

**His Excellency Anthony Johnson**  
**Ambassador of Jamaica to the United States of America**  
**and Permanent Representative of Jamaica to the Organization of**  
**American States (OAS)**

Anthony Smith Rowe Johnson, Jamaica's ninth Ambassador to the United States and Permanent Representative to the Organization of American States (OAS), assumed duties in March 2008.

Ambassador Johnson attended Petersfield Elementary and Kingston College in Jamaica and the University of California, Los Angeles, where he obtained a B.A. in Economics (1964) and a M.A. in International Trade and Finance (1965).

Ambassador Johnson began his career in the media where he was an Assistant Farm Editor at The Gleaner Company and later News Reporter/Producer at the Jamaica Broadcasting Corporation. He was awarded the Inter-American Press Association Scholarship.

In the field of education, he was the first Chairman of EXED Community College and later served as Lecturer and Senior Lecturer in the Department of Management Studies at University of the West Indies from 1992 to 2008.

In the political field, Ambassador Johnson served in Parliament for 27 years – Deputy Leader of the Jamaica Labour Party, Opposition Spokesman on Agriculture, Minority Leader of the Senate, Spokesman on Education, Minister of State in the Ministry of Agriculture, Spokesman on Mining, Energy & Technology, Member of Parliament, Minister of State in the Ministry of Industry and Commerce and Senator representing the Jamaica Labour Party. He was the first Jamaican to be elected a Director of the Parliamentarians for Global Action (PGA) in New York.

Ambassador Johnson also served as Executive Director of the Private Sector Organization of Jamaica and Managing Director of JAMPRO Ltd.

He is the author of ten books and has published numerous papers and articles on economics and history. He was awarded Senior Fulbright Fellowship in 1980 and honorary citizenship of Los Angeles.

Ambassador Johnson is married to Pamela for over 30 years and they have four children - three daughters and a son.

His interests are Jamaican history and economy, international trade, business ethics, cricket, agriculture, athletics, classical music, politics, writing and Christian witness.