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- Commercial Litigation
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Education

LL.B (Hons) University of Ife 1974

LL.M Harvard Law School, Boston, Massachusetts, USA 1977

Bar Admissions

Barrister and Solicitor, Nigeria 1975

Solicitor, England and Wales 2004

Profile

Appointed Notary Public in 1986 and elevated to the rank of Senior Advocate of Nigeria (SAN) in 2001 [only the 5th woman to be so elevated].

Member of the Body of Benchers since 1999 and elevated to Life Bencher in March 2007.

Nominated and voted as the Most Outstanding Female Legal Practitioner of the Year 2007 by Financial Standard Newspaper and Women Entrepreneurs African Network

As a litigator, she represents clients regularly before the Nigerian courts at all levels, and has provided expert opinions and appeared as an expert witness on Nigerian law issues before the courts of England, United States and Turkey.

In the field of arbitration, she represents both local and transnational parties as counsel in both domestic and international arbitration proceedings within Nigeria and abroad and has acted in numerous disputes as either - party appointed Arbitrator, Sole Arbitrator and Presiding Arbitrator. She is a member of the LCIA African Users Council and the Nigeria's ICC National Committee; and is listed on the ICDR Energy Arbitrators List, the panel of neutrals of the Lagos Regional Centre for International Commercial Arbitration and the Nigerian Communications Commission. She lectures regularly on arbitration law and procedure and has been approved by the Chartered Institute of Arbitrators as a Tutor at the Associate to Fellowship Course level.

Professional Associations

1st Vice President (2002/04) of the Nigerian Bar Association. Immediate Past President and member of Council of the Nigerian Bar Association's Section on Legal Practice. She is the current Chairman of the Chartered Institute of Arbitrators [Nigeria Branch]. She was a member of the Editorial Committee that produced the Companies and Allied Matters Act in 1990; Member of the Lagos State Government Committee appointed to review and draft new High Court Civil Procedure Rules 2004; Life member of the International Federation of Women Lawyers (FIDA); Member of the International Bar Association's Legal Practice Division (Arbitration and Business Organisations Committees) and its Professional and Public Interest Law Division (Law Firm Management Committee. She is an Officer of the Bar Issues Commission of the IBA and of its Policy Committee and a member of the Advisory Board of its African Regional Forum.