has established herself as a respected leader focused on strengthening



workplace safety, improving compliance, and creating environments where employee well-being is a top priority.

At Wakefern, Deborah oversees safety programs that promote operational consistency and a strong culture of accountability. She believes safety is more than meeting regulatory requirements—it is a core business value built through collaboration, trust, open communication, and employee engagement. Her strategic leadership encourages workers to actively participate in identifying risks and developing solutions that create safer workplaces.

Before joining Wakefern, Deborah gained extensive experience with global organizations such as Amazon, Apple, and The Estée Lauder Companies. Throughout her career, she has successfully led safety initiatives during periods of organizational growth and transformation, helping businesses strengthen risk management, modernize safety systems, and improve operational performance through innovative leadership.

Beyond her corporate career, Deborah is the founder of D.GraphiKs, a photography and graphic design business that reflects her passion for creativity and visual storytelling. By combining technical expertise with creative thinking, she effectively communicates complex ideas and demonstrates that innovation comes from balancing analytical skills with meaningful human connections.

Deborah credits her success to the values she developed growing up as the firstborn child in a single-parent household. These experiences taught her responsibility, resilience, perseverance, and accountability, shaping her leadership philosophy and inspiring her commitment to creating a better future for her daughter while continuing her own personal and professional growth.

A strong advocate for career development, Deborah emphasizes the importance of taking ownership of one's professional journey. She believes that while hard work is essential, professionals must also make their accomplishments visible, especially as they move into leadership positions. She encourages individuals to confidently communicate the value of their contributions and actively pursue opportunities for growth and recognition.

As a leader in a traditionally male-dominated field, Deborah encourages women to lead with confidence, authenticity, and courage. She believes women bring valuable perspectives to workplace safety and leadership, urging them to trust their expertise, speak with purpose, and embrace opportunities to influence positive change. She also highlights emerging priorities such as psychological safety, emotional intelligence, and artificial intelligence as key factors shaping the future of workplace safety.

Guided by authenticity, integrity, and continuous improvement, Deborah remains committed to building workplaces where people feel safe, valued, and empowered. Through her leadership at Wakefern Food Corporation and her creative work with D.GraphiKs, she continues to demonstrate that effective safety leadership goes beyond compliance—it is about protecting people, fostering trust, and creating organizations where employees can thrive.

Learn More about Deborah Akinbowale:

Through her Influential Women profile: <https://influentialwomen.com/connect/Deborah-Akinbowale>

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