

ABUKA & PARTNERS LEGAL PRACTITIONERS

"An incorporated professional Partnership, helping clients achieve their business objectives".

PRACTICE AREAS

We specialize in the following areas of practice to meet the varying demands of our highly valued clients which include:

CORPORATE & COMMERCIAL LAW

This group is being headed by Sunday Edward, Esq. with a range of services offered and includes:

Full Corporate and Commercial services from formation to winding up; including but not limited to due diligence searches, Corporate governance, Secretarial services, Debt recovery and debt management, insolvency, receivership and all matters relating to the application of the provision of the Companies and Allied Matters Act (CAMA) and other laws relating to companies and company administration in Nigeria.

Our main governing statutes constitute:

- The Common Law of England and doctrines of Equity
- Company and Allied Matters Act Cap C20 LFN 2004
- Companies Income Tax Act
- Central Bank of Nigeria Act 1991 Bank and Other Financial Institutions Act 1991 Property and Conveyancing Law
- Conveyancing Act 1881, Statute of Fraud 1677 Law Reform (Contracts) Act No.64, 1961, Land Use Act, 1978, Limitation Law.

FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS

This group is being headed by Patrick Abuka, Esq. with a range of services offered and includes:

Financial Institutions: Banks and banking institutions, including but not limited to primary mortgage institutions, insurance companies, insurance broking companies, etc. from formation CBN approval

incorporation, Licensing, operation, governance, directors' Code of conducts, Statutory and regulatory compliance, Statutory Searches and due diligence, Distress and Debt Collection, Insolvency, Receivership, Winding up, Secured Credit Transactions

Lending; Hypothecation, Mortgages, Charges, Consortium Lending, Business recovery, Project Financing, Equipment Leasing

Taxation (Corporate, VAT, Education State Taxes & Assessments), Capital Markets (Public offers, SEC & NSE Compliance, Stock broking Statutory Regulation and Compliance)

Our main governing statutes constitute:

- Nigerian Council of Registered & Insurance Brokers Act Investment & Securities Act 1999
- Securities & Exchange Commission (SEC) Rules
- Statement of Accounting Standards 1-21, Value Added Tax Act, Economic & Financial Crimes Commission Act 2002
- Guidelines for Nigeria Banking Sector
- Companies Income Tax Act
- Income Tax Management Act
- Education Tax

INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY

This group is being headed by Peter Oyinkenimiemi Affen, Esq. with a range of services offered and includes:

- Trademarks Agents and Attorneys
- Representing owners of trademarks, copyrights, patents and designs around the world.
- Apply for registration defend and oppose application and registration of intellectual property rights from commencement to the issue of Certificate of registration and applying for renewals.

Our main governing statutes constitute:

- World Trade Organisation (WTO) Agreement
- World Intellectual Property Organisation (WIPO) Agreement
- Trade Marks Act, Cap 436, Law of the Federation of Nigeria (LFN)
- Patents and Designs Act Cap 344, LFN, National Office for Technology Acquisition and Promotion (NOTAP) Act, Cap 268, LFN.

NATURAL RESOURCES

This group is being headed by Nathaniel Uchegbue, Esq. with a range of services offered and includes:

- Acreage bidding / licensing
- Negotiating and drafting oil and gas related contracts (especially contracts used in the development of petroleum resources and services, sale and lifting of oil, sale and transportation of natural gas, joint operating agreements - JOAs) Energy related environmental matters, energy project finance and taxation, dispute resolution, procurement of approval for the construction and operation of petrol stations, general legal advice on oil, gas and energy matters.

Our main governing statutes constitute:

- Petroleum Act Cap P10 LFN 2004

- Petroleum Profits Tax Cap P13 LFN 2004
- Deep offshore and Inland Basin Production Sharing Contracts Act Cap D3 LFN 2004
- Oil Pipelines Act Cap 07 LFN 2004
- Oil Terminal Dues Act Cap 08 LFN 2004
- Oil in Navigational Waters Act Cap 06 LFN 2004
- Oil and Gas Export Free Zone Cap 05 LFN 2004
- Petroleum Production and Distribution (Anti-Sabotage) Act Cap P12 LFN 2004
- Off-Shore Oil Revenues (Registration of Grants) Act Cap 04 LFN 2004
- Associated Gas Re-injection Act Cap A25 LFN 2004
- Companies and Allied Matters Act Cap C20 LFN 2004
- Nigerian Enterprises Promotion Act Cap N117 LFN 2004
- Territorial Waters Act Cap T5 LFN 2005
- Environmental Impact Assessment Act Cap E21 LFN 2004
- Land Use Act Cap L5 LFN 2004
- Constitution of the Federal Republic of Nigeria 1999

ADMIRALTY & MARITIME LAW

This group is being headed by Queen Uchegbue, Esq. with a range of services offered and includes:

- Admiralty Practice
- Ship Arrest & Detention
- Ship Search
- Ship Registration

- Negotiating Private Financing for Acquisition of Vessel for Indigenous Shipping Companies
- Drafting & Vetting Maritime Related Contracts
- Maritime Consultancy Services

Our main governing statutes constitute:

- Merchants Shipping Act (1962) Cap M11 Laws of the Federation 2004
- Coastal and Inland Shipping (Cabotage) Act 2003
- The Nigerian Maritime Labour Act 2003
- Territorial Waters Act (1967) Cap T5 LFN 2004
- Exclusive Economic Zone (1978) Cap E17 LFN 2004
- National Inland Waterways Authority Act (1996) Cap N47 LFN 2004
- Sea Fisheries Act (1992) Cap S4 LFN 2004
- Interpretation Act (1964) Cap I23 LFN 2004
- Piers Act (1917) Cap P LFN 2004

LITIGATION & ARBITRATION

This group is being headed by Moses Ogunmola, Esq. with a range of services offered and includes:

- Facilitating debt recovery through public law system
- Effecting the settlement of commercial and non-commercial disputes through litigation or Alternative Dispute Resolution Techniques; Drafting, perusing, vetting and perfecting Agreements, Mortgages, Wills, Arbitration Clauses etc.
- Perfection and registration of titles including the procurement of Governor's consent to all forms of dealings on land

- Carrying out probate functions, like obtaining Letters of Administration of the Estate of a deceased person
- Drafting of court processes in preparation for court actions; Instituting, prosecuting and defending clients' cases from the lowest court to the Supreme Court
- Supervising the execution of the judgments of courts and managing clients' properties
- Facilitating debt recovery and the settlement of disputes through private law system of Alternative Resolution (A.D.R.) that is, Arbitration, Mediation and Conciliation

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