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## EDUCATION & PROFESSIONAL QUALIFICATIONS

- 2020-2021 **Reading for the Qualified Lawyers Transfer Scheme** | London, UK
- 2019 – 2020 **Queen Mary University of London** | London, UK  
LLM (Banking & Finance Law) - Regulation of Financial Markets (Distinction), Corporate Finance Law (Merit), Derivatives in a Legal Context (High Merit) Sovereign Debt Restructuring (High Merit) Legal Aspects of Financing Development (High Merit) Banking & Fin-tech Law (High Merit)  
**Dissertation: "The regulatory framework of credit rating agencies in the US and the EU: An analysis of the liability regime." (Distinction).**
- 2015 **Nigerian Law School** | Lagos, Nigeria  
Admitted as a barrister and solicitor of the Federal Republic of Nigeria
- 2011 – 2014 **Aberystwyth University (Wales)** | Aberystwyth, Wales, UK  
LLB (Law)

## WORK HISTORY

- Oct 2020 - **Hamilton Capital Holding Ltd.** (contract) | **London, UK** | Legal & Compliance
- Jan 2021
- **Produced final drafts of company agreements with 3<sup>rd</sup> parties**, including services agreements, intercompany loan agreements, non-disclosure agreements.
  - **Advised the board on acquisition opportunities of key crypto – friendly banks in Switzerland**; produced preliminary drafts of negotiation terms and letters of intent, conducted negotiations, sat and advised during board meetings with target company and conducted preliminary due diligence.
  - **Produced the final drafts of key company and website policies** including cookie policy, accessibility policy, conflicts of interest policy and other business interest policy.
  - Advised the company on a variety of legal issues (regulatory, corporate finance, intellectual property) particularly with respect to the launch of an innovative fintech product.
  - Advised the company on employee status and relations; particularly with the effect of the change of immigration laws as a result of BREXIT.
- Oct 2016 **Perchstone & Graeys LP** | **Lagos, Nigeria** | Lawyer (Intermediate Senior Associate, *Corporate commercial*  
July 2019 *& banking and finance*)
- **Led sub-team of 4 lawyers on a N21 billion (\$16.2 million) bond issuance and securitisation programme** for CERPAC Receivables Funding SPV Plc (one of four successful securitisation transactions in Nigeria); produced initial draft of transaction documents (including Receivables Sales and Purchase Agreement, Account Bank Agreement and Legal Opinion)
  - **Brought new client (Farmcrowdy- a leading agricultural financing company in Nigeria) into the firm**; co-led Farmcrowdy's acquisition of a major agricultural company in Nigeria; led due diligence on the target company
  - **Managed sub team of 5 lawyers on a N1.121 Trillion (\$2.5 billion) promissory note issuance** for the Debt Management Office of Nigeria's debt restructuring programme; reviewed first draft of legal opinion, advised on regulatory approvals, drafted transaction documents, interfaced with the legacy debtors on behalf of the Debt Management Office.
  - **Appointed lead of startups team**– identified Small and Medium Enterprises (SMEs) in Nigeria with potential to disrupt their respective sectors, organized the startups legal clinic.
- Nov 2015 **ACAS-Law** | **Lagos, Nigeria** | Lawyer (Trainee Associate, *Corporate commercial & Litigation*)
- Oct 2016
- Shadowed associates in advising on multi-million dollar oil & gas transactions; assisted in legal due diligence and initial drafting of transaction documents

- Shadowed associates in highly contentious litigation, appearing in non- contentious cases and the drafting of skeletal court processes.

## LEADERSHIP & ACHIEVEMENTS

- 2018- 2019: Mentored 2 graduate students at the Nigerian Law School and 2 university students in the Legally Engaged Mentorship Programme (a mentoring programme for students connecting them with lawyers in the Nigerian and international legal space)
- 2016 - 2019: Co- founded and ran an enterprising food and beverage business; maintained a net profit margin of 25% over the period.
- 2018: Awarded runner up prize for employee of the year at Perchstone & Greays (chosen from over 40 employees)
- 2013-2014: Elected Vice President of the Aberystwyth University African Caribbean Society; led rejuvenation of the society which produced over a 100% increase in membership; secured sponsorship of over £2,000
- 2013 -2014: Elected the societies' events & integration officer of the Aberystwyth University Student Union.
- 2010 – 2011: Appointed environmental officer of the Thomas Adams College, introduced a new policy for waste disposal and recycling to ensure the college became more environment friendly.

## ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

**Languages:** English (Native) Yoruba (Professional working proficiency).

**Interests:** Development, Finance, Theatre, Art, Football,