

## KEY QUALIFICATIONS

LLM (Master of Laws) in International and Comparative Disability Law and Policy, National University of Ireland, Galway (2011)

LLB (Bachelor of Laws), from the University of Zambia, Lusaka, Zambia (2002)

Zambia Institute of Advance Legal Education (ZIALE). Admitted to practice as an Advocate for the High Court for Zambia (2004)

Completed an Accelerated Route to Fellowship course with the Chartered Institute of Arbitrators (CI Arb) in November 2019 at the International Centre for Arbitration and Mediation Abuja, Nigeria.

Completed the Award Writing course with the Chartered Institute of Arbitrators (CI Arb) in August 2020.

A member of the Chartered Institute of Arbitrators, Zambia, have experience in alternative dispute resolution (ADR).

Legal practitioner (over **16 years practice** at the Zambian Bar) with vast experience in constitutional and administrative law, human rights, public procurement, commercial, criminal and intellectual property law, including litigation in matters involving the said areas of law.

## KEY EXPERIENCE

As Attorney General of the Republic of Zambia, since April 2015 to-date, I am the Chief Legal Advisor to the Government and a member of the Cabinet.

In this capacity, I Chair the Anti-Money Laundering Authority which provides policy direction and advises on measures required to prevent and detect money laundering and terrorist financing in Zambia.

As the leader of the Zambian Bar, I Chair the Zambia Institute of Advance Legal Education Council, and also the Disciplinary Committee of the Law Association of Zambia.

Under the Attorney General's Chambers, I oversee and supervise three departments, namely:

- Legislative Drafting and Law Revision – drafting Government Bills and statutory instruments;
- Civil Litigation and Debt Collection – representing the Government in civil proceedings to which Government is a party; and,
- International Law and Agreements – giving advice on agreements, treaties or conventions to which Government intends to become party or in respect of which the Government has an interest before they are signed.

As a former partner at Ellis & Co., I have experience in office administration and people management.

Former Honorary Secretary of the Law Association of Zambia (LAZ) Council: I have taken a leadership role in, among others, commercial transactions, Continuous Professional Development, human rights, and education in the legal profession.

Former Member of the Multi Stakeholders' Group (MSG) which administered the pilot phase of the Construction Sector Transparency Initiative (CoST) in Zambia: I have considerable knowledge in the construction industry and in disclosure requirements required to enhance transparency.

Former Board member at Zambia Revenue Authority Governing Board, which administers and oversees the tax regime in Zambia.

Participated in the International Summer School (from 6<sup>th</sup> June to 11<sup>th</sup> June 2011) on the United Nations Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities – From Paper Rules to Action, where I gained practical skills in applying the Convention and learnt how to draft shadow reports. I was also awarded the Certificate of Excellence on account of being a member of the best delegation at the International Summer School 2011.

Computer literate (Microsoft word, Excel and Power Point).

## **EDUCATION**

**National University of Ireland, Galway:** Masters of Laws (LLM) Degree (2012). Specialised in international and comparative human and disability rights.

**University of Zambia:** Bachelor of Laws (LLB) Degree (2002). Studied among others contract law, commercial law, international trade law, sociology, psychology, philosophy, political science and public administration.

**Zambia Institute of Advance Legal Education:** Law Practicing Certificate. An Advocate for the High Court for Zambia (January 2003) and all courts in Zambia, including the Supreme Court, Constitutional Court and the Court of Appeal. Course work in among others, accounting, commercial law and procedure, professional ethics, conveyancing, High Court and Subordinate Court procedure, company law and procedure, divorce and matrimonial law and evidence law.

**Chartered Institute of Arbitrators:** International Entry Course. (October, 2007). Areas of study included mediation, arbitration, negotiations and other forms of Alternative Dispute Resolution (ADR).

**Chartered Institute of Arbitrators:** Accelerated Route to Fellowship (February 2020). Demonstrated outstanding commitment to achieving the highest levels of knowledge, skills and behavior in international arbitration and dispute resolution.

**Chartered Institute of Arbitrators:** Award Writing (December 2020). Demonstrated key skills needed to understand the technical requirements of arbitration award writing.

**Kabulonga Boys Secondary School:** GCE Ordinary Level School Certificate (1994).

**Regiment Primary School:** Primary School Certificate (1989).

## **PROFESSIONAL AND RESEARCH EXPERIENCE**

Appeared before the International Court of Justice (The Hague) and made oral submissions in the matter between the Republic of Mauritius vs the United Kingdom concerning the decolonization of the Chagos Archipelago Islands.

One of the experts on the promulgation of the text and content of the proposed draft Protocol to the African Charter on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities. Attended the Experts Roundtable meeting on the proposed draft Protocol to the African Charter on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities at the University of Pretoria in the Republic of South Africa from 21<sup>st</sup> to 22<sup>nd</sup> August 2014.

Involved in the promulgation of the *Zambian Mental Health Bill 2014* as an expert and key resource person.

Contributed a Chapter in the inaugural *African Yearbook for Disability Rights*, cited as (2013) 1 ADRY, published by Pretoria University Law Press (2013).

Co-authored a Country Report on Zambia in the *African Disability Rights Yearbook*, cited as (2014) 2 ADRY, published by the Pretoria University Law Press (2014).

Worked in London with Inter-rights, an international Non-Governmental Organization concerned with the promotion and protection of human rights.

Former Lecturer in Constitutional law at the University of Lusaka on a part time basis.

Former Legal Advisor, Disability Rights Watch, a human rights and disability rights civil society organization dealing with the promotion of the rights of persons with disabilities.

Former Convener of the Legal Aid Committee of the Law Association of Zambia. Was the key collaborator for the Governance and Justice Group for the Legal Aid Survey: Zambia.

Former Convener of the Legal Aid Committee of the Law Association of Zambia. Was the Chairperson of the Reference Group involved in the Access to Justice Situation Analysis.

As part of my LLM in International and Comparative disability law and Policy, I did research for my dissertation entitled "The Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities: Toward and effective litigation Strategy in Africa" which involved carrying out research in Zambia and a number of countries in Africa.

As part of my LLM International and Comparative Disability Law and Policy, I studied 2 modules on Advanced Legal Research and Method, and also introduction to Qualitative and Quantitative Research Methods.

Presented a paper to the Zambia Medical Association Public Discussion on the "Law on the Health of the Republican President" held at Pamodzi Hotel, Lusaka (December 2014).

## **OTHER INFORMATION**

2006–2013: Founder and Chairperson of Alive and Kicking Zambia Limited, a charitable company limited by guarantee concerned with the fight against HIV/AIDS, malaria and other viruses through the manufacturing of hand-made leather football, netball and rugby balls.

2008–2010: Board Member (Trustee), Zambia Institute of Marketing Board of Trustees.

2014 to date: Church Administrator, Grace Ministries Mission International, Achievers Church Mission Centre.

## **REFERENCES**

- **Professor Gerard Quinn**, United Nations Special Rapporteur on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities; [REDACTED]
- **Rt. Hon. Baroness Patricia Scotland QC**, Commonwealth Secretary General; [REDACTED]
- **Professor Kenneth K. Mwenda**, Program Manager and Executive Head, World Bank Voice Secondment Programme (VSP), Corporate Secretariat Vice Presidency; [REDACTED]

## **LANGUAGES**

English, Lozi and Nyanja