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ABOUT US

Oraro & Company Advocates is a market-leading African law firm established in 1977 with a strong focus on dispute resolution and corporate & commercial law. With a dedicated team of 12 partners, 13 associates and 41 support staff, the firm is highly respected for its dispute resolution practice in Kenya, and its strong bench of litigators.

We provide specialist legal services both locally and regionally in Arbitration, Banking & Finance, Corporate & Commercial, Conveyancing & Real Estate, Dispute Resolution, Employment & Labour, Infrastructure, Projects and PPP, Restructuring & Insolvency and Tax.

Oraro & Company Advocates prides itself in its deeply rooted client relationships by providing quality legal services through its partner-led approach, drawing from local knowledge and global perspectives.



OUR ASSET TRACING & RECOVERIES (WHITE COLLAR) EXPERTISE

Our Asset Tracing & Recoveries practice area is a recognised leader in advising on complex contentious and non-contentious asset tracing, recoveries and restructuring insolvencies. The practice area is led by a team of Partners with specialist know-how and deep experience in offering strategies for obtaining effective and time-critical legal remedies to secure and recover assets, including freezing injunctions, disclosure orders and protection of assets.

With a good reputation in handling complex banking disputes, debt recovery and asset tracing, the practice area has represented clients in various courts in the land including the Court of Appeal and the Supreme Court. Our Asset Tracing & Recoveries practice works closely with a broad range of stakeholders including banks, financial intermediaries, distressed companies, creditors, private equity sponsors, and governments. As a full-service law firm, the practice area is able to call upon advocates from a wide range of related specialist areas including tax, employment and labour, banking & finance and restructuring & insolvency.

"They're very impressive. Oraro is the team we turn to for our most important litigation and arbitration."

~ Chambers Global 2019.



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OUR RELEVANT EXPERIENCE

- Acting for the Central Bank of Kenya in the recovery of all amounts in the “Goldenberg” related cases, in excess of USD 1 billion.
- Representing a Kenyan bank (Under Receivership) in a claim that seeks the tracing and recovery of approximately USD 340 million which was defalcated from a Bank. We succeeded in obtaining a mareva injunction (freezing order) which is currently in force to preserve the subject matter of the suit.
- Representing a leading regional bank in a claim of USD 52 million arising from a facility of USD 300 million advanced to the defendants to fund the construction of the Nairobi-Mombasa oil pipeline.
- Representing the Kenya Deposit Insurance Corporation (the receiver manager for a mid-sized Kenyan bank) as lead counsel in a recovery action as well as the tracing and recovery of assets worth USD 70 million from individuals and companies alleged to have defrauded the bank, leading up to its receivership. We obtained a mareva injunction/freezing order, which is currently in force to preserve the subject matter of the suit.
- Acting in a suit against a Dutch bank and its officers, in a matter involving fraudulent claims and liability by officers of the bank in making advances to the bank.
- Acting for a Kenyan investment bank in a suit where a customer alleges that the bank failed to act in accordance with his instructions, with respect to a sale order on a publicly listed company's shares that he had purchased. The bank contends that owing to certain discrepancies in the identity of the customer at the time the sale instructions were received, it was put on enquiry as to whether it was faced with a potential fraud and took reasonable steps (Know Your Customer) in order to avert the same.
- Representing the receiver of a Kenyan bank (under receivership) against 3 companies. The claim seeks the tracing and recovery of approximately USD 300,000 from third parties that had fraudulent unlawful advances that caused the bank to go down and be placed under receivership.
- Representing an accused person for actions done while executing duties when acting as a senior official in the Government of Kenya. The accused was charged with abuse of office and conspiring to defraud the government. The saga has come to be known as the Anglo-leasing saga.



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ABOUT THE EVENT

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Kenya being East Africa's financial hub, remains vulnerable to money laundering and financial fraud. The country has been listed among the hotspots for money laundering in a **2019 report** released by the federal government of the United States. The implication of this is that any payment involving entities within the country will be subjected to additional scrutiny by global financial players, investors and banks. Government regulators have been putting in place measures and issuing directives which are aimed at sealing the available loopholes.

This session will facilitate dialogue, discussion and sharing of legal and industry experience with a focus on money laundering and the provision of the Proceeds of Crime and Anti-Money Laundering Act.

The seminar will among other issues highlight:

- the salient issues stipulated in the Proceeds of Crime and Anti-Money Laundering (Amendment) Act, 2017;
- anti-money laundering obligations of financial institutions;
- legal implications and remedy measures; and
- emerging issues in the fight against money laundering.



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George Oraro, SC
Senior Partner

Senior Partner at Oraro & Company Advocates, George Oraro SC has over 43 years of experience and he is held in high esteem for his arbitration, mediation and litigation expertise in Kenya. He specialises in administrative and judicial review, banking & commercial litigation, corporate & commercial law, employment and labour disputes, international trade and tax disputes.

Chambers Global 2019 Guide ranked George a top-tier lawyer, noting that he has a "brilliant legal mind" and that he has "attention to detail and extensive knowledge of law across jurisdictions."

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Jonathan Huth
Lawyer, Kobre &
Kim LLP, UK

Jonathan Huth is an accomplished trial lawyer who focuses his practice on cross-border disputes and investigations in the UK, greater Europe and Africa, with experience working in government, in-house and corporate council matters involving securities and financial fraud, market manipulation, futures and derivatives, international arbitration award enforcement and asset investigations and related recovery matters.

With a career spanning 19 years, Jonathan has worked for various organisations including HSBC Bank London as the Associate General Counsel, the U.S. Commodity Futures Trading Commission as the Senior Trial Attorney, Forman Watkins Krutz & Tardy LLP as a Senior Associate, the U.S. Department of Treasury - IRS as an Attorney for Senior Counselor to the Commissioner, Office of Professional Responsibility and the Financial Industry Regulatory Authority in the Fraud Division and Market Regulation. In these roles, Jonathan has engaged with regulators across the globe including those in multiple African jurisdictions, Europe and Asia.

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Mary Mutitu-Runana
Head of Financial Crimes
Compliance - Kenya & East
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An experienced risk and compliance management professional, Mary has over 15 years of relevant experience in financial & forensic audits, financial crime advisory; surveillance and screening activities; development of risk management frameworks including AML, sanctions, bribery and corruption and fraud risk.

She has previously worked for Deloitte East Africa in both auditing and financial advisory services, the Bermuda Monetary Authority where she was responsible for ensuring regulatory compliance (prudential and conduct) in the financial services sector of Bermuda.

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Wangechi Gichuki
Head of Legal,
Telkom Kenya

With over 13 years of experience, Wangechi has worked for various organisations in legal and regulatory capacities including Airtel Networks Kenya as the Senior Regulatory Officer, the State Counsel at the State Law Office and Ransley, McVicker & Shaw Advocates as an Associate Advocate.

At Telkom, Wangechi oversees the everyday legal aspects of the business, advises on the changing laws, provides legal support to the regulatory division at Telkom in terms of review of sector regulations and industry lobbying opportunities. She also oversees the company's litigation and contracting portfolio. Additionally, she sits on the Telposta Pension Scheme Board in the capacity of legal advisor.

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John Kamau
Associate Director,
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John is an Associate Director within the Advisory Business of PwC's East African Market. He leads teams within the region in the fight against economic crime and has experience leading assignments aimed at both preventing and combating fraud, money laundering, corruption and other financial crimes in Kenya, Uganda, Tanzania, Ethiopia, Malawi, Rwanda, Zambia and Mauritius.

John holds an engineering degree from Moi University and is a member of the Association of Chartered Certified Accountants (ACCA), UK and an associate member of the Association of Certified Fraud Examiners (ACFE). John has also attended various post-graduate in-house courses on forensics in general and financial crimes in particular.

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AGENDA

Friday, 22nd November 2019

7:00 AM:	Registration and Breakfast
7:30 AM:	Welcome Remarks by Chacha Odera, Managing Partner
7:40 AM:	Panel Discussion by: George Oraro SC: Senior Partner, Oraro & Company Advocates Jonathan Huth: Lawyer, Kobre & Kim LLP, UK Mary Mutitu-Runana: Head of Financial Crimes Compliance - Kenya & East Africa, Standard Chartered Bank - Kenya Wangechi Gichuki: Head of Legal, Telkom Kenya John Kamau: Associate Director, Forensics, PwC Geoffrey Muchiri: Partner, Oraro & Company Advocates Moderator Lena Onchwari: Partner, Oraro & Company Advocates Master of Ceremony
9:00 AM:	Q&A and Roundtable Discussion Moderated by Erastus Rabut, Associate
9:30 AM:	Closing Remarks by Noella Lubano, Partner
9:35 AM:	Guests Leave at Own Pleasure



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