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PERSONAL DATA

Nationality: Ugandan
Gender: Male
Date of Birth: 18th September 1993

EDUCATION

September 2021 - October 2022

Law Development Centre - Uganda

Post Graduate Diploma in Legal Practice (Bar Course - Uganda)

BAR QUALIFICATION IN UGANDA

July 2021

European Law Students Association – Academy Switzerland on Arbitration

Summer School on International Arbitration

November 2020

International Law Institute - African Center of Legal Excellence

Advanced Certificate in Investment Arbitration.

November 2018 - July 2019

Leiden University (Thesis*)

Master of Laws: Public International Law

November 2018

Chartered Institute of Arbitrators

Accelerated Course to Fellowship in International Arbitration- MCI Arb

September 2017- July 2018

Cardiff University, Wales, United Kingdom.

Bar Professional Training Course (BPTC) – VERY COMPETENT.

CALLED TO THE BAR (ENGLAND AND WALES) GRAY'S INN

October 2014 – June 2017

Middlesex University Hendon, United Kingdom.

Bachelor of Laws (Upper Second-Class Honors)

February 2012 – November 2013

Namilyango College, Mukono, Uganda

Uganda Advanced Certificate of Higher Education (U.A.C.E)
WORK EXPERIENCE

August 2023 - to date

Law Development Centre

Legal Officer

- Interviewing existing and potential clients of the legal aid clinic.
- Offering legal advice to clients of the legal aid clinic.
- Representing clients before Courts of law.
- Preparing clients for self representation.
- Providing legal advice and counsel to Law Development Centre
- Conducting classes as assigned under Alternative Dispute Resolution and Clinical Legal Education.

February 2023 - July 2023

Law Development Centre - Legal Aid Clinic

Mediator / Reconciliator

- Facilitating communication between parties in conflict with a view of helping them reach a voluntary resolution of their disputes
- Resolving disputes between parties
- Preparing Court reports, social case histories and documents for mediation cases.
- Carrying out sensitisation in communities about mediation and reconciliation.

October 2023

Baroness Hale Legal Clinic- York Law School

Secondment Clerkship Student (part of clerkship/pupillage)

- Attending client interviews
- Benchmarking meetings with potential stakeholders

February 2021 – up to date

M/S Barirere, Muhangi & Co. Advocates

Knowledge Support Lawyer

- Supporting the partners with their legal research
- Provide advice on developing the firm practice areas
- Drafting memoranda for the firm's business development

June 2020 - October 2020

Global Sales and Contract Law Project

Virtual Research Assistant to Prof Ingeborg Schwenzer and Prof Edgardo Munoz

- I worked under a team tasked with carrying out research on recent developments in Scots Contract Law for inclusion in the GSCL book.

November 2019 - February 2020

Grotius Chambers

Paralegal

- Drafting brochures for the firm's practice areas to be used as marketing tools.
- I undertook legal research on cases conducted by the firm.
- I was involved in several international administrative law cases where I attended client conferences.

October 2018 – May 2019

Leiden University Willem C. Vis International Commercial Arbitration Moot.

Researcher and Oralist

- Carrying out research on international arbitration practice mainly on choice of law and admission of evidence in international commercial arbitration.
- Liaising with other members of the team to draft party memoranda under the auspices of UNCITRAL Model Law, Hong Kong International Arbitration Center rules 2018, CISG and UNIDROIT principles

November 2017

Apex Chambers, Cardiff

Mini Pupillage

- This involved me shadowing one of the barristers from Apex Chambers during a one-week trial and receiving advice on how to cross examine witnesses.

October 2017

Newport County Court

Marshalling with District Judge Holmes

- This involved me accompanying DJ Holmes to the family court over a four-day period.
- It helped me discuss cases with the judge and be able to give my opinion in some instances (although these opinions were never followed).

July 2017 – August 2017

Balgobin Chambers, Mauritius

Mini Pupillage

- This task involved me shadowing barristers as they appeared in the different courts in Mauritius.
- Attending client conferencing and helping with the recording of information that would later use to carryout research in each case.
- Carrying out any other duties as assigned to me by the barristers.

LEADERSHIP EXPERIENCE

November 2017 – September 2018

Cardiff University

Gray's Inn Student Representative

- Acting as a liaison and maintaining channels of communication between my Inn of Court, Cardiff University (Center of Legal Professional Studies) and student members of Gray's Inn.

October 2017 – July 2018

Cardiff University

Equality and Diversity Officer

- Tasked with gathering information regarding any form of discrimination on the Bar Course and communicating this effectively to the staff members to provide a safe and professional environment of study to my cohort.

January 2016- November 2016

Middlesex University, Mauritius Branch Campus

Vice President Middlesex Law Society

- My main task is to assist the president with the running of the Law Society and ensure that the other executive members of the society adhere to their roles and responsibilities.

10th- 15th November 2015

World International Model United Nations, WFUNA headquarters New York

Vice-Chair of General Assembly Sixth Committee (Legal)

- With the topic: The Rule of Law at national and international level, I was responsible for working hand in hand with the members of the Bureau to help delegates from all over the world come up with a resolution through consensus.
- Availing delegates with necessary pre-conference and during conference research regarding the Rule of Law.

AWARDS

- ✓ ***Vice Chancellor's International Scholarship*** awarded by Cardiff University as tuition fees towards my Bar Professional Training Course
- ✓ ***Best Speaker Award*** awarded my Middlesex University Mauritius Student Council for the International Women's Day Debate Competition 2017
- ✓ ***3rd Prize*** awarded by Independent Commission against Corruption Mauritius for the 2016 National Anti-Corruption Debate.

PUBLICATIONS

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- *Tax Regime in Nepal – Implications on Human Rights* (Kathmandu School of Law Review)
Volume 6 Issue I, April 2018

SKILLS, ACTIVITIES & INTERESTS

Languages: Native speaker of Runyakitara, and Luganda.
Full proficiency in English.
Elementary proficiency in French and Latin.

Skills: Proficient with Microsoft Package, Team Leadership and Teamwork.

Memberships:

- Honorable Society of Gray’s Inn,
- Energy Related Arbitration Practitioners (ENERAP)
- Chartered Institute of Arbitrators, Dutch Arbitration Association,
- Moot Alumni Association,
- Young ICCA
- YIAG

Interests: Legal Writing, Legal Research, Reading, Public Speaking, Debating, Playing and watching Rugby and Acting.

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