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CAREER OBJECTIVE

To provide client centred legal solutions and corporate secretarial services in the East African region and beyond.

SKILLS

- ✓ Dispute resolution
- ✓ Legal compliance and corporate secretarial practice
- ✓ Negotiation and drafting of legal instruments
- ✓ Legal research and writing
- ✓ Corporate communication, minutes, and report writing
- ✓ Legal Transcription
- ✓ Proficiency in Microsoft Office Suite

MEMBERSHIP TO PROFESSIONAL BODIES

- Member of the East Africa Law Society
- Member of the Law Society of Kenya
- Member of the Institute of Certified Public Secretaries of Kenya
- Associate Member of the Chartered Institute of Arbitrators
- Associate Member of the Kenya Institute of Management

EDUCATION

Year	Institution & Location	Qualification
10 th September 2019 to Present	University of Nairobi, Kenya	Master of Laws (LL. M.) in <i>International Trade and Investments Law</i>
5 th September 2011 to 30 th April 2015	Moi University, Eldoret, Kenya	Bachelor of Laws (LL. B.)

OTHER TRAINING AND PROFESSIONAL CERTIFICATIONS

- ❖ Certificate in Korean Language and Culture at the University of Nairobi (*4th October 2021 to Present*)
- ❖ Diploma in French Language and Culture at Alliance Française de Nairobi (*1st July 2021 to Present*)
- ❖ Training on Duties and Responsibilities of the Arbitral Secretary by the Lagos Chamber of Commerce International Arbitration Centre, Lagos, Nigeria (*4th September 2021*)
- ❖ Legal Practitioners' Training on Refugee Law Programme by the Refugee Consortium of Kenya, Nairobi, Kenya (*1st to 3rd September 2021*)
- ❖ Reading and Interpreting International Trade Agreements by the Trade Law Centre at Stellenbosch, South Africa (*23rd July – 3rd August 2021*)
- ❖ Module I - Domestic Arbitration, Law and Procedure by the Chartered Institute of Arbitrators in Nairobi, Kenya (*1st July to 10th December 2020*)

- ❖ Admitted to practice as a Patent Agent at the Kenya Industrial Property Institute, Nairobi, Kenya (*15th January 2020*)
- ❖ Admitted to the Roll of Advocates, Nairobi, Kenya (*4th December 2019*)
- ❖ Admitted to the Roll of Certified Public Secretaries, Nairobi, Kenya (*27th September 2019*)
- ❖ Introduction to Arbitration and Alternative Dispute Resolution by the Chartered Institute of Arbitrators in Kisumu, Kenya (*28th – 29th August 2019*)
- ❖ Certified Public Secretaries' (C.P.S.(K)) course at KCA University, Nairobi, Kenya (*1st January 2016 to 31st May 2019*)
- ❖ Advocates' Training Programme (Postgraduate Diploma in Law) at the Kenya School of Law, Nairobi, Kenya (*29th January 2016 to 31st August 2017*)

WORK EXPERIENCE

Year	Organisation & Location	Position
1 st March 2021 to Present	Nairobi Centre for International Arbitration (Nairobi, Kenya)	Capacity Building Officer
7 th June 2018 to 7 th June 2021	County Public Service Board of Kiambu (Thika, Kenya)	Legal Counsel (II)
18 th January 2016 to 6 th June 2018	County Government of Kiambu (Thika, Kenya)	Legal Intern
4 th May 2013 to 31 st August 2017	Kirubi, Mwangi Ben & Co. Advocates (Murang'a, Kenya)	Legal Assistant/ Pupil

TASKS

- Organizing for and assisting in training needs assessment in Alternative Dispute Resolution.
- Researching and assisting in development of Alternative Dispute Resolution training strategies.
- Designing and developing training criteria, qualifications, schedules, and certification of courses.
- Organizing for and assisting in development and execution of the public awareness campaigns on Alternative Dispute Resolution policies and plans.

OTHER PROFESSIONAL ENGAGEMENTS

- ✓ *1st September 2021 to Present: Pro bono Counsel at the Refugee Consortium of Kenya (Nairobi, Kenya)*
- ✓ *2nd August 2021 to Present: Country Representative of the Lagos Chamber of Commerce International Arbitration Centre in Kenya (Nairobi, Kenya)*
- ✓ *23rd July 2021 to Present: Member of the Marketing Committee of the Chartered Institute of Arbitrators – Kenya Branch (Nairobi, Kenya)*
- ✓ *4th July 2020 to Present: Panelist at Utatuzi Centre (Nairobi, Kenya)*
- ✓ *1st February 2020 to Present: Partner at Musili & Gathura Advocates (Nairobi, Kenya)*
- ✓ *1st September 2019 to Present: Company Secretary at Masipa Limited (Mombasa, Kenya)*
- ✓ *1st August 2019 to Present: Part-time Course Instructor at the Nairobi Institute of Business Studies (Ruiru, Kenya) teaching Company Law.*

AREAS OF INTEREST

- International commercial arbitration
- Intellectual property and conveyance practice
- Company law
- Corporate governance
- Human rights

PUBLICATIONS

- The Role of Courts in Arbitration: An analysis of the Kenyan practice (LL. M. Thesis) (forthcoming in December 2021)
- The UN Security Council in the Context of Changing Circumstances (LL.B. Research Paper, 2015)

LANGUAGES

Fluent in Swahili, English and French

HOBBIES

- ❖ Travelling
- ❖ Cycling
- ❖ Playing Football

REFEREES

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