VANESSA CHIEMERIE KELECHI (AcArb)

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CAREER OBJECTIVES

Vanessa Kelechi is a team-oriented lawyer with a strong foundational background and senior-level experience in corporate and finance law, regulatory compliance, and corporate governance. She aligns with institutions in the payment services industry that offer a structured environment for professional growth and where her potentials can be fully refined.

EDUCATION/PROFESSIONAL QUALIFICATION

NIGERIA LAW SCHOOL BL (second class upper)	2022
UNIVERSITY OF BENIN Bachelor of Laws (LLB)	2021
NIGERIA INSTITUTE OF CHARTERED ARBITRATORS Chartered Arbitrator (Associate)	2021
DIGIHUB TECHNOLOGY INSTITUTE FrontEnd Software Development	2021
CLINTON GLOBAL UNIVERSITY, SCOTLAND Criminal Justice, Advocacy and Educational Access	2020

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<u>HONORS AND AWARDS</u>: Tony Elemelu IWD Mentee 2022, Best Student/First place across Nigeria in the 2021 Associate Training Examination by the Nigeria Institute of Chartered Arbitrators, Winner of The Judge Ajibola (Former Judge of the International Court of Justice) Prize for International Arbitration, Representing Counsel- Manfred Lach Space Law South Africa 2020 and Representing Counsel- Nelson Mandela Human Right Moot South Africa 2020.

RELEVANT COURSEWORK: Legal studies, Compliance, Arbitral proceedings, Media Entrepreneurship, corporate communications, Analytical Writing, Advocacy, Social Enterprise and Legal drafting.

<u>PUBLIC LEADERSHIP EXPERIENCES AND QUALIFICATIONS</u>: Speaker- African NXT International Conference ("Engaging Young People in Open Government"), Keynote Speaker-Tryve Technologies Conference.

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

- **BLUEBULB FINANCIALS LIMITED-** Legal Counsel (May 2023- Till Now)
- BLACKCOD GROUP [Parent Company to Dealmakers BDC, Bluebulb Financials, Chrisborough Solutions, Rabafast, Buyletlive, BlackCod Asset Management, Dynasty MFB, CodOil, and Zidakredit- Group Legal Counsel & Group Company Secretary (September 2023-Till Now)
- INFUSION LAWYERS- Associate (February 2023- December 2023)
- AUTO GIRL- Executive Head of Corporate Partnerships (August 2022- Till Now as an External Consultant)
- **AFRICAN BAR ASSOCIATION-** Member of the Secretariat Committee (September 2020).
- INTERNATIONAL BAR ASSOCIATION MENTORSHIP Facilitator (May2020).
- **CO-DEVELOPER (FrontEnd)-** Kivi Food App and Website.
- DOA LAW FIRM- Legal Extern (Lekki, Lagos State, April 2022-May 2022).
- NATIONAL INDUSTRIAL COURT- Legal Extern (Ikoyi, Lagos State, March 2022-April 2022).
- **OXFORD HOLDINGS-** Corporate Communications (December 2021-August 2022).
- NIGERIA BAR ASSOCIATION SECTION ON BUSINESS LAW- Club Chapter Coordinator (November 2019- 2021).
- ALEGEH AND CO (SAN)- Paralegal (Lagos State, December 2018 January 2019).
- AFRICA MODEL UNITED NATIONS 2020- General Assembly Rapporteur (July2020).
- THE LEGAL WATCHMEN- Legal Writer (Edo State, February 2016- October 2020).

PERSONAL PROFILE:

LANGUAGE: English (Fluent), Igbo (Basic Proficiency) and Pidgin English.

SKILLS: Legal support, Corporate Communications, Product and Project Management, Event hosting, Legal drafting, Marketing, Networking, Event planning, Talent Management, Public Speaking Skills, Community Development, Effective Writing and Communication Skills, Organizational skills, Strong Research and Analytical Skills, Microsoft Office Package, Proficient Interpersonal Skills, Design Thinking, Excellent Leadership Skills, Business Support and Start-Up Development.

PUBLICATIONS:

- Recapitalization Waves: A Risky Trajectory for Future Mergers and Acquisitions in Nigeria's Banking Sector- https://lnkd.in/dZacGWkB
- ANALYSING THE NUANCES OF THE CCT v CJN: A CASE OF FIDELITY TO THE RULE OF LAW OR A DISPLAY OF POLITICAL CORRECTNESS?

INTERESTS

 Fintechs, capital markets, news, media, politics, international policies, entrepreneurship, investments, fashion, start-ups, events, traveling and Networking.

REFEREES

Available upon request.