

CATHERINE NJERI IRUMBI

LEGAL PROFESSIONAL (LL.M, PG Dip Law)

PROFESSIONAL PROFILE

Action-focused Legal Practitioner with over 11 years of successful legal practice, research, and advisory. Complementary experience teaching, marking and building the capacity of young legal minds at the University. Expertise in Public Law, International Business Law, International Trade Law, Dispute Resolution, Corporate Governance Law among others. Passionate about laws governing the national and international market and the need for reforms aimed at increasing trade. Adept at building and managing effective long-term relationships with multiple internal and external stakeholders. As an effective and patient communicator, I am able to motivate others toward the accomplishment of collaborative goals.

KEY SKILLS AND COMPETENCIES

Technical: Legal Practice Management | International Business Law | International Competition Law & Practice | International Trade Law | International Law of Corporate Crime | International Corporate Governance Law | Advocacy & Representation | Litigation | Alternative Dispute Resolution | Legal Opinions | Legal Advisory | Legal Writing & Drafting | Project and Program Design & Management | Monitoring & Evaluation | Civic Education | Professional Ethics |

Professional: Curriculum Development & Design | Marking & Providing Effective Feedback | Assessment Moderation | Test Development | Networking & Collaboration | Conflict Management | Training & Facilitation | Capacity Building | Stakeholder Engagement | Team Management & Leadership | Proposal Development, Report Writing & Presentation | Analytical & Problem-Solving Skills | Records Management | Excellent Communication & Interpersonal Skills | Computer Proficiency |

Professional Membership: Law Society Of Kenya, Practicing Number: P.105/9668/12

PROFESSIONAL WORK EXPERIENCE

Chairperson - Departmental Programme Development Committee

February 2024 – Present

Kenyatta University School of Law

Key Responsibilities:

- Reviewing and updating academic programs in the Department of Public Law in line with the Commission for University Education guidelines.
- Engaging with relevant stakeholders for purposes of inclusivity in the programme development process.
- Representing the Department of Public Law at the University level.

Chairperson- Department of Public Law**October 2022- December 2022***Kenyatta University School of Law***Key Responsibilities:**

- In charge of all administrative duties as well as academic programmes within the department
- Coordinating academic programmes with other departments
- Advising and liaising with the Deputy executive Dean, School of Law, Arts and Sciences on emerging needs at the departmental level

School E- Learning Coordinator**September 2022- December 2022***Kenyatta University School of Law***Key Responsibilities:**

- Facilitate Training of all teaching staff on e-learning pedagogy in consultation with the Dean, Digital School and the Director, Teacher Professional Development & excellence
- Identify required training needs for new and continuing students on e- learning pedagogy
- Content development of all School of Law e-learning units
- Coordinate and give reports of e-learning facilitation by lecturers within School of Law in consultation with the Dean, Digital School

Tutorial Fellow**June 2018 – Present***Kenyatta University School of Law***Key Responsibilities:**

- Lecturing in the Department of Public Law.
- Involved in curriculum development, developing course content/course outline for lectures in International Trade and Investment Law, International Dispute Resolution, Labor Law, Constitutional law and Social Foundations of Law.
- Coordinating judicial attachment placements.
- Reviewing Judicial Attachment materials and supervise dissertation projects
- Participating in the mentorship programme for students at the university

Part-time Lecturer**February 2018 – May 2019***Catholic University of Eastern Africa***Key Responsibilities:**

- Preparation for lectures in Insurance Law, Equity and Law of Trust.
- Offering Lecturer in Insurance Law, Equity and Law of Trust

- Developed course content as well as the course outlines for the lectures offered.
- Setting, marking and moderating examination

Consultant

September 2015 – December 2017

Gems Cambridge International School

Notable Accomplishments:

- Successfully developed the first law curriculum to be adopted by the institution in alignment with the British Curriculum and GEMS Study Policy.
- Developed the note work and course content for the classes that I offered in various legal fields such as Contract Law, Social Foundations of Law and Tort Law.
- Accompanied students for judicial visits to Milimani Law Courts where they got to interact with the judicial officers as well attend court sessions as well as organized internal and external moot courts with other Kenya International schools offering Law as a unit.
- Attended law inset conference where I was tasked with discussing course content and how effectively schools can inculcate practical /student-based learning.

Part-time Lecturer

September 2014 – December 2015

Kenyatta University School of Law

Key Responsibilities:

- Preparation of lecturers in various legal fields including international dispute resolution, constitutional law, land law, criminal law and international corporate governance.
- Initiated and supervised student projects including the Kenyan moot competition for law students across Kenya.
- Marking and Remarking assessments.

Pupil

January – July 2012

P.M. Wamae & Co. Advocates

Key Responsibilities:

- Analyzed numerous litigation cases and writing legal opinions on cases I attended in court.
- Supported the advocates in dealing with the numerous questions from clients.
- Drafted various instruments based on client's instructions which enhanced my attention to detail as well as IT skills.
- Carried out research on titles and also registration of titles.
- Filing documents at the Court's registries and followed up on court orders.
- Managed supplies by ensuring that office stationeries were available for use within the office.

Other Work Experiences:

- Legal Intern, Robson Harris & Co. Advocates | January 2012 – July 2012
- Data Entry Intern, Eastern Bypass Estate Limited | October – November 2010
- Legal Intern, Nairobi Children's Court | April – May 2010
- Judicial Attaché, High Court | November – December 2009

EDUCATION

Ongoing: PhD, Martin- Luther-University Halle- Wittenberg.

2014: Global Leadership Programme, Coventry University

2014: LLM in International Business Law, Coventry University

2011: Post Graduate Diploma (Advocates Training Program), Kenya School of Law

2010: Bachelor of Law (LL. B), University of Nairobi

Published Works: 'A critical analysis of the function of free trade zones in attracting foreign investment and potential legal problems presented by such free trade zones.' – Final Project for LLM.

LEADERSHIP & PERSONAL INTERESTS

Volunteer Engagements: Kenyatta University School of Law staff representative at the Kenyatta University School of Law Welfare Committee.

Team Leader for volunteers at the International Student (Non-EU) Careers Fair, Birmingham for Career Interactive Ltd

Personal Interests: Traveling, Photography, Community service

REFEREES AVAILABLE ON REQUEST
