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The SADCLA is a voluntary association made up of law societies, bar associations and individual lawyers from the 15 member Southern African region. It is the only organization that effectively brings together lawyers from the sub Region. As such, it is an authoritative and representative voice of the collective legal profession in Southern Africa.

The organization was formed in 1999 at an inaugural meeting that was held by SADC regional lawyers in Maputo, Mozambique. At its formation, the headquarters of the Association was located in South Africa and hosted by the Law Society of South Africa. In 2003, the office relocated to Botswana and was registered in that country under the Societies Act in April of 2003. The office moved back to South Africa in 2011 and was registered as a non profit company in terms of the South African Companies Act in July of 2012.

Since its formation, the organization has been involved in numerous activities at the regional and international levels to strengthen, defend and advance the rule of law in the SADC region and beyond.

VALUES AND PRINCIPLES

In executing its duties, SADCLA is guided by the following values and principles articulated in its founding preamble, as follows:

- Mutual interaction with the Bar Associations, Law Societies and their respective members within the Region.
- Upholding and maintaining respect for the Rule of Law and fundamental liberties.
- Promoting the respect for human rights, especially the rights of women, people with disabilities and children.

SPEAKERS



HER HONOUR MRS. W.K. MUTALE-NALUMANGO

VICE PRESIDENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF ZAMBIA

Mrs Nalumango is decisive, concise and leadership is her terrain. From her days as a teacher, she was an active unionist and founding member of Secondary School Teachers' Union (SESTUZ). During her two terms of office as MP, Kaputa transformed from one of the poorest regions in Zambia to a district with standard social services, a functional communication grid and Kaputa District Hospital was constructed. Thereafter, Mrs Nalumango was elected as the Deputy Speaker of the National Assembly and later appointed as Minister of Labour and Social Security before she transitioned to the Minister of Information and Broadcasting Services position that would earn her place as Chief Government Spokesperson.

In 2013, Mrs Mutale Nalumango was drawn to the UPND manifesto and made her move from MMD. She was appointed Vice President of UPND in 2021 after serving as National Chairlady since 2013. Upon becoming Vice President-elect, Mrs Nalumango expressed her gratitude to President Hichilema for showing confidence in her by choosing her as his running mate in the 2021 Presidential election. Contrary to assertions that politics in Africa is about self-aggrandisement, Mrs Nalumango expressed her desire for a new kind of leadership that adheres to the rule of law and tenets of good governance.



MATILDA CHILESHE KAOMA

VICE PRESIDENT: LAW ASSOCIATION OF ZAMBIA

Matilda Chileshe Kaoma is the Vice President of the Law Association of Zambia (LAZ). She holds a Bachelor of Laws from the University of Zambia and a Master of Laws from the University of South Wales. With fourteen years of legal practice at KMG Chisanga Advocates, she also manages and administers the firm.

A member of LAZ since 2012, Matilda has served on the Legal Aid and HIV/AIDS Committees and is currently the Honorary Secretary. She was appointed to the Survey Control Board in May 2017. Matilda is on the Board of the Patricia Jere Cancer Foundation, the Securities and Exchange Commission of Zambia Risk and Audit Committee (until 2024), the Risk and Audit Committee of the Ministry of Health, and is the Vice Chairperson of the Lands Tribunal in Zambia. Her expertise spans civil litigation, commercial dispute resolution, company law, family law, labor and employment disputes, land matters, and conveyancing.



ABIGAIL NOKO

OHCHR REGIONAL REPRESENTATIVE

Abigail Noko is the Regional Representative of the Regional Office of OHCHR in Southern Africa. She has worked at OHCHR for more than 20 years in various capacities. Prior to her current posting, she oversaw OHCHR's work from headquarters in east and southern Africa and the African Union and undertook special assignments in Sierra Leone and Nigeria. Previously she was Special Assistant to the Assistant Secretary General for Human Rights, the adviser on HIV and worked on external relations and donor relations. Before joining OHCHR, she worked with UNHCR and in the private sector.



PETER D. MAYNARD, KC, PhD, FCIArb PRESIDENT OF THE COMMONWEALTH LAWYERS ASSOCIATION

Peter Maynard, KC, with 44 years of practice primarily in commercial law and human rights is currently serving as the Senior Partner of Peter D. Maynard, Counsel & Attorneys (a full-service commercial firm) and President of the Commonwealth Lawyers Association. His preferred practice areas are international commercial litigation, arbitration, anti-corruption and asset tracing and recovery. He held other notable positions such as acting Bahamas Supreme Court Justice, Head of the Law Department at the University of The Bahamas, and lecturer at various law schools. Dr. Maynard has also made significant contributions to the legal community as Deputy Chairman of the Regional Judicial and Legal Services Commission of the Caribbean Court of Justice, Legal Adviser of the Bahamas Ministry of Foreign Affairs, President of the Bahamas Bar Association, and the Organization of Commonwealth Caribbean Bar Association and Chair of the Public and Professional Interest Division and Assistant Treasurer of the International Bar Association. He is a member of Jesus College Cambridge and of Grays Inn.



HON. PRINCESS KASUNE ZULU MINISTER OF JUSTICE, ZAMBIA

Princess Kasune is the Minister of Justice for the Republic of Zambia. Princess Kasune Zulu is a world-renowned HIV and AIDS advocate, educator and activist. She travels the world speaking about the impact of AIDS on women and children, and raising awareness of related issues such as poverty, education for girls, human rights, gender and equality. Zulu took up work with World Vision to continue her campaign on AIDS and HIV education. She first started working with the international organisation at the grass-roots level in Zambia, taking her message to schools and clinics. She was soon responsible for delivering the program in 21 development areas and is now part of World Vision's HIV and AIDS Hope Initiative program.

In 2003, Zulu joined a delegation to the White House that helped convince President George Bush to commit \$15b to the fight against AIDS in Sub-Saharan Africa. Soon after, George Bush signed into law the US Global AIDS program which pledged \$3m annually to help prevent the spread of HIV and AIDS in Africa. He invited U2 front-man Bono and Zulu to be there with him when he signed the bill.



ADVOCATE DUMISA NTZEBEZA

Advocate Ntzebeza is a South African lawyer, public speaker, author and political activist born in Transkei, now the Umtata, Eastern Cape. Professor Lungisile Ntsebeza is his brother. He is the chairman of the Desmond Tutu Peace Trust and a trustee of the Nelson Mandela Foundation. He was involved in the political struggle against apartheid in the mid-1970s, when he served time in prison during which he completed his law degree. Ntsebeza emerged as a commissioner of the Truth and Reconciliation Commission in 1995. Ntsebeza was appointed chancellor of the University of Fort Hare in January 2017.



DAVIES PWELE

Davies Pwele works as a Business Development Africa, International Finance Head at Development Bank of Southern Africa, which is a Banking company with an estimated 664 employees; and founded in 1983. They are part of the Finance team within the Finance Department and their management level is Director. Davies graduated from University of Lincoln - UK in 2002 and is currently based in Johannesburg, South Africa.



HON. PATIENCE MASUA MEMBER OF PARLIAMENT - NAMIBIA

Hon. Patience Masua, Namibia's youngest Member of Parliament, joined the National Assembly at age 22 in April 2021. She holds an LLB from the University of Namibia and is pursuing an LLM in International Law. She has training in International Humanitarian Law and the Protection of Forcibly Displaced Persons.

In Parliament, Hon. Masua serves on the Committees of Foreign Affairs, Defence & Security, and Constitutional & Legal Affairs, where she led the drafting of petition rules, a first for Namibia. She is the former Secretary-General of the Namibia National Students Organisation (NANSO) and the Country Director for the SADC Youth Forum (SAYOF) since 2017. Her awards include the Young Africa Changemaker Award (2022) and recognition among Advance Media's 100 Most Influential People in Africa (2022) and the 100 Most Influential People of African Descent (2023).Hon. Masua sits on the Africa REACH Leadership Council, which focuses on ending AIDS among children and youth. She is a Young African Leadership Initiative (YALI) alumna in Public Administration. Her activism emphasizes equitable access to education and economic development.

Her legislative achievements include championing bills to protect primary homes from repossession and introducing policies to reduce youth unemployment and provide VAT exemptions for youth-owned businesses, all becoming law by March 2024.Hon. Masua advocates for mediation, peacebuilding, and youth participation in governance. She has spoken at high-level platforms, promoting constitutionalism and democratic governance. Her publications cover global governance reform, health funding in Africa, gender equity, and the impact of COVID-19 on inequality.



NELISWA TJAHIKIKA DIRECTOR OF LAW SOCIETY OF NAMIBIA

Neliswa Tjahikika is currently serving as the Executive Director at the Law Society of Namibia, a position she has held recently. Her career spans significant roles within Namibia's legal sector. From 2005 to 2007, she served as a Senior Legal Officer and Chief Legal Officer at the Ministry of Justice. Following this, she took on the roles of Deputy Registrar and Deputy Government Attorney from 2010 to 2019, contributing extensively to the legal administration and governance of the country during that time. Currently, in her role as Executive Director at the Law Society of Namibia, she continues to play a crucial role in overseeing and advancing legal standards and professional practices within Namibia's legal community.

Kagoro brings more than 24 years of strategic leadership experience across international, regional, and intergovernmental organizations, such as the United Nations Development Programme, ActionAid International, and several African Union institutions. His extensive work and activism in the areas of transitional/restorative/reparative justice, human rights, social justice, international development, and accountability allow him to lead from a place of deep knowledge and empathy.



NGOSA SIMACHELA

Ngosa Simachela is the former Vice- President of the Law Association of Zambia. She is a legal practitioner of seventeen years standing at the Zambian Bar and a Partner in the firm of Nchito & Nchito based in Lusaka. She is a seasoned litigator with experience before the superior Courts of Zambia. Ngosa is an Alumnus of the Nelson Mandela School of Public Governance's Emerging African Leaders Program, housed at the University of Cape Town. She is also a trained investment advisor and is also currently serving as Council Member of the Southern African Development Community (SADC) Lawyers Association.



DR BERNADETTE MALUNGA

Dr. Bernadette Malunga is a Senior Lecturer and Head of the Private Law Department at the University of Malawi. She holds a PhD in Law from the University of Nairobi, a Master's in Women's Law from the University of Zimbabwe, an LLM in Commercial Law (pending) and an LLB (Hons) from the University of Malawi.

Her research focuses on gender, women's and children's rights, commercial law, and administrative justice. She has published on topics including women's political participation, access to justice in electoral cases, political party financing, political patronage, and violence against women in politics.

Bernadette has facilitated training on women's leadership and political participation for organizations like OXFAM, MALGA, and the Women Lawyers Association. Notably, she was the lead lawyer for the Women Lawyers Association in the landmark 2019 electoral case in Malawi that led to the nullification of the presidential election results.



PROFESSOR ADRIANO NUVUNGA

Prof. Adriano Nuvunga is a Mozambican scholar, anti-corruption advocate and human rights defender. He is the director of the Center for Democracy and Human Rights (CDD), an organization that promotes democracy and protects human rights in Mozambique. Nuvunga is a professor of political science and governance at the Eduardo Mondlane University in Maputo.

He is a senior research fellow at Good Governance Africa (GGA) in Johannesburg, South Africa, where he is involved in research and discourse on governance and societal development. He is the chairperson of the Southern Defenders, a network of human rights defenders in Southern Africa. He directs the activities of the Mozambique Human Rights Defenders Network, related to human rights causes in the region. Nuvunga is a board member of the Africa Centre for Energy Policy (ACEP) based in Accra, Ghana.

He has written books on the issues of governance and human rights in Mozambique in particular and in African region in general. In 2022, Nuvunga was included in a list of the 100 most influential Africans by the New African magazine.



LIEUTENANT GENERAL SITALI DENNIS ALIBUZWI

Lieutenant General Sitali Dennis Alibuzwi joined the Zambia Army as an Officer Cadet on August 19, 1983, and was commissioned into the Corps of Zambia Artillery on November 23, 1984. He served in various roles, including Command Post Officer and Officer Commanding All Arms Wing, before being promoted to Lieutenant in 1987. He attended the 3rd Command and Staff Course at Zambia Defence Services Command and Staff College in 1998 and has held numerous command and staff positions throughout his 41-year career. His UN missions included roles such as ZAMBATT II Logistics Officer in UNAVEM III, Military Observer in UNAMSIL and UNMEE, and Deputy Chief Military Personnel Officer in UNAMID.

After returning from his UN tours, he served as Directing Staff and Chief Instructor at Zambia Defence Services Command and Staff College, later becoming Commandant of MILTEZ and then Commandant of Defence Services Command and Staff College in 2015. He was appointed Deputy Army Commander and Chief of Staff in December 2018 and was promoted to Major General.On August 30, 2021, he was appointed Zambia Army Commander and promoted to Lieutenant General. On March 2, 2023, he was inducted into the US Army War College Hall of Fame.



GRACIAN ZIBELU BANDA

Gracian Zibelu Banda holds an LLB from the University of Malawi, an LLM in International Economic Law from the University of Warwick, and a PhD in Environment, Development, and Climate Change Law from the University of Cape Town.

Since 1990, he has been active in law practice, consultancy, and academia. He taught at the University of Malawi Law School and recently served as Dean of the Faculty of Law at the Catholic University of Malawi. Gracian is a member of the IUCN Commission on Environmental Law and was a Regional Environmental Lawyer for IUCN Southern Africa.

In 2002, he founded the Centre for Environmental Policy and Advocacy (CEPA), serving as its Executive Director until 2010. He has consulted for various national and international organizations, including the UN Environment Programme and the Southern Africa Development Community.



MR MOTLATSI BARNABUS MOLEFE CEO - LEGAL PRACTITIONERS FIDELITY FUND

Motlatsi is an admitted attorney who was in practice for 18 years before leaving private practice to pursue other interests. He served as Municipal Manager at Dihlabeng local Municipality in the Free State and later joined the Thebe Group as Legal, Risk and Compliance Executive in one of their subsidiaries, Creditworx. He is currently the Chief Executive Officer of the Legal Practitioners Fidelity Fund a position he has held for almost ten (10) years. He holds a B Proc degree from the University of the North, a Management Advancement Program from Wits Business School, an MBA from Regenesys Business school and an LLM in International Commercial Law from Salford University (UK).



SVETLANA VASILEVA SECRETARY-GENERAL OF THE AFSA INTERNATIONAL COURT | ACCREDITED MEDIATOR, LEGAL COMPLIANCE

Ms. Vasileva is the Secretary General of AFSA International, specializing in international commercial and investment arbitration. With over 25 years of experience, she has expertise in legal and institutional development, international policy, and international trade and investment.

She has worked in diverse legal systems, including common law and civil law, and has been involved in complex domestic and international litigations and commercial mediations.

A former Bulgarian Bar advocate, she is a certified mediator with PAMB and the Sofia Regional Court Settlement Centre, and a member of the International Bar Association, International Law Association, American Bar Association, and New York State Bar Association.



MINAH B. TONG-MONGALO

Minah B. Tong-Mongalo is the Chief Executive and Senior Contract Law Specialist of TMCS. Her experience includes advising clients on matters relating to general corporate commercial law, contract law, trust property law, contract management and property development and management. In addition, Minah has experienced inboard training, board evaluations and SOE governance. Minah is also an experienced Legal advisor of private and public sector entities and pursuing her doctoral studies in the governance of state-owned enterprises.



FADZAYI MAHERE

Fadzayi is a leading trial lawyer and appellate advocate with 15 years of experience, practicing at the Bar in Zimbabwe. She has been amicus curiae for the Supreme Court on freedom of testation and served on the Zimbabwe Law Reports Editorial Board and the Constitutional Court Rules Committee. Fadzayi has led cases in the Constitutional Court on issues such as dual citizenship, access to courts, women's rights on death row, privacy, and labor standards. She frequently appears in the Supreme Court, Commercial Court, and High Court.

In addition to her legal career, Fadzayi is a public leader and advocate for good governance. She has served as a Member of Parliament and was the spokesperson for the main opposition, focusing on democracy, ethical leadership, and African development.

Fadzayi holds a Master's in International Law from the University of Cambridge (2011) and was awarded a Pegasus Fellowship, where she worked with Essex Court Chambers and Doughty Street Chambers, and shadowed Judge Paget QC at the Old Bailey. She has also worked with the ICC, the Special Tribunal for Lebanon, and the UN International Criminal Tribunal for Rwanda.



LULU NG'WANAKILALA

Ms. Ng'wanakilala is a seasoned leader with over 20 years of experience in women's rights, gender equality, human rights, humanitarian law, peace and security, and access to justice. She has served as CEO of the Legal Services Facility (LSF), managing a \$24 million fund supporting over 200 organizations and 4,000 paralegals, and as Country Representative of Engender Health and UMATI, affiliated with the International Planned Parenthood Federation (IPPF).Her expertise includes public health, women's empowerment, youth, access to justice, and human rights. She excels in strategic direction, people management, resource mobilization, finance management, program implementation, visibility, governance, and organizational development.

Ms. Ng'wanakilala is actively involved in women's rights and gender equality organizations, serving as Board Chairperson of the Tanzania Women Lawyers Association (TAWLA), Vice Chairperson of the Tanzania Forestry Fund (TaFF) and Tanzania Startups Association (TSA), and Board Member of the East African Philanthropic Network (EAPN). She is also a Non-Executive Director of Absa Bank Tanzania and has collaborated with regional bodies like the EAC, IGCLR, and SADC, in East Africa and the UK.

Ms. Ng'wanakilala holds an LLM in International Law and Human Rights from the University of Liverpool, an LLB from the University of Dar es Salaam, an Executive MBA from NIPD and the University of Chester, a management qualification from the Chartered Institute for Personnel and Development (CIPD), and a Postgraduate in Business and Management from Liverpool John Moores University. She has also completed leadership training in strategic health communication from Johns Hopkins University's Bloomberg School of Public Health.



TSHEPO MOCHABANG

AJS DIRECTOR

Tshepo Mochabang is passionate about legal tech and dedicated to revolutionizing the legal industry through technology-driven solutions. With over 14 years of experience in legal technology and sales, she has a proven track record of driving revenue growth and innovation within the legal sector. She has successfully negotiated complex contracts with top-tier law firms and launched and marketed AI-powered, web-based legal accounting platforms. In addition to her professional achievements, she is multilingual, speaking over eight languages.



HONOURABLE YVONNE DAUSAB

Honourable Yvonne Dausab holds a BA (Law), LLB from University of the Western Cape and an LLM from the University of Pretoria. She is an admitted legal practitioner of the High Court of Namibia since 2000 and a Notary Public since 2015. The President of the Republic of Namibia appointed her Minister of Justice effective 21 March 2020. She is erstwhile Chairperson of the Law Reform and Development Commission for a five-year period since April 2015 until her current appointment. Ms Dausab, prior to the above appointments, was the Deputy Dean of the Faculty of Law at the University of Namibia and a lecturer, for a total period of seven years.

She has published and has interest in the areas of access to justice, disability rights, children's rights and constitutional and human rights law. The last publication was on: Transformative Constitutionalism in the Apex Court of Namibia: A reflection of 30 years jurisprudence (2022) in Tapiwa Victor Warikanda & John Baloro 'Namibia's Supreme Court at 30 years: A review of the Superior Court's Role in the Development of Namibia's Jurisprudence in the Post-Independence Era. Also "Visser v Minister of Finance: A Missed Opportunity to Clarify the Equality Provision within a Namibian Disability Rights Paradigm' (2017)-published in a book she also co-edited with Dr Dunia P Zongwe titled: 'The Law Reform and Development Commission of Namibia at 25: A Quarter Century of Social Carpentry.



MAUREEN M SHONGE

UN WOMEN EAST AND SOUTHERN AFRICA REGIONAL OFFICE (ESARO), NAIROBI, KENYA

Maureen Shonge is the Regional Policy Specialist on Political Participation in the Governance Section at UN-Women's East and Southern Africa Regional Office. She is a holder of a Bachelor of Laws Honors Degree, a Masters in International Human Rights Law from Oxford University and a Masters in Women's Law from the South, East Africa Regional Centre for Women's Law (SEARCWL), University of Zimbabwe in partnership with the Institute for Women's Law at the University of Oslo, Norway. She has over 15 years of experience working at the intersection between human rights, women's peace and security, elections, governance and gender. She has extensive experience working on programmes seeking to promote gender equality and women's empowerment in decision-making and politics in East and Southern Africa Region. She previously served as UN Women's Team Leader for Political Participation and Women's Peace and Security in Zimbabwe. Prior to joining the United Nations, Maureen worked for a law-based organisation, a women lawyers' organisation, a research think tank and a regional INGO.



DAD B.B. CHINTHAMBI

Dad Chinthambi is the Director of Legal Affairs & Board Secretary at the Malawi Energy Regulatory Authority (MERA). He holds a Master of Laws in Commercial Law, an LLB (Hons.), a Bachelor of Education Humanities, and a Diploma in Legislative Drafting. He is trained in governance, Power Purchase Agreements (PPAs), and energy regulation. Previously, Dad served as Director of Legal Services and Company Secretary for Power Market Limited, Malawi's Single Buyer of electricity. His responsibilities at MERA include advising on energy laws, legal risks, commercial transactions, board management, legal compliance, and contract interpretation, particularly for PPAs.Dad has practiced law at Chagwamnjira and Company Law Firm, served as in-house legal counsel for the Electricity Supply Corporation of Malawi Limited (ESCOM), and was Head of Legal and Company Secretary at the Electricity Generation Company (Malawi) Limited (EGENCO). At EGENCO, he advised on project transactions, managed board business, set up company systems, developed legal strategies, and managed litigation. He has facilitated training workshops and presented on topics like power sector reform, the impact of climate change on electricity generation, and governance. Dad is passionate about good governance, compliance enforcement, and Environmental, Social, and Governance (ESG) issues, focusing on climate change.



NAKASAMBA BANDA-CHANDA

Nakasamba is a transactional and dispute resolution lawyer at AMW & Co. Legal in Zambia, specializing in finance, corporate, commercial, and investment law, as well as mergers and acquisitions and anti-trust laws. She has led significant mergers in banking, financial, agricultural, and fintech sectors.

Committed to efficient commercial dispute resolution, Nakasamba promotes ADR to enhance the administration of justice. She is a Fellow of the Chartered Institute of Arbitrators, serving as Honorary Secretary of its Zambian branch and is a founding committee member of Young AFSA (Arbitration Foundation of Southern Africa). She is accredited as an Arbitrator, Adjudicator, and Mediator.

Nakasamba is involved in establishing the Lusaka International Arbitration Centre and is engaged in the review process for the proposed new Arbitration Act with the Zambia Law Development Commission, in collaboration with the Law Association of Zambia and various professional bodies and businesses.



ORQUÍDEA MASSARONGO-JONA

Orquídea Massarongo-Jona is a PhD Research Fellow. She graduated from Faculdade de Direito da Universidade Eduardo Mondlane (2002) and later joined the Mozambican Bar Association (2004). Orquídea obtained an LL.M. at the University of Stellenbosch, Cape Town (South Africa) where she was awarded a Master's Degree in International Trade Law (2003). She practiced law at José Caldeira & Associados (JCA).



ADVOCATE MICHAEL KUPER SC

CHAIRMAN OF THE ARBITRATION FOUNDATION OF SOUTHERN AFRICA AND CHAIRMAN OF CAJAC JOHANNESBURG

Michael Kuper is a South African citizen and a Senior Advocate practising at the Johannesburg Bar. He conducts primarily an arbitration practice involving the resolution of corporate, shareholder, and partnership disputes and more generally commercial and investment matters. He has served as the Chairman of the Johannesburg Bar on three occasions and as Vice Chairman of the General Council of the Bar. He has acted as a Judge of the High Court on various occasions.

Michael has participated extensively both as counsel, arbitrator or mediator in domestic arbitrations and mediations, as well as regional or cross border arbitrations in SADC, including the Indian Ocean Islands, and in international arbitrations in the United Kingdom, France, Nigeria and the United States of America. He has served on arbitration panels appointed by the International Chamber of Commerce and by the London Court of International Arbitration. He has acted as lead counsel on behalf of South Africa in arbitration proceedings before the Permanent Court of Arbitration. He is Country Rapporteur for South Africa to the International Chamber of Commerce and to the United Nations Commission on International Trade Law. He is a member of the Arbitration Panel of the Hainan Arbitration Commission; the Shanghai International Arbitration Centre; the Shenzhen Court of International Arbitration; the Arbitration Foundation of Southern Africa and the China-Africa Joint Arbitration Centre. He is the Chairman of AFSA and CAJAC Johannesburg.



MVUZO NOTYESI

Mvuzo Notyesi is an attorney and director at Mvuzo Notyesi Incorporated in Mthatha and also the President of National Association of Democratic Lawyers. He holds the BProc and LLB degrees from the University of Transkei, was admitted as an attorney in 1999 after completing his articles and attending the LSSA's School for Legal Practice in East London. He has practised as director at Mvuzo Notyesi Incorporated since 1999.

Mr Notyesi has been a Council member and a member of the Management Committee of the LSSA for three years. He is also a Commissioner at the Judicial Service Commission. Mr Notyesi has a passion for education and has been a part-time lecturer and an instructor at the LSSA's School for Legal Practice in East London. He is also an examiner for the Attorneys Admission Examination. Mr Notyesi is Chairperson of the Notyesi Foundation, which awards bursaries to disadvantaged students to attend university.



SIPHOSAMI MALUNGA

Siphosami Malunga is a human rights lawyer with extensive experience in justice and governance in Africa. Having previously worked with the United Nations Development Program (UNDP) as the senior governance advisor and regional program manager in the Regional Bureau for Africa, Malunga also held UN posts focused on peacekeeping, post conflict recovery and transition- al justice in East Timor (2000-2003) and Afghanistan (2003-2006). He further went on to lead UNDP global efforts at integrating conflict prevention and democratic governance at the Governance Centre in Oslo and then at the East and Southern Africa office in Johannesburg (2008-2010). Malunga is social justice advocate and a regular contributor on political an economic governance as well as human rights and accountability issues in national, regional and interna-tional publications.



BRIAN KAGORO
DIRECTOR, GLOBAL JUSTICE & INTERSECTIONAL JUSTICE- OPEN SOCIETY
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Brian Kagoro is the managing director of Programs at the Open Society Foundations, overseeing a diverse portfolio to meet strategic goals and ensure the work is balanced, inclusive, future-focused, and transformative.

Previously, Kagoro was the director of Justice and Intersectionality at Open Society, where he guided global efforts to advance democratic freedoms and ensure accountability for human rights abuses. He developed strategies to redress abuses of power, promote equal rights, and achieve just outcomes for underserved communities, including initiatives on caste, racial, and gender justice. Before that, he was the director of Programs in Open Society's Africa Regional Office and played a key role in integrating intersectionality across all programs.

With over 24 years of strategic leadership experience, Kagoro has worked with international, regional, and intergovernmental organizations like the United Nations Development Programme, ActionAid International, and several African Union institutions. His extensive work and activism in transitional, restorative, and reparative justice, human rights, social justice, international development, and accountability enable him to lead with deep knowledge and empathy.



BRIGADIER GENERAL DAN KUWALI COMMANDANT, NATIONAL DEFENCE COLLEGE, MALAWI

Brigadier General Dan Kuwali is the Commandant of the National Defence College and former Chief of Legal Services and Judge Advocate General of the Malawi Defence Force. He chairs Malawi's National International Humanitarian Law Committee and is a Distinguished Graduate of the US Army War College.

Academically, he is an Extraordinary Professor at the University of Pretoria, a Visiting Professor at Lund University, a Fellow at Harvard Kennedy School, and has been involved with the African Military Law Forum and the African Bar Association. He has served as Division Legal Advisor for the UN mission in the DRC and is a member of the International Institute of Humanitarian Law.

His publications include "The Palgrave Handbook of Sustainable Peace and Security in Africa" (2022) and "Corruption Proofing in Africa: A Systems Thinking Approach," forthcoming with Routledge.



ALBERTO SÉRGIO RAIMUNDO

- Licenciado em Direito pela Faculdade de Direito da Universidade Agostinho Neto;
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- Assistente nas cadeiras de Direito Processual Penal e Direito Penal-II, nas Faculdades de Direito das Universidades, Agostinho Neto e Católica de Angola;
- Pós-graduado em ciências jurídico-civis pela Faculdade de Direito da Universidade Agostinho Neto;
- Pós-graduado em ciências jurídico-criminais pela Faculdade de Direito da Universidade Agostinho Neto, sob a orientação de docentes da Faculdade de Direito da Universidade de Coimbra;
- Advogado.



MVUNDLELA - KHOSANA

Mvundlela – Khosana is the founder of Mvundlela & Associates Attorneys Inc was established shortly after his admission as an Attorney of the High Court of South Africa on 13th May 2004. Following the completion of his articles of clerkship with the Legal Aid Board (now Legal Aid SA) at the Thohoyandou Justice Centre, Mr. Mvundlela embarked on his legal career by founding this private legal practice. He is dedicated to serving its clients with integrity, professionalism, and a deep understanding of the law, aiming to further enhance its presence in the legal landscape.

He graduated and immediately began his legal career with the Legal Aid Board, gaining valuable experience that led to his admission as an Attorney. He is an accredited mediator, highlighting his expertise in alternative dispute resolution methods.

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