

CURRICULUM VITAE

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Professional summary

For the last intensive thirteen [13] years of legal practice in a Law Firm [Lex Chambers], I founded in 2008, I have been practicing law in broad areas of corporate, transactions and Litigation. In the said good years, I have been honoured to be considered by domestic, regional and international corporations such as IFC country office as one of the country's best legal experts.

Since founding the Law Firm in 2008, I have been the Principal and Managing Partner which I have led the Firm to be among the first five Leading Law Firms in Rwanda. The Firm has twice, been awarded International Comparative Law, and Global law Experts awards in corporate tax. The Firm is also a member of the leading Law Firms forum at the East African Law Society [EALS] and has been awarded three trophies of recognition for its sponsorship of the EALS annual events. Lex Chambers

has twice featured in Rwanda Development Board [RDB] Investor's National Directories of 2012-2014, and 2015-2017 as the one of the leading transactions Law Firms in Rwanda.

By education, I graduated in Law from University of Rwanda in 1999 and obtained Masters' Degree in law from University of London in 2004, Postgraduate Certificate in International Business law from University of Cumbria, [UK]. I am a Chartered Arbitrator, and a member of Chartered Institute of Arbitrators, London. I am a member of International Association of Insolvency Administrators [INSOL International] – London, and also a member of American Bankruptcy Institute (ABI), an institute of Global insolvency administrators.

At Lex Chambers, I head Commercial practice desk which covers Corporate, Transactions, Arbitration, Banking, Intellectual Property, & Commercial legal practices. In my career, I have been predominantly involved in corporate and transactions practices and land conveyancing. In this kind of practices, I have served good number of international, regional, and local investors to incorporate, govern and restructure their companies to meet the required corporate governance standards.

Legal practice areas

- a) Commercial Arbitration (Domestic)
- b) Transactions
- c) Conveyancing [Land transactions]
- d) Corporate practice [Advisory]
- e) Employment law
- f) Commercial law
- g) Corporate Income Tax

Governance consultancy

- a) Institutional governance
- b) Human rights

Project management

- a) Project Monitoring & Evaluation
- b) Project design
- c) Strategic planning
- c) Surveys
- d) Rights based approach strategic planning

Education and professional career development

1. LLM, International Trade and Commercial Law, University of Essex, UK
2. MA (Human rights) University of London, UK
3. Post Graduate Certificate in International Business Law at University of Cumbria [UK]
4. Certificate in mediation skills, University of Cape town, SA
5. Bachelor's degree in Law (LL. B) National University of Rwanda,
6. Advanced certificate in arbitration
7. Certificate of completion of training in FIDIC Contracts
8. Certificate of completion of training on Rules of procedure and practices of East African Court of Justice,
9. Certificate of completion of Rwanda insolvency law training
10. Certificate of completion of Accelerated Route Fellowship in International Arbitration
11. Certificate of Achievement in training in International Commercial Law training
12. Certificate of completion of training in Arbitration of Bilateral Investment Treaties

Professional memberships

- a) Member of African Arbitration Association
- b) Member of the panel arbitrators at Kigali International Arbitration Centre (KIAC)
- c) Member of INSOL International -London (Association of Insolvency practitioners]
- d) Member of Chartered Institute of Arbitrators, London
- e) Member of Rwanda Bar Association since
- f) Member of East African Law Society since

Other Trainings

1. **USAID/Comprac/HIDC** (Human and Institutional Capacity Development Community of Practice) Rwanda
2. **Training** in Constitutional building for democracy undertaken by International IDEA- International Institute for Democracy and Electoral Assistance in Lusaka, Zambia
3. **Training** in Logical framework approach to national strategy planning, Centre for International Training and Development (CIDT) University of Wolverhampton, UK,
4. **Training** in International Human rights lawyering, University of Oxford, 2002
5. **Training** in Human Rights advocacy and dissemination, University of Oxford,
6. **Training** in International Human Rights law and the law of refugees, University of Oxford

Additional Professional skills

- **Social and impact assessment specialist:** Specialising on projects and policies
- **Baseline survey/Data collection and analysis:** Collecting and analysis of information from grounded data, to produce a report for target setting and or future planning.
- **Monitoring and evaluation specialist:** conducting baseline surveys, community projects evaluations, quantitative and qualitative methods of evaluation and survey, institutional analyses, human development and assessment skills and controlled random surveys.
- **Project design and management:** Problem tree analysis for use in project planning, implementation, monitoring and evaluation phases. Identifying key necessary tools including budgetary tools for the success of the project
- **Market research skills:** market opportunity surveys, viability, and market risk analysis

Arbitration experience

- a) Four times president of arbitral Tribunal
- b) Twice, a member of the Arbitral Tribunal
- c) Two times legal counsel in arbitration proceedings

Consultancy experience

1. **Legal Consultant:** National Fund for Environment (FONERWA) since 2013
2. **Governance Consultant:** UNDP consultant Rwanda's to conduct Country Joint Governance Assessment 2010 specialising in Ruling Justly, teamed with the University of Wolverhampton UK, Centre for International Development and Training (CIDT).

- 3. Legal Consultant:** To undertake assessment of internal procurement systems Sept 2013 for Association of Microfinance Institutions in Rwanda (AMIR)
- 4. Legal Consultant:** Association of Microfinance Institutions in Rwanda to develop HR manual on salary baseline and staff appraisal forms. December 2012-Feb 2013
- 5. Human Rights Consultant:** Ministry of Gender and Family Promotion/Plan International to develop national Guidelines for Child Participation in Rwanda. July- October 2012
- 6. Human Rights Consultant:** Rwanda Civil Society Platform to undertake child protection mapping exercise in Rwanda. Dec 2011- Jan 2012
- 7. Legal Consultant:** Association of Microfinance Institutions (MFIs) in Rwanda (AMIR) to conduct research and analysis in legal and regulatory framework governing Microfinance Institutions in Rwanda and their impact on the economy (March 2011).
- 8. Qualitative Surveyor** for Turner's Education and Development Consultants (TED), Nairobi Kenya which is undertaking a feasibility study for African Network for Prevention and Protection of Children against Child Abuse and Neglect (APPCAN) on East African Community Level to establish a judicial mechanism through which child victims of abuse and neglect can obtain justice. Since 1st November 2010
- 9. End-Term Project Evaluation:** Conducted End-Term project evaluation of Health Unlimited projects in the Southern province, May-June 2009.
- 10. Perception Surveyor Consultant** for Overseas Development Institute (ODI) UK in conducting perception survey during Joint Evaluation of Rural and Agricultural Development Projects financed by African Development Bank and International Fund for Agriculture (IFAD), October 2008

- 11. Project manual designer and trainer:** Designed a project management manual for small and medium projects for grass root levels community based organisations under the auspices of USAID to National Unity and Reconciliation Commission, a project implemented by International Rescue Committee; April 2008.
- 12. Baseline Surveyor Consultant:** Conducted baseline survey for security sector for use in developing performance indicators in Economic Development and Poverty Reduction Strategy (EDPRS) June 2007
- 13. Consultant facilitator:** Facilitated Capacity building and employment promotion Sector to design its Economic Development and Poverty Reduction Strategy (EDPRS) logframe, March 2007
- 14. Consultant facilitator:** Facilitated security Sector to develop its logframe and Monitoring and evaluation framework, March 2007
- 15. Consultant facilitator:** Economic Development and Poverty Reduction Strategy (EDPRS) Health Sector, November 2006
- 16. Curriculum development consultant:** USAID/Chemonics international to develop curriculum on gender and domestic relations in Rwanda for Institute for Legal Practice and Development (ILPD), July-Sept 2006
- 17. Consultant trainer:** Rwanda National Police on individual responsibility for international crimes, Jan 2006
- 18. Consultant trainer:** Rwanda national prison service on Prison ethics, July 2006
- 19. Legal Consultant:** Philip & Turpin solicitors, Oxford, UK, 2004-5

Facilitation & Moderation Skills and Experience

- a) Facilitated workshops of NGO forum in Rwanda on civil society inputs to the national Economic Development and Poverty Reduction Strategy (EDPRS)
- b) Facilitated training workshops in Rwanda conducted by Centre for International Training and Development (CIDT) University of Wolverhampton, UK
- c) Moderated a UNICEF workshop on mainstreaming children's right national strategies

Academic experience

1. Visiting Lecturer in the following at Kigali Independent University and Kigali Adventist University:
 - International Private law
 - International Human Rights law
 - Labour law
 - International Transport law
2. **Research Director** to students in the following:
 - The freedom of the press in Rwanda
 - Child labour in Rwanda
 - Noise pollution under Rwandan law

Media and Public Lectures

MEDIA:

1. **Meridian television interview (UK)** the success story of social inclusion
2. **BBC radio Berkshire interview:** What lessons has the Rwandans and the international community learned from the Rwandan genocide? April 2004

3. Features and articles contributor: The New Times (Rwandan tabloid):

- a) **Good governance:** Rwanda's gateway to economic development, 2006
- b) **Neglecting Gacaca,** Neglecting Justice, 2006
- c) **State and Media:** Regulatory or Restrictive? 2006
- d) Virulent press may hinder justice, 2006
- e) Religion and politics: Couples who wont marry in public
- f) Rwanda Vision 2020 Dilemma: US case
- g) Rwanda Vision 2020 (part 2): Will the donors give us a big push? 2006
- h) Is Genocide defined by law or by politics? 2006
- i) Who should receive presidential pardon and commutation? 2006
- j) Pre-emptive intervention in international law perspective, 2006
- k) And many others

Voluntary Sector participation

1. Management Committee member, *Mothertongue listening and counselling services*, Reading, UK
2. Management Committee, member, *Reading, Refugee Support Group*, Reading, UK
3. Member of Amnesty group, Reading, UK

Language Proficiency:

<u>Language</u>	<u>Writing</u>	<u>Speaking</u>	<u>Reading</u>
<i>English:</i>	Excellent	Excellent	Excellent
<i>Kinyarwanda:</i>	Mother tongue	Mother tongue	Mother Tongue

Swahili

Good

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Other important skills

1. Computer Skills:

- Excellent in Ms Word Process,
- Excel
- PowerPoint

2. Project design in a 4x4 matrix logical framework approach

3. Good interpersonal skills required for in a teamwork