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Educational

University of Jos, Jos, Plateau State.

Nigerian Law School, Bwari – Abuja.

Institute of Chartered Mediators & Conciliators.

University of Ibadan, Oyo State.

Chartered Institute of Arbitrators (UK).

Nasarawa State University, Keffi, Nasarawa State.

Walden University, Minnesota, U.S.A

Clingendael Academy (Netherlands Institute of International Relations)

Professional Qualifications

Bachelor of Laws (LL. B)	1997
Barrister at Law (B.L)	1999
Certified Mediator and Conciliator	2002
Certified Professional in Managing Workplace Conflicts	2003
SEC Certified Capital Market Operator	2006
M.A, Peace and Conflict Studies.	2007
Certified Facilitator in International Mediation Skills and Mediation Advocacy Training	2008
Certified Facilitator in International Toolkit Mediation Skills and Decision-Making Training	2008
Certified Arbitrator	2008
Diploma in International Commercial Arbitration	2009
Fellow, Institute of Chartered Mediators and Conciliators	2010
Fellow, Chartered Institute of Arbitrators (UK).	2010
Fellow, International Institute of Leadership and Governance	2013
Masters in Law LL.M	2015
Doctor of Philosophy, (Ph.D.) Specialization: Terrorism, Mediation and Peace	2018
Ecowas and Clingendael Academy Certified Trainer in Mediation and Dialogue	2018
Chartered Institute of Arbitrators (UK) Certified Trainer in Commercial Mediation	2018
Fellow, Society for Peace Studies and Practice	2021

WORK EXPERIENCE:

GREENFIELD CHAMBERS -

2002 – Date

- Legal Consultancy, Arbitrator, Mediator, Notary Public & Allied Services.
- Litigation of commercial, criminal, political, and constitutional issues
- Founding and Managing Partner

ECOWAS COMMISSION

-Facilitation of dialogue and mediation training for civil society organizations faith-based and community peace actors in **Freetown, Sierra Leone: November 2017**

- Facilitation of dialogue and mediation training for civil society organizations faith-based and community peace actors in **Benin City, Nigeria: October 2018**

- Facilitation of two days inter-party dialogue workshop on negotiation and mediation for the leadership and members of the Sierra Leone Parliament in **Accra, Ghana: October 2018**

GIZ NIGERIA OFFICE

Facilitation of trainings, strategy meetings and engagements, document review etc.

NASARAWA STATE UNIVERSITY, KEFFI

- Adjunct Lecturer - Law Faculty
- Teaching Introduction to ADR, Negotiation, Mediation, and Conciliation, International Commercial Arbitration, Principles and Practice of Arbitration, and Practical ADR Skills.

JUSTICE FOR ALL (J4A) ALTERNATIVE DISPUTE RESOLUTION PROJECTS

Trainer/Facilitator

UNODC/NJI JUSTICE SECTOR REFORM'S

-Trainer/Facilitator

- Moderator of town hall meetings on access to justice, judicial capacity and integrity, human rights.

INSTITUTE OF CHARTERED MEDIATORS AND CONCILIATORS 2003-DATE

- President and Chairman of Governing Council Dec 2020 to date
- Member Governing Council 2003 – to date
- Trainer and Facilitator, Curriculum Development, Discipline
- Registrar – November 2009 to November 2014
- Consulting on the establishment of Alternative Dispute Resolution Centres in Ogun State and FCT

UNODC/NJI Trainings ON ALTERNATIVE DISPUTE RESOLUTION

Facilitator

LEDAP/UNODC/NJI JUSTICE SECTOR ASSESSMENT

- Legal Adviser/Facilitator

DELE OYE & ASSOCIATES -

1999-2002

- Legal Drafting, Company Documentation, Litigation and Real Estate (Investments and Documentation)

FEDERAL MINISTRY OF INTERNAL AFFAIRS (NYSC) -

2000-2001

- Legal Drafting, Contract Documentation and Opinion writing.

BENUE STATE UNIVERSITY (ABUJA STUDY CENTRE) -

2001-2002

- Faculty/Resource Person teaching Law of Contract and Family Law

OTHER WORK-RELATED EXPERIENCE

President, Institute of Chartered Mediators and Conciliators (ICMC)	December 2020 to Date
Member, Institute of Directors of Nigeria	September 2020
Chairman, Board of Directors, Layer3 Limited	May 2020 – to date
Member, CIArb (UK) Workbook Adaptation Committee	July 2020
Member, Panel of Neutrals – Federal High Court ADR Centre	August 2019
Director, Layer3 Limited	June 2019 to date
Head Alternative Dispute Resolution Group, NACCIMA	Sep. 2017 to date
Layer3 Limited Employee Share Scheme Committee	August 2017
Trustees, Abuja Chamber of Commerce Dispute Resolution Centre	Sep. 2017 to date

Chairman, Board of Directors, Pillar Microfinance Bank Limited	Mar. 2016 – to date
Chairman Editorial Committee CIArb (UK) Nigeria Branch	2015 – to date
Certified Trainer: Arbitration and Mediation – Chartered Institute of Arbitrators (UK)	2013 – to date
Member, Panel of Neutrals – Kigali International Arbitration Centre (KIAC)	Mar. 2012 – to date
Member, Panel of Associate Mediators – Global Mediation (UK)	Apr. 2012 – to date
Member, Panel of Neutrals – Abuja Chamber of Commerce Dispute Resolution Centre	Feb. 2018 – to date
Associate Tenant, 4-5 Grays Inn (UK)	Feb. 2014 – Aug 2015
Door Tenant, Argent Chambers (UK)	Dec. 2011 – Nov 2013
Notary Public of Nigeria	Oct. 2008
Member, Panel of Neutrals – Nigerian Communications Commission	Feb. 2006 – to date
Capital Market Certified Practitioner	2006 to date

LITIGATION EXPERIENCE

I have significant experience litigating matters before all levels of court in Nigeria. I believe that a client's interest and the protection of their rights is paramount in all circumstances. My disposition is to prosecute/defend my client's course ensuring at all times that justice is served. My pro bono service spanning several years has resulted in reduction of sentences and in some cases acquittal for some of my clientele. I also believe in pursuing public interest litigation and the preservation of institutional integrity.

ARBITRATION EXPERIENCE

I have served as either presiding arbitrator or party appointed arbitrator in several matters on a wide range of issues including but not limited to defence contracts, power/energy contracts, construction contracts, oil and gas, environment preservation and management contracts, financial matters, telecommunications, and real estate development matters. I have also served as counsel in a handful of arbitrations.

MEDIATION EXPERIENCE

I have served as a mediator in the resolution of a broad range of disputes amongst which are family and domestic mediation, real estate/leasehold related disputes, government contracts, joint venture agreements, commercial (banking and finance related issues) and inheritance/probate issues just to mention a few. I am also a certified professional in managing workplace conflict and have been involved in facilitating the resolution of Labour/Management disputes.

Membership of Professional Bodies

- Nigeria Bar Association
- International Bar Association
- Institute of Chattered Mediators and Conciliators
- Mediation Training Institute International
- Mediation Training Institute Nigeria
- Life Member, Pan African Lawyers Union (PALU)
- Society for Peace Studies and Practice (SPSP)
- Chartered Institute of Arbitrators (UK)
- The American Society for Public Administration
- Lagos Court of Arbitration
- Canada Institute for Conflict Resolution
- Clingendael Academy (Netherlands)
- African Arbitration Association

Workshops/Conferences Attended:

- British Council (S.J.G) in Conjunction with Abuja Multi-Door Court House. 2002
- Nigeria Bar Association (NBA) Annual Conference - 2003
- IBA African Regional Conference - April, 2004
- IBA SEERIL Conference on Developing Energy - January, 2006
- National Centre for State Courts Workshops for Court Employees 2003
- Certified Trainee on Case Flow Management – 2004
- Advanced Case Management Training – 2004
- Public Access to Court Information – 2004
- Alternative dispute Resolution – 2005
- Lawquest Continuing Legal Education Series - 2003- Date
- Society for Peace Studies and Practice Conference – 2006
- National Democratic Institute Workshop on Elections – 2007
- UNODC/NJI Training of Trainers. - Oct., 2007
- NBA Section on Legal Practice Conference – 2007
- NBA Section on Business Law Conference - 2007-Date
- Nigerian Bar Association Annual Conference, Ilorin August 2007
- UNODC/NJI Training for Traditional Rulers on ADR June 2008
- UNODC/NJI Training for Traditional Rulers on ADR July 2008
- UNODC/NJI Training for Judicial Officers on ADR July 2008
- MTI/ACB Training on International Mediation, Amsterdam June 2008
- MTI/ACB Training on International Mediation, Dubai July 2008
- NBA Workshop on Corrupt Free Management of Elections July 2008
- Nigerian Bar Association Annual Conference, Abuja August 2008
- Conference on Human Rights Council and Advancement of Human Rights October 2008
- British Council (S.J.G) Workshop on Alternative Dispute Resolution November 2008
- Consultative Seminar on Diverse Legal Aid Models in Nigeria May 2009
- Nigerian Bar Association Annual Conference, Lagos August 2009
- International Bar Association Conference, Madrid, Spain October 2009
- Workshop on Strengthening Respect for Human Life Using Coroner Law November 2009
- Consultant National Summit on Labour Dispute Resolution December 2009
- 13th International Arbitration Conference, London March 2010
- International Bar Association African Regional Forum Cape Town March 2010
- NBA SBL Conference April 2010
- 13th Transnational Crime Conference Paris June 2010
- IBA/SEERIL/Arbitration Conference Lagos June 2010
- NBA Annual Conference Kaduna August 2010
- IBA Annual Conference, Vancouver Canada October 2010
- International Training in Mediation & Leadership Skills Calgary Canada October 2010
- NBA SLP Conference Calabar November 2010
- Strategic Leadership Development and Productivity Workshop. December 2010
- American Bar Association, Annual Spring Meeting, Washington USA. April, 2011
- Nigerian Bar Association Annual Conference, Port Harcourt August 2011
- 15th International Arbitration Conference, Stockholm, March 2012
- CI Arb (UK) Seminar on International Mediation Conciliation and Arbitration March 2012
- Nigerian Bar Association Annual Conference, Abuja August 2012
- Summit on Criminal Justice Reforms, London September, 2012
- NBA/SEC Workshop on the New Code of Corporate Governance October, 2012
- Section on Legal Practice of NBA (SLP) Conference, Ibadan November, 2012
- CI Arb Alexander Lecture-Universal Arbitration- What We Gain, What We Lose October 2012
- Section on Business Law of NBA (SBL) Conference, Lagos June, 2013
- Nigerian Bar Association Annual Conference, Calabar August 2013
- Section on Legal Practice of NBA (SLP) Conference, Makurdi November, 2013
- Chartered Institute of Arbitrators Annual Lecture Series 2012- to date

• 1 st SLP NBA Abuja Conference	March, 2014
• 2 nd SLP NBA Abuja Conference	June, 2014
• Nigerian Bar Association (NBA) Annual Conference, Owerri	August 2014
• International Bar Association Conference (IBA), Tokyo	October 2014
• Board Member, Pillar Microfinance Bank Limited	November 2014
• Section on Business Law of NBA (SBL) Conference, Lagos	June, 2015
• CIArb (UK) Centenary Conference in Livingstone, Zambia	July 2015
• Nigerian Bar Association (NBA) Annual Conference, Abuja	August 2015
• 8 TH CIArb Mediation Symposium, London	October 2015
• 1 st ICAMA Biannual African Arbitration Roundtable Conference	October 2017
• CIArb (UK) Nigeria Branch Annual Conference, Abuja, Nigeria	November 2015
• ICC Regional Conference on Arbitration 2016, Lagos	June 2016
• Section on Business Law (SBL) Annual Conference 2016, Abuja	June 2016
• Nigerian Bar Association (NBA) Annual Conference, Port Harcourt	August 2016
• CIArb (UK) Nigeria Branch Annual Conference, Port Harcourt, Nigeria	November 2016
• Section on Business Law of NBA (SBL) Conference, Lagos	June, 2017
• Nigerian Bar Association (NBA) Annual Conference, Port Harcourt	August 2017
• 2 nd ICAMA Biannual African Arbitration Roundtable Conference	October 2017
• CIArb (UK) Nigeria Branch Annual Conference, Lagos, Nigeria	November 2017
• SOAS Arbitration in Africa Conference, Kigali Rwanda	May 2018
• Society for Peace Studies and Practice Annual Conference, Abuja	July 2018
• Nigerian Bar Association (NBA) Annual Conference, Abuja	August 2018
• CIArb (UK) Nigeria Branch Annual Conference, Abuja, Nigeria	October 2018
• Ephraim Arbitration Day, Abuja	June 2019
• Nigerian Bar Association (NBA) Annual Conference, Abuja	August 2019
• CIArb (UK) Nigeria Branch Annual Conference, Lagos, Nigeria	November 2019
• Institute of Chartered Mediators and Conciliators ADR Conference, Abuja	December 2019
• Nigerian Bar Association (NBA) Annual Conference, Abuja (Virtual)	August 2020
• CIArb (UK) Nigeria Branch Annual Conference, Lagos, Nigeria	November 2020
• Institute of Chartered Mediators and Conciliators ADR Conference, Abuja	December 2020
• Nigerian Bar Association (NBA) Annual Conference, Port Harcourt	October 2021
• CIArb (UK) Nigeria Branch Annual Conference, Ibadan, Nigeria	November 2021
• Institute of Chartered Mediators and Conciliators ADR Conference, Abuja	November 2021

PUBLICATIONS AND PAPERS PRESENTED

- Exploring Peace Education for Consensual Peace Building in Nigeria: Ph.D. Dissertation
- The Concept of the Multi-Door Court House: Published in International Bar Association Mediation News Letter (2009)
- Developing Options: Contribution to International Bar Association (IBA) Mediation Techniques e-Book (2010)
- Repositioning The Nigerian Legal Profession to Provide Specialized Legal Services: Delivered at the NBA Young Lawyers Conference, Benin, July 2015
- Commercial Mediation Practice: The Nigerian Experience: Published in the Chartered Institute of Arbitrators Journal Arbitration Vol.82 No.1 2016
- Why Mediation Works: Published in The Arbitrator Vol. 10 No.5 2018
- Terrorism, Insurgency, Mediation & Peace – What Role for ADR Practice and the Practitioner? - Delivered on the 4th December 2016
- Practice of Arbitration in Commercial Dispute Resolution: The Nigerian Experience: Delivered on the 10th December 2016
- Paper on reforms related to Plea Bargaining and Non-Custodial Sentences: Alternatives to Imprisonment incorporating issues of Compensation and Restitution under the Administration of Criminal Justice Act: Delivered 16th March 2017
- The Relevance of Arbitration to Modern Day Legal Practice: Delivered on the 26th day of July 2017
- Paper delivered on Leadership and Organizational Change on the 27th July 2017

- Alternative Dispute Resolution: Practice and Procedure: Delivered on the 16th November 2017
- Alternative Dispute Resolution and the Courts: The Interface between the Courts And the Multi-Door Courthouse: Delivered on 28th March 2018
- The Rise of Arbitration and other Forms of Alternative Dispute Resolution in resolving Commercial Disputes: Delivered on the 24th May 2018
- Introduction to Mediation and Essential Skills in Mediation: Delivered on the 15th October 2018
- Corporate Governance and Alternative Dispute Resolution: Delivered on the 9th May 2019
- Negotiation and Mediation Skills in Commercial Disputes: Delivered on the 14th May 2019
- Adoption of ADR Mechanisms in The Recovery of Debts Owed Failed Banks 24th/30th January 2020
- Building a Brand to Create Competitive Advantage in the Business of Legal Practice in Nigeria on 8th December 2020
- Creating a Niche in Legal Profession And Specialization in Legal Profession and Specialization in Legal Practice: Where Lies the Perfect Blend: Delivered at the Annual Law Week of NBA Bwari Branch, June 2021
- The ABC of Arbitration practice and Procedure: Delivered at the NBA Gwagwalada Branch Meeting, August 2021
- The Courts and ADR: Partners or Foes: Delivered at a Webinar for NBA Suleja Branch, September 2021

VOCATIONS/CLUBS/SOCIETIES

IBB International Golf and Country Club
 Mount Saint Gabriel's Old Boys Association
 University of Jos, Alumni
 Society for Peace Studies and Practice (SPSP)

REFEREES:

Chief Bayo Ojo, SAN
Bayo Ojo & Co
4th Floor ITF Building
6, Ademola Adetokunbo Crescent,
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Abuja

Professor Paul Idornigie, SAN
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Supreme Court
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CURRICULUM VITAE

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