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**Bar Admission**

- 1) Called to the Bar of England and Wales (1996) Hon. Society of Lincoln's Inn.
- 2) Appointed Notary Public for Nigeria (1991).
- 3) Called to the Nigerian Bar (1982).

**Relevant Panel Listing on some UK Arbitration/ADR Panels**

- 1) The Panel of Chartered Arbitrators of the Chartered Institute of Arbitrators UK.
- 2) The Panel of Arbitrators of ARIAS (UK) A.I.D.A. Re-insurance and Insurance Arbitration Society of the UK. ([www.arias.org.uk](http://www.arias.org.uk)).
- 3) The Appeals Tribunal Panel of the Institute & Faculty of Actuaries (IFoA).

**Relevant Panel Listing on Some IP/ADR/Arbitration Panels.**

- 1) The Panel of Neutrals of the Arbitration & Mediation Centre of WIPO in Geneva.
- 2) The Domain Name Panel of WIPO in Geneva
- 3) The Domain Name Panel of the Asian Domain Name Dispute Resolution Centre.
- 4) The Domain Name Panel of the Hong Kong International Arbitration Centre.
- 5) The Domain Name Panel of the Kuala Lumpur Regional Arbitration Centre.
- 6) The ICC International Centre for ADR Panel of Expert Determiners on the ICANN New gTLD Dispute Resolution Procedure.
- 7) The Panel of Arbitrators of the Court of Arbitration for Sports (CAS) in Lausanne.

**Other Relevant Memberships.**

- 1) Member, London Court of International Arbitration (LCIA).
- 2) Councillor of the African Users Council of the London Court of International Arbitration.
- 3) Member, International Chamber of Commerce (ICC) (UK) (Arbitration & Intellectual Property Expert Group).
- 4) Member Intellectual Property Bar Association (IPBAR).

- 5) Member International Bar Association (Arbitration Committee).
- 6) Member ICC Institute of World Business Law.
- 7) Member International Council for Commercial Arbitration (ICCA).
- 8) Member Working Group for WIPO Film and Media Expedited Arbitration and Mediation Scheme.
- 9) Member British Literary & Artistic Copyright Association (BLACA).

### **Arbitration & ADR Experience.**

Ike has been nominated and or appointed to act as sole arbitrator, co-arbitrator, adjudicator, chairman of tribunal, chairman of appeal panel, single panellist, co-panellist, mediator, conciliator, expert determiner, **counsel** or expert on Nigerian Oil and Gas Law, in a substantial number of arbitral and other adr proceedings under the Rules of the ICC, LMAA, LCIA, UNCITRAL, ADNDRC, HKIAC, KLRCA, WIPO, CPR, DIAC, CIARB, IDRS and AD-HOC etc., in relation to disputes and or disputants from China, Canada, France, Hong Kong, Indonesia, Iraq, Kenya, Mauritius, Nigeria, Switzerland, the U.A.E., the U.K., the U.S.A. and Zambia. The cases involve a large variety of disputes arising from specialisms including international trade, commodities, carriage of goods, passengers and baggage by sea, cruise vessels, Yacht Design, general commercial, state contracts, financial transactions, banking, general insurance, investments, oil and gas, energy, oil pipeline maintenance contracts, real estate, mining contracts, share purchase agreements, property, real estate, investment, human rights, intellectual property, domain names, royalties, telecommunications, marine insurance, maritime, entertainment and sports.

### **Some Examples of International Arbitral Appointments in the U.K. and U.A.E.**

- 1) Appointed Sole Arbitrator in August 2010 to determine breach of contract dispute arising from failure of property developer to develop and deliver two individual office tower units in central business district in the U.A.E to purchaser as provided for in purchase and sale agreements.
- 2) Appointed Sole Arbitrator in September 2010 to determine breach of contract claim arising from failure of very prominent property developer in U.A.E to develop and deliver residential units in the U.A.E. as agreed and in line with purchase and sale agreements.
- 3) Appointed Chairman of three member Football Appeal Panel in 2010 to determine appeal against sanctions imposed by Football Disciplinary Commission on English League football club in London for fielding ineligible football players.
- 4) Appointed Sole Adjudicator in August 2011 to adjudicate on dispute arising from breach of contract claim for damages against well-known UK based home builder quoted on the London Stock Exchange for negligent and fraudulent

- misrepresentation, diminution in value, loss of amenity and costs filed by U.K. based entity.
- 5) Appointed Co-Arbitrator by International appointing institution in late 2011 to arbitrate on dispute arising from breach of international trade agreements on the transshipment of container loads of commodities from the South East Asia through intermediaries in the U.A.E and to European seaports.
  - 6) Appointed Co-Arbitrator by international arbitral institution in early 2012 to arbitrate on dispute arising from breach of demurrage provisions in a charter party agreement for vessels hired for the transshipment of oil cargo from Canadian seaports to Nigerian seaports.
  - 7) Appointed Chairman of Arbitral Panel in January 2015 by international arbitral institution to resolve investment dispute relating to development projects in African countries involving a number of African based commercial entities.

#### **Arbitration Training, Teaching Experience and Former Positions.**

- 1) Approved Tutor and Trainer in both domestic and International Arbitration for the Chartered Institute of Arbitrators since 2004
- 2) Appointed Visiting Professor in International Commercial Arbitration at the Faculty of Law of the Karoli Gaspar University in Budapest, Hungary 14/04/2013 - 28/04/2013.
- 3) Recently appointed Visiting Professor in International Commercial Arbitration on the 2013 Senior Lawyers Programme of the Centre for International Legal Studies in Salzburg, Austria.
- 4) Recently appointed Senior Teaching Fellow & Visiting Lecturer in International Trade Law, Marine Insurance and Maritime Arbitration modules of the LLM programme of the School of African & Oriental Studies (SOAS), University of London.
- 5) Recently appointed in 2015 as Panel Convenor and Member of the Peer Review Committee of the Chartered Institute of Arbitrators in London.
- 6) Former Visiting Lecturer on the Evidence & Arbitral Awards Module of the LLM Degree in Dispute Resolution at Kingston University, England- 2008.
- 8) Former member of the executive committee of the London branch of the Chartered Institute of Arbitrators in London from 2004 to 2014.
- 9) Former part-time lecturer in Marine Insurance Law on the University of London External LLM programme 1999-2006.

10) Former Member, Vice-Chairman and Chairman of Disciplinary Panel of Chartered Institute of Management Accountants (CIMA) in London (2007-April 2012).

11) Former Panel Convenor and Senior Adjudicator of the National Building Council (NHBC) Adjudication Scheme February 2010 until December 2011 in London.

12) Former Panel Convenor and Senior Adjudicator of the Tenancy Deposit Protection Adjudication Panel May 2007 to December 2011 in London.

13) Former member and then Chairman of the defunct ADR Committee of the Chartered Institute of Arbitrators, London. (2001 – 2005).

14) Former Chairman of the Seminar Committee of the Nigerian Bar Association (NBA) Ibadan branch (1992-1994).

15) At various times appointed course director, assessor, tutor, and lead trainer for various arbitral and adr institutions such as the Asian Domain Name Resolution Centre (ADNRC), Hong Kong, the Chartered Institute of Arbitrators (CIARB), London, and the World Intellectual Property Organisation (WIPO) Geneva, in the Republic of Ireland, Bahamas, Botswana, Greece, Kenya, Malaysia, Mauritius, South Korea, Qatar, the U.A.E. and the UK.

#### **Some Articles and Publications.**

- 1) African States and the Use of Investment Treaty Arbitration being a paper delivered at the International Centre for Arbitration and Mediation Abuja (ICAMA) Arbitration Round Table Conference on 26 May 2014.
- 2) Case note on WIPO Administrative Panel Decision on Domain Name dispute: LCIA, ICC, SIAC, SCC, & (AAA/ICDR) -v- ICSID Lawyers, LLC Case No. D2013- 0685. Published in the 2014 Comparative Law Year book of International Business.
- 3) Handbook on Arbitration in Africa – A Practitioner’s Guide – Overview for the Gambia; published by Kluwer Law International in 2013.
- 4) Most recent trends in the interpretation of Investor Rights under Bilateral Investment Treaties (BITS) – Focus on expropriation of assets and African States being a paper delivered at the LCIA Symposium held in Lagos on 02 February 2013.
- 5) The Requirements necessary to Establish Legal Rights Objection, Limited Public Interest Objection, and Community Objection under the new gTLD Regime being papers delivered in Seoul and Hong Kong in 2011 and 2012 respectively at the behest of ADNDR Hong Kong.

- 6) The Role of Contractual Dispute Resolution Clauses in protecting Telecommunications Investments- Africa and beyond. (November 2012) unpublished.
- 7) Thoughts on Practical Guidance in Conducting an Arbitration – Avoiding Delays and How to do things better. Focus on African States. Being a paper delivered at the LCIA Symposium held in Accra on 05 November 2010.
- 8) The Validity of Customary Law Arbitration in Nigeria published by the Centre for International Law Studies in the 1996 Comparative Law Yearbook of International Business.
- 9) The Duties and Privileges of a Barrister- At- Law in present day Nigeria; being a 16 page lecture delivered at the Faculty of Law of the University of Ibadan, Nigeria in April 1992.
- 10) Proof of Title to Land in Nigeria. (1981).

### **Some Reported Cases**

- 1) Mauri Garments Trading and Marketing Ltd -v- The Mauritius Commercial Bank [2015] UKPC 14.
- 2) Joshua -v- London Borough of Southwark [2014] UKUT LC 511.
- 3) Bertolin -v- Thornbury Estates Ltd [2007] EWCA Civ 25.
- 4) SO (Nigeria) -v- Secretary of State for the Home Department [2007] EWCA Civ 76.
- 5) Nyahi -v- Secretary of State for the Home Department [2003] EWHC 484 Admin.

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