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EDUCATION

- **Nigerian Law School, Bwari, Abuja**
Barrister-at-Law (BL)
First Class Honours
2018
- **Babcock University, Ilishan-Remo, Ogun**
Law (LL.B)
Second Class (Upper Division)
2017

EXPERIENCE

- **Olaniwun Ajayi LP** *July 2019 - July 2020*
Associate, (Power and Infrastructure)
 - Advised a telecommunications company on a NGN50 billion financing by a local commercial bank for the expansion of its network
 - Advised an indigenous oil and gas firm on a USD75 million non-recourse financing by a local commercial bank for the development of an Oil Mining Licence and subsequent restructuring of existing security interests held by a club of foreign lenders
 - Advised a local commercial bank on a circa USD70 million financing for the acquisition of additional stake in Geregu Power Plc by Amperion Power Limited
 - Advised an Africa-focused healthcare fund on the development and financing of a 165-bed hospital in Lagos, Nigeria
 - Provided legal support to a West-African tank farm operator on a cross-border dispute arising from a Private Equity investment
 - Advised a listed real-estate company on the hive-off and acquisition of a business unit by a Private Equity Fund-backed investor
 - Advised government agencies and private investors on public private partnership (PPP) infrastructure projects; notably the ongoing Lagos Blue Line Rail Project and the 4th Mainland Bridge Project.
 - Provided support to the Ogun State Government and Nasarawa State Government in relation to infrastructure and power sector reforms
 - Participated in the drafting of the Ogun State Public Private Partnership Law, 2019 and the review of the Lagos State Electric Power Sector Reform Law, 2018
 - Advised Evercare Hospital Lekki Ltd on its partnership with Guarantee Trust Bank Plc with respect to the 110-bed COVID-19 isolation centre at Onikan, Lagos
 - Provided legal support to a multi-specialist hospital on the tender process and negotiation of an operation and management contract
 - Advised The Shell Foundation in connection with a mini-grid project in Kaduna State; and its solar home systems project
 - Advised a tobacco manufacturer on a power purchase arrangement with an independent power producer
 - Routinely provided licencing and regulatory support to players in the power supply value chain as well as private producers and consumers of electricity
- **Olaniwun Ajayi LP** *December 2018 - June 2019*
Associate, (Finance and Capital Markets)
 - Advised Airtel Africa Plc in connection with the first foreign listing on the Nigerian Stock Exchange
 - Advised on the delisting of Newrest ASL Plc from the Nigerian Stock Exchange
 - Routinely advised local, foreign and multilateral financial institutions on derivatives and structured finance transactions including: synthetic letters of credit, foreign currency forwards and repurchase agreements
 - Provided structuring and regulatory support to Flutterwave Ltd in connection with its virtual card service (Barter)
 - Provided legal support to an American wellness and beauty brand in relation to repatriation of investment in its Nigerian subsidiary
 - Advised two borrowers in the manufacturing sector on the restructuring of their debt obligations to local commercial banks
 - Advised on the corporate restructuring of a Nigerian conglomerate with interests in manufacturing and hospitality
 - Routinely conducted legal due diligence and produced red-flag reports on corporate entities
- **Sofunde, Osakwe, Ogundipe and Belgore LP (SOOB Law)** *June 2018 - July 2018*
Legal Extern
 - Conducted in-depth legal research into a broad range of civil matters
 - Analysed and interpreted law sources
 - Produced first drafts of court processes
 - Participated in client meetings and development of case management strategies.
- **Jos Business Services Limited** *August 2017 - September 2017*
Administrative Intern
 - Drafted a broad spectrum of documents such as proposals and pitches and memoranda
 - Participated in the planning and coordination of entrepreneurship and management training programmes
- **O.B. James and Co.** *July 2015 - September 2015*
Legal Intern
 - Conducted legal research on various legal and regulatory matters
 - Observed and participated in client interviews to spot legal issues

- Attended and observed court proceedings
- Drafted and reviewed court processes and pleadings

CORE SKILLS

- Strong interpersonal communication skills
- Strong legal and non-legal research skills
- Excellent oral and written communication skills
- Critical and analytical thinking
- Problem solving skills
- Organisational skills

ACHIEVEMENTS

- Recipient of the Director General's Award for Attaining First Class Honours at the Nigerian Law School

ACTIVITIES

- Legal Aid Corp - Philanthropy and Advocacy
- TEDx Rayfield - Social Media Coordinator
- Children's Developmental Centre - Pro-bono Legal Advisory
- Script Writer and Voice-Over Director - Africa Magic Date Date My Family Nigeria, Season 2 (August 2020 - October 2020)
- Script Writer - Africa Magic Hangout (November 2020)

PERSONAL PROFILE

- Languages : English, French and Hausa
- Hobby : Reading, painting, writing and playing scrabble

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