



Zubair Abdusshaheed is a resident of Philadelphia and part of one of the oldest Muslim families in the Islamic Community since 1968. Zubair graduated from Lamberton High School in 1982, from there; attended Community College of Philadelphia. There he began his Pre-Med studies with the intent of transferring to a full time medical program.

In 1984, Zubair was accepted to the University of Islamic Studies: Muhammad Ibn Saud in Riyadh Saudi Arabia. He studied for almost 4 years in the Language Institute. His course concentration was Arabic language, Literature Fiqh, Quranic Recitation, Tafseer, History, Hadeeth and Arabic Grammar.

In 1996, Zubair became the Islamic Chaplin for the Pennsylvania State Correctional Prison System, SCI Retreat Correction Institute. He was the Imam responsible for inmate counseling, Islamic Studies consisting of Quran and Tajweed, basic Fiqh and inmate personal development and grief counseling. He held that position for 3 years until 1998.

In the summer of 1998, Zubair became the CEO of Executect Security firm. As the Board Chair and CEO; Zubair's responsibilities included contract acquisition and negotiation, personnel development, employee supervision, Assistant trainer and bodyguard. This position was held until the summer of 2000.

Currently, I am the President and CEO of Ronin Protection and Security Concepts. As CEO I oversee Contract Negotiation and Project Management. Additionally, I fulfill the role of Security Officer Trainer, Marketing and Development Liaison, and Lead Close Body Protection Agent. The focus of my company is to develop and promote personal wealth building along with providing employment for our community.

Upon hearing about the Jessica Cares program, I saw the potential to give back and help develop the young minds of those involved. Growing up a Muslim in this community I felt a unique connection with the young students of this positive program. The unique challenges and struggles that they face in these days and times as young Muslimahs inspired me to help safeguard and impart upon them the wisdom of years of spiritual and worldly experience to help prepare and empower them to overcome the many obstacles ahead.