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1. Logo Banner:

“CONSOLIDATED WITH
profound local knowledge and immense international experience!”

2. International:

“SERVING AS
a legal bridge between you and your interest in Ethiopia!”

3. Service:

“PROVIDING
a full-ranged one-stop legal solution!”

WELCOME TO ABNET SOLOMON LAW OFFICE

Based in Addis Ababa, Abnet Solomon Law Office (aka AbnetLaw) offers full-fledged, high-standard professional legal services, from legal consultation to trial representation for its international and domestic clients.

At AbnetLaw, we believe in fewer clients, more personal attention, and discreetly treating each of our clients on an individual basis.

[About Us](#)

WHAT MAKES YOU CHOOSE US?

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OUR COMMITMENT

Being passionate about the law & striving for the highest standard of service!

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OUR MISSION

Serving as a bridge between you and your interest in Ethiopia!

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OUR PHILOSOPHY

handling each case with a customized and personalized service to the satisfaction of the client

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OUR MATH

Fewer cases + customized services = better results + satisfied customers.

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WHAT CAN'T WE AGREE ON MORE?

Ready-made solutions are not really “ready” to solve all problems.

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WHAT WE KNOW AND LIVE WITH IT?

Every legal problem is unique – and so are our clients.

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WE OFFER OUR SERVICES ONLINE!

We are available for virtual video and audio meetings online 16 hours a day, seven days a week.

OUR SERVICES

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General Business Counsel

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Criminal Defense

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Representation & Commercial Litigation

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Legal Due Diligence

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Consultation and Civil Litigation

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Document Verification

Testimony.....

MEET OUR ATTORNEY

Abnet Solomon MELKAMU is the principal attorney and founder of Abnet Solomon Law Office.

He is an experienced and passionate attorney who strives to provide high-standard and client-centered legal services in Ethiopia.

HOW CAN WE HELP YOU?

We believe in providing tailored and personalized services.

Our philosophy is to respond to each client's request with unwavering dedication and personalized service. Our clients' satisfaction is always our top priority. As a result, we make certain that every client benefits from our attorney's full trust and power.

Contact Us to let us know about your inquiry or to book an appointment.

LEGAL RESOURCES

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2. About Us

Abnet Solomon Law Office (aka AbnetLaw) is a legal services provider based in Addis Ababa, Ethiopia. The inspiration behind the incorporation of AbnetLaw is to elevate the experience of legal services in Ethiopia by providing efficient, client-focused, and bespoke legal services.

At AbnetLaw, the philosophy is to represent the clients effectively in a timely fashion defined through a reputation of consistent professionalism and diligence. We believe that this mode of operation allows us to provide more personalized attention to each of our clients and their respective cases. As we are a client-centric firm, therefore, our clients always have the assurance that AbnetLaw will always be uniquely positioning them as per their personalized clientele needs by offering both dedicated and personalized attention and respective services on a case by case basis.

We appreciate that each case/legal problem is uniquely personal for our client, with specific economic, social, and emotional interests intrinsically attached to their respective bestowed interests. In other words, we believe that seemingly identical cases or legal problems cannot always be solved by applying the same legal recourse. Therefore, we always exert intricate efforts to thoroughly and exclusively evaluate and render individualized attention/bespoke solutions to each case/legal problem that we undertake. Thus, we process each case with sensitivity and equal passion.

We provide a wide variety of legal, para-legal, and quasi-legal services to multinational business firms, governmental and non-governmental organizations, as well as sole individuals. Our services are accessible remotely or in person, in the office, or as per your choice depending on the nature of the services you require. We are committed to delivering you a client-centric, robust, and comprehensive legal service with the highest possible level of reliability, integrity, and professionalism.

3. Practice Area

Our Services

AbnetLaw is one of Ethiopia's leading legal service providers, dedicated to providing high-quality, client-centric, and customized professional legal services for multinational small and medium-sized businesses as well as for startups owned by foreigners and Ethiopian expats in the diaspora. We also provide legal consultation and trial representation services to our individual clients.

Our services include:

General Business Counsel

Representation & Business Litigation

Consultation and Civil Litigation

Criminal Defense

Legal Due Diligence

Document Verification

WE OFFER OUR SERVICES ONLINE!

We are available for virtual video and audio meetings online 16 hours a day, seven days a week. You can reach us at anytime from anywhere in the world, saving you time and money on travel to our offices or even to Ethiopia.

To schedule an appointment, please [*Contact Us*](#).

3.1. GENERAL BUSINESS COUNSEL

For small and medium-sized businesses as well as start-ups, hiring a dedicated in-house lawyer to oversee and manage all of the legal matters they encounter is not always practical or cost-effective, unlike large corporations and businesses. As a result, many small and medium-sized businesses seek the assistance of outside legal counsel.

AbnetLaw provides the best outside general counsel services in Ethiopia for international and domestic small- and medium-sized businesses as well as start-ups on an as-needed basis.

At AbnetLaw, we provide business counseling across a wide spectrum of corporate and business matters, includes, company formation & branch registration, intellectual property, mergers, acquisitions, and dispositions, labor & employment, business succession, commercial and business laws, investment and privatization, partnerships and joint ventures, taxation, import and export, shipping & maritime law, internal investigations, general corporate law and business contract matters, contract negotiation and drafting, partnership and joint ventures, regulatory compliance, licence and registration, non disclosure, non-competition & non solicitation agreements, and copyrights and trademarks.

Our general business counseling service not only provides a comprehensive and cost-effective solution for our clients, but it also comes with a variety of billing options. Flat fees per service to hourly rates are available. We also provide a long-term partnership package with a fixed monthly fee. For more information, please visit our [*Long-Term Partnership page*](#).

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3.2. REPRESENTATION AND COMMERCIAL LITIGATIONS

AbnetLaw represents both international and domestic businesses in Ethiopia who seek to protect and enforce their legal rights. AbnetLaw prepares cases for court adjudication and advocates for our

clients in all aspects of complex business, commercial, and civil litigation, including arbitral tribunals, settlement venues, and forums.

At AbnetLaw, we regularly represent clients in all levels of federal and Addis Ababa municipality courts, as well as in alternative dispute resolution forums such as mediation and arbitration.

Our litigation and representation practice includes a wide variety of commercial and business disputes, including fraud, contract disputes, unfair competition and business practices, intellectual property, trade secrets, patent, trademark and copyright litigation, breach of warranties, labor and employment dispute, injunctions, insurance dispute, and liability and tort claims.

Our attorney has an extensive experience in representing clients before federal and Addis Ababa government agencies and authorities. Furthermore, he assists our clients in obtaining a variety of licenses, permits and certificates for their businesses.

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3.3. CONSULTATION AND CIVIL LITIGATION

For our individual clients, we provide legal advice and consultation services on personal, civil, and family matters, including divorce, child custody and maintenance, as well as cases of will and inheritance.

Our legal advice and consultation services aim to provide our clients with comprehensive legal information and advice that allows them to adequately protect their rights, assets, and family's interests in Ethiopia. This service is provided by our attorney, who has extensive experience in providing legal advice and consultation on a wide range of legal issues and questions.

At AbnetLaw, we also draft and review documents and contracts for individual clients pertaining to their contractual and legal needs. We also assist them in negotiating different kinds of contracts to ensure that they are protected and get better terms.

In many cases, a consultation is all that is required. In other cases, we offer our clients our other service—a civil litigation service. Our civil litigation practice encompasses a wide range of civil lawsuits, including all types of contract disputes, torts, as well as family disputes varying from divorce to marital property division. We also represent clients in estate and inheritance litigation.

[*Contact Us*](#) for a free 30-minute consultation.

3.4.CRIMINAL DEFENSE

Our law office has been involved in criminal defense practice since its inception, and after years of successfully representing clients in numerous criminal cases, we can humbly claim to be one of the best criminal trial attorneys in Ethiopia.

AbnetLaw represents clients facing criminal charges in all levels of federal and municipal courts in Addis Abeba. At AbnetLaw, we provide the best criminal defense services in these courts to those facing any type of criminal charge.

We know the consequences of a criminal conviction, which can have both immediate and long-term consequences. As a result, our attorney will fight to help our clients win their cases and defend them with every means at his disposal in order to obtain the best possible result.

Contact Us for a free 30-minute consultation.

3.5.LEGAL DUE DILIGENCE

Legal due diligence is a required component of any merger or acquisition transaction, as well as any initial investment in a foreign country with diverse investment and commercial laws. AbnetLaw provides multinational small- and medium-sized businesses and entrepreneurs in Ethiopia with best-in-class, tailored legal due diligence services.

Our due diligence services are focused on providing critical and adequate information after collecting all available information on an individual, company, or business transaction in question, in order to help our clients understand the risks associated with their investment and the cost-effectiveness of a business transaction.

The primary goal of our due diligence service is to identify and assess the strengths and weaknesses of a business transaction, as well as to evaluate the legal risks and benefits of the transaction and the best method to mitigate any potential or unexpected risks.

Contact Us for more information about our legal due diligence service.

3.6.DOCUMENT VERIFICATION

Our Document Verification Service enables our international corporate clients to verify any government-issued and other public documents from anywhere in the world within a reasonable timeframe.

To verify the authenticity of any government-issued document, we use reliable and comprehensive public document libraries. We also contact the issuing agencies directly to confirm the legality, authenticity, and validity of government and public documents such as court records, licenses, certificates, permits, and educational documents.

You can reduce your vulnerability to fraud by using our Document Verification Service. If you want to use our services, please [Contact Us](#) for more information.

3.7.LONG-TERM PARTNERSHIP

Are you looking for a long-term partnership that will allow you to receive our services on a consistent basis? Through a retainership agreement, we are happy to provide our services to businesses on an ongoing basis. There are two options for engaging us through a retainer agreement.

Option A: A fixed monthly fee for a set period of time:

When you opt up for this service, our attorney will be available for a given amount of time each month for a monthly fixed fee. This removes the need to search for a lawyer every time you need to work on a certain legal issue or problem. It also gives you a reason to keep us involved in your business rather than waiting until a legal issue becomes too big to ignore.

Additionally, by choosing the fixed monthly fee retainer service, your firm will pay a lower charge for any time we spent outside of your plan or for any additional legal work not covered by your fixed monthly fee retainer agreement.

Please note that this option is only available to a limited number of firms in order to give the best possible availability and service to those clients.

Option B: A monthly retainer fee combined with a set fee for future services:

For as little as \$100 per month, our office will enter into a Retainer Agreement with you, defining the terms and conditions of our future engagement whenever you require our legal services. If you do not use our services, you only pay a small fixed monthly fee to retain our office. Whenever your firm requires any of our services, you will be charged the fee and subject to the terms and conditions outlined in our Retainer Agreement.

If you select this option, you will have the assurance that whenever you require any of our services, we will provide them in accordance with the terms and conditions outlined in our Retainer Agreement. This gives you peace of mind about the cost of any future legal services you may require.

Please [let us know](#) if you have any other suggestions, as we are interested in exploring different options for our long-term partnership engagement.

4. Our Attorney

PROFILE

Abnet S. MELKAMU is the founder and principal attorney at Abnet Solomon Law Office (AbnetLaw). Abnet received his Master of Laws (LL.M.) in 2010 from the University of Hull in the United Kingdom, and his Bachelor of Laws (LL.B.) with honors in 2007 from the Ethiopian Civil Service University. In addition, in 2001, he graduated from the Ethiopian Police University with a Police Cadet Diploma with a GPA of his batch.

He is admitted to practice law at all levels of the Federal Courts and Addis Ababa Municipal Courts. His practices encompass all kinds of business transactions and business disputes.

Abnet is an experienced legal professional who has worked as a senior legal counsel to the Ethiopian Minister of Transport and the Commissioner General of the Ethiopian Federal Police for more than eight years before establishing his own law firm. He had previously served as a high-ranking police officer with the Ethiopian Federal Police.

Since the establishment of AbnetLaw, he has been consulting diversified international and domestic firms on their business and legal interests in Ethiopia. He has also represented a multitude of corporate and individual clients before federal courts and administrative agencies, in alternative dispute resolution, and through internal investigations.

Abnet has significant experience in the international legal arena, including France, Italy, Israel, the United Kingdom, Germany, China, the Republic of Korea, Brazil, United Arab Emirates, Switzerland, and many African countries. His international experience helps him to understand different cultures and legal regimes, which in turn enables him to offer real international outlook-based services in Ethiopia.

Learn more about Abnet at: <https://www.linkedin.com/in/abnetsolomon/>

EDUCATION/ADMISSIONS

Education:

- Master of Laws (LL.M.), Human Rights and Criminology, University of Hull (Kingston upon Hull, United Kingdom), · (2009 - 2010)
- Bachelor of Laws (LL.B.), Laws, Ethiopian Civil Service University (Addis Ababa, Ethiopia), · (2003 - 2007)
- Police Academy Diploma, Police Science and Leadership (Police Cadet Training), Ethiopian Police University (Sendaffa, Ethiopia), · (1999 - 2001)

Admissions:

Abnet is admitted to practice law at -

- all levels of the Federal Courts of the Federal Democratic Republic of Ethiopia.
- all levels Courts of Addis Ababa City Administration Municipal Courts

EXPERIENCE

Abnet has more than 20 years experience working as lawyer as well as law enforcement officer. His recent experiences includes the following;

- Principal Attorney and Consultant at Law, Abnet Solomon Law Office, Addis Ababa, Ethiopia, from Feb 2019 – Present;
- Senior Legal Adviser to the Minister, Ministry of Transport, Addis Ababa, Ethiopia, from Nov 2014 to Feb 2019;
- Police Advisor, United Nations Mission in South Sudan (UNMISS); Aweil, South Sudan; from Nov 2011 - Nov 2012;
- Legal Advisor to the Commissioner General & Head of Legal Affairs Division, Ethiopian Federal Police Commission, Addis Ababa, Ethiopia, from Oct 2010 – Nov 2011 & from Nov 2012 to July 2014;

Abnet's full profile can be seen [@linkedin.com/in/abnetsolomon/](https://www.linkedin.com/in/abnetsolomon/)

5. Legal Resource

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6. Contacts

LET'S GET IN TOUCH

Use our *Contact Form* to tell us about your inquiry, and we'll get back to you to schedule an appointment. Please be as detailed as possible.

You may also email or call us to make an appointment.

We will get back to you as soon as we can. We usually respond within 24 hours.