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SENI TIENABESO PROMOTED TO VICE PRESIDENT, ABC NEWS LIVE AND SPECIALIZED UNITS

ABC News President Almin Karamehmedovic announced today that award-winning journalist Seni Tienabeso has been promoted to vice president of ABC News Live and specialized units based in New York. He will oversee management and the editorial direction of ABC News' 24/7 streaming news channel and ABC News' business, medical and climate units. Tienabeso will report into Karamehmedovic.

In this new role, Tienabeso will lead all aspects of ABC News Live, including resource and talent management, content development and programming — responsible for the continued growth of viewership and engagement. In addition to leading business units for ABC News, he will also collaborate with ABC Owned Television Stations, ensuring effective communication on the most important stories of national interest, as well as those that especially matter to specific markets across the country.

"Seni is one of the most talented, hard-working journalists in the industry who has a natural instinct for creative storytelling and impactful reporting," said Karamehmedovic. "He will be instrumental in leading ABC News Live as America's No. 1 streaming news channel and elevating our specialized units to cover issues that help inform our audience during this consequential time."

Prior to this role, Tienabeso was the first-ever executive director of ABC News Live, shepherding the streaming news channel to a record 600+ million hours streamed in 2024 and prestigious Emmy® and duPont-Columbia Award wins. Before that, he was executive producer of ABC News Live's primetime programming, including creating and leading the most award-winning streaming news program, ABC News Live's "Prime with Linsey Davis."

Beginning his career at ABC News in 2007, he has risen through the ranks from a producer at ABC NewsOne's affiliate service to a producer at ABC News based in Miami and a senior producer at America's most-watched program across broadcast and cable, "World News Tonight with David Muir," where he led foreign and social justice stories and anchor-produced the show when on the road.

Having reported from six continents and 45 states, Tienabeso has covered some of the biggest stories in recent history, including several presidential elections, natural disasters, the 2014 Israeli-Hamas war, the Boston Marathon terrorist attack, the earthquake in Haiti, and the Chilean miner rescue.

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