



**NIGERIAN BAR ASSOCIATION  
LAGOS BRANCH**





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## NATIONAL ANTHEM

Arise, O compatriots,  
Nigeria's call obey  
To serve our fatherland  
With love and strength and faith  
The labour of our heroes past  
Shall never be in vain  
To serve with heart and might  
One nation bound in freedom.  
Peace and unity

O God of creation  
Direct our noble cause  
Guide our leaders right  
Help our youths the truth to know  
In love and honesty to grow  
And living just and true  
Great lofty heights attain  
To build a nation where peace  
And justice shall reign.

## THE PLEDGE

I pledge to Nigeria my country  
To be faithful, loyal and honest  
To serve Nigeria with all my strength  
To defend her unity  
And uphold her honour and glory  
So help me God.

## THE NBA PRAYER

Almighty God our Creator, we pray you to be  
with us in all our deliberations and to direct  
our endeavors so that we shall continue in  
all humility to glorify thy name and do that  
which is right and just for our profession, its  
members, our fellow men and our country.  
Amen



..... **OLUMIDE AKPATA** .....  
President, Nigerian Bar Association





..... · **LATEEF OMOYEMI AKANGBE** · .....

Chairman, Nigerian Bar Association, Lagos Branch

## EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEMBERS



**OKEY ILOFULUNWA**  
VICE CHAIRMAN



**YEMI AKANGBE**  
CHAIRMAN, NBA LAGOS BRANCH



**MOSHOOD ABIOLA**  
SECRETARY



**FOLUKE AKINMOLADUN**  
TREASURER



**CHINENYE ORAGWU**  
FINANCIAL SECRETARY



**HARRY UKAEJIOFOR**  
LEGAL ADVISER



**JAMES SONDE**  
PUBLICITY SECRETARY



**GLORIA EGEONU**  
SOCIAL SECRETARY



**ANTHONIA EKE**  
WELFARE SECRETARY



**FLORENCE CHIJOKE-DURU**  
PROVOST



**IFEOMA BEN**  
ASSISTANT SECRETARY



## CO-OPTED MEMBERS



**AGBA EIMUNJEZE**



**ONYE RUMUNA**



**SOTONYE AMACHREE**



**KEHINDE DAODU**

## EX OFFICIO EXCO MEMBERS



**CHUKWUKA IKWUAZOM**  
IMMEDIATE PAST CHAIRMAN



**IKECHUKWU UWANNA**  
IMMEDIATE PAST SECRETARY

## SECRETARIAT STAFF



**OGBONNAYA EGBE**  
ADMINISTRATOR



**FLORENCE DEAN-EKEH**  
ADMINISTRATOR ASST.



**GOUNGO ALEXANDER**  
CLERICAL OFFICER



**JOHNSON OKOM**  
ASSOCIATION VEHICLE DRIVER



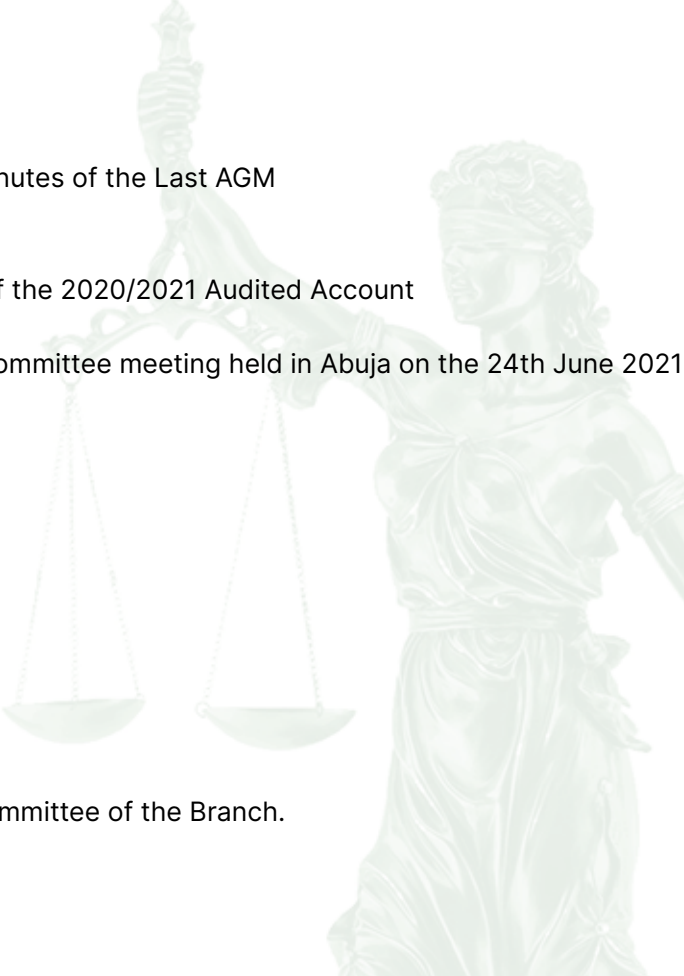
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CLERICAL ASSISTANT



**TEMITOPE ADEBAYO**  
OFFICE ASSISTANT



## AGENDA

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- i. Opening Prayer
  - ii. Welcome Remarks by the Chairman
  - iii. Consideration and adoption of the Minutes of the Last AGM
  - iv. Matters Arising from the Minutes
    - a. Consideration and adoption of the 2020/2021 Audited Account
  - v. Report from the National Executive Committee meeting held in Abuja on the 24th June 2021
  - vi. Appointment of Auditors
  - vii. Statutory Reports:
    - a. Chairman's Address
    - b. Secretary's Report
    - c. Treasurer's Report
    - d. Auditor's Report
  - ix. Any other Business
  - x. Inauguration of the new Executive Committee of the Branch.
  - xi. Cutting of Cake
  - xii. Closing Prayers

**Moshood Abiola**

Secretary, Nigerian Bar Association,  
Lagos Branch (2019-2021)



**NIGERIAN BAR ASSOCIATION – LAGOS BRANCH  
MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING OF  
THE NIGERIAN BAR ASSOCIATION, LAGOS BRANCH  
HELD ONLINE VIA ZOOM ON MONDAY 27TH OF JULY 2020**

**1.0 ATTENDANCE**

**1.1 Officers**

1.	Yemi Akangbe	-	Chairman
2.	Moshood Abiola	-	Secretary
3.	Okey Ilofulunwa	-	Vice Chairman
4.	Foluke Akinmoladun	-	Treasurer
5.	Chinenye Oragwu	-	Financial Secretary
6.	James Sonde	-	Publicity Secretary
7.	Gloria Ngozi Egeonu	-	Social Secretary
8.	Anthonia Eke	-	Welfare Secretary
9.	Harry Ukaejiofor	-	Legal Adviser
10.	Florence Chijioke Duru	-	Provost
11.	Ifeoma Ben	-	Asst. Secretary
12.	Agba Eimunjeze	-	Co – Opted
13.	Kehinde Daodu	-	Co – Opted
14.	Onye Rumuna	-	Co – Opted
15.	Sotonye Amachree	-	Co – Opted

**1.2 Members**

1.	Abayomi Fagbayi	2)	Abdulkabir Badmos
3.	Abdullateef Abdul	4)	Abdulwahab Oseni
5.	Abdulwasii Esuola	6)	Abel Osondu
7.	Abigail Olukemi Somoye	8)	Abiodun Akanni
9.	Abiodun Odunlami	10)	Abiola Oyer
11.	Abiye Tam-George	12)	Abubakar Shamsudeen
13.	Adaeze .E Ojiako	14)	Adaku Mbama
15.	Ade Adedeji	16)	Ade Adedeji Adedeji
17.	Adebimpe Bada	18)	Adebola Lema
19.	Adebola Olurebi	20)	Adebola Sobowale
21.	Adebowale Laditan	22)	Adedamola Fakoya
23.	Adedamola Olaotan	24)	Adedoyin Fadare
25.	Adefolake Adewusi	26)	Adefowoke Ayo-Ponle
27.	Adekunle Olaofe	28)	Adeleke Agbola
29.	Adeleke Gbadebo	30)	Ademola Sadipe
31.	Adeniyi Aderogba	32)	Adeniyi Komolafe
33.	Adenrele Adegborioye	34)	Adeola Olabamiji
35.	Adeola Olumeyan	36)	Adeola Oyinlade
37.	Adeolu Adesina	38)	Adeolu Fadumila Akinyele
39.	Aderemi Oguntoye	40)	Adeshina Eletu
41.	Adesola Falaiye	42)	Adetutu Oduwale
43.	Adeyemi Shekoni-Lawal	44)	Agba Eimunjeze
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47.	Agbaonu Chris	48)	Ahmod Babatunde Ariyibi
49.	Ajibike Oshodi	50)	Ajibola Akinwale
51.	Ajoke Adeleke	52)	Akeem Oyeboade
53.	Akinjeji Omolara Maria	54)	Akinola Sadiq
55.	Akinwale Irokosu	56)	Akinyemi Afuye
57.	Alewo Etuk	58)	Alex Muoka
59.	Alex Okoruwa	60)	Alfred Akinjo

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| 511. | Olusanya Bayo              | 512) | Olusola Adeusi            |
| 513. | Olusola Ogunnaike          | 514) | Olusola Okutubo           |
| 515. | Olusola Oluwafemi          | 516) | Oluwadare Ogunyemi        |
| 517. | Oluwafemi Adeniyi          | 518) | Oluwakemi Bosede          |
| 519. | Oluwasegun Ikuforiji       | 520) | Oluwaseun Alao            |
| 521. | Oluwaseun Alao             | 522) | Oluwaseun Balogun         |
| 523. | Oluwaseun Philip-Idiok     | 524) | Oluwaseye Oladitan        |

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| 525. | Oluwaseyi Owate             | 526) | Oluwasogo Ayoola         |
| 527. | Oluwasola Jumoke Mary       | 528) | Oluwatosin Akanle        |
| 529. | Oluwatoyin Oladapo          | 530) | Oluwatoyin Solomon       |
| 531. | Oluwatoyin Uko              | 532) | Oluwayemisi Onaopemipo   |
| 533. | Oluyomi Audifferen          | 534) | Omolayo Olugbemi         |
| 535. | Omoniyi Onabule             | 536) | Omotara Aisida           |
| 537. | Omotayo Agunbiade           | 538) | Omotayo Okere            |
| 539. | Omotolani Edu-Adeola        | 540) | Ono Oliko                |
| 541. | Onyekachi Mark              | 542) | Onyinye Okafor           |
| 543. | Opeyemi Orelesi             | 544) | Opeyemi Orioye           |
| 545. | Opiribo Briggs              | 546) | Ose Okpeku               |
| 547. | Osemota Okosun              | 548) | Oyejoke Olanipekun       |
| 549. | Oyesanya Olumide            | 550) | Oyindamola Akinwande     |
| 551. | Oyinkansola Badejo-Okusanya | 552) | Oyintosola Olowookere    |
| 553. | Ozioma Nwosu                | 554) | Ozioma onwurah           |
| 555. | Ozioma P. Onyenweaku        | 556) | Pamela Onah              |
| 557. | Patricia Itugbu             | 558) | Patricia Okoroafor       |
| 559. | Patrick Goungo              | 560) | Patrick Ojehonor         |
| 561. | Paul Obi                    | 562) | Paul Onyeka              |
| 563. | Peace Ukaejiofor            | 564) | Peter Jude Osuji         |
| 565. | Peter Olalere               | 566) | Philips Njeteneh         |
| 567. | Philomena Nneji             | 568) | Pius Olanrewaju          |
| 569. | Precious Ebenezer           | 570) | Precious Fasanya         |
| 571. | Prince Nwafuru              | 572) | Prince Onyekwelu         |
| 573. | Princewill Akarolo          | 574) | Prisca Obi               |
| 575. | Pwadumdi Okoh               | 576) | Qazeem Adedeji           |
| 577. | Quadri Olukayode Ajibade    | 578) | Rafiu Tolani             |
| 579. | Rakiat Alejo                | 580) | Raphael Isinsin          |
| 581. | Raqeebah Oloko              | 582) | Rasheed Belo-Osagie      |
| 583. | Reginald Udom               | 584) | Remigius Maduagwu        |
| 585. | Rilwan Shittu               | 586) | Rita Uloko               |
| 587. | Robert Anyanwu              | 588) | Roland Dogoh             |
| 589. | Roli Edun                   | 590) | Romanus Eze              |
| 591. | Rose Hamis                  | 592) | Roseline Nwankwo         |
| 593. | Rosemary Ekwubisi           | 594) | Rosemary Nwankwo         |
| 595. | Rowland Ahuama              | 596) | Saadu Hamzat             |
| 597. | Saheed Sanni                | 598) | Samuel A. Ogu            |
| 599. | Samuel Alabi                | 600) | Samuel Mogor             |
| 601. | Sandra Gini                 | 602) | Sandra Onyedum           |
| 603. | Sarah Ndudim                | 604) | Segun Ololade            |
| 605. | Seth Amaefule               | 606) | Shaibu Aliyu             |
| 607. | Sheila Ovweriavwose         | 608) | Shirley Bull             |
| 609. | Simeon Okoduwa              | 610) | Simisola Folarin         |
| 611. | Simon Chingle               | 612) | Sogbesan Sogbesan        |
| 613. | Sophie Otono                | 614) | Sophina Ozougwu          |
| 615. | Stella Ugboma               | 616) | Stephen Agida            |
| 617. | Stephen Obajaja             | 618) | Stephen Olasupo Famuyiwa |
| 619. | Sulaiman Abdulsalam         | 620) | Sumbo O. Olusemo-Elueme  |
| 621. | Sunday Fadipe               | 622) | Sunday Okodugha          |
| 623. | Susan Oziegbe               | 624) | T. A. B. Oladipo         |
| 625. | Taiwo Ajayi                 | 626) | Taiwo Owokalade          |
| 627. | Tamuno Atekebo              | 628) | Taofikat Mudasiru        |
| 629. | Tayo Abisoye                | 630) | Temidayo Odulaja         |
| 631. | Temidayo Oketola            | 632) | Temilade Eyinade         |
| 633. | Temitope Aribisala          | 634) | Temple Amadi             |
| 635. | Teniola Orunja              | 636) | Tessy Agbadamasi         |
| 637. | Theodora Kio-Lawson         | 638) | Tinuke Osoba             |
| 639. | Titilola Akinlawon SAN      | 640) | Tiwalade Aderoju         |



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| 643. Toheeb Adeyiola         | 644) Tola Ayanru               |
| 645. Tolulope Lana Olugbon   | 646) Toluwaleke Abimbola       |
| 647. Toluwase Adeyanju       | 648) Toritseju Okoturo         |
| 649. Tracy Aghedo            | 650) Tunbosun Bariwa           |
| 651. Tunde Coker             | 652) Tunde Fagbohunlu          |
| 653. Tunde Kalaro            | 654) Tunmise Omotoyinbo        |
| 655. Ubaidat Lawal Mrs       | 656) Uche Matthew              |
| 657. Uchechi Anyanele        | 658) Uchechi Ezenyirioha       |
| 659. Uchenna Nwadialo        | 660) Uchenna Nwankwo           |
| 661. Uchenna Nwaogbe         | 662) Udochi Iheanacho          |
| 663. Uduak Jackson           | 664) Ugo Okonkwo               |
| 665. Ugochukwu Eze           | 666) Ukwuomah Ndubueze         |
| 667. Canice Ukwuomah         | 668) Umar Musa Padah           |
| 669. Unah Chukwudi           | 670) Uwala E. Murphy-Akpieyi   |
| 671. Uwaokhonye Vivian Telma | 672) Uzere O Anthony           |
| 673. Valentina Onianwa       | 674) Valentine Ogunbowale      |
| 675. Victor Anurioha         | 676) Victor Nwakasi            |
| 677. Victor Ogude            | 678) Victoria Anuri            |
| 679. Victory Ilugo           | 680) Vincent Okafor            |
| 681. Vivian Uwadi            | 682) Wahab Ekundayo            |
| 683. Wale Adesokan, SAN      | 684) Winifred Kwentua-Aboderin |
| 685. Winifred Otokhina       | 686) Wofai Robert              |
| 687. Yakubu Galadima         | 688) Yetunde Eesuola           |
| 689. Yewande Gbola-Awopetu   | 690) Yimika Ketiku             |
| 691. Yussuf Temitayo Gaji    | 692) Yusuf Abiosgun            |
| 693. Yusuf Lawal             | 694) Yusuff Bamijoko Bello     |
| 695. Zainab Folami           | 696) Zainab Olabode-Shodunke   |
| 697. Zeniath Abiri           | 698) Zik Obi                   |

### 1.0 OPENING PRAYER

- 1.1 The Annual General Meeting (AGM) kicked off at 1.20 pm with the opening prayer by Chief Emeka Ngige SAN.

### 2.0 ADOPTION OF MINUTES OF THE 2019 ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING (AGM)

- 2.1 A page by page review of the Minutes of the 2019 Annual General Meeting (pages 10 – 18 of the 2020 AGM Brochure) which held on the 29th July, 2019 at City Hall, Lagos Island, Lagos was undertaken by the Chairman.
- 2.2 There being no substantive corrections to the minutes, Lillian Eronini moved the motion for adoption of the Minutes and the motion was seconded by Ben Ihesiulo and the minutes were adopted accordingly.

### 3.0 MATTERS ARISING FROM THE 2019 AGM MINUTES

- 3.1 The sole issue arising from the last AGM minutes was that of the Branch' Bar Centre. The Chairman reported that the Exco has been looking for abandoned Federal Government properties around the High Court area. He stated that in furtherance of this bid, the Exco paid a courtesy visit to the Vice President of the Federal Republic of Nigeria.



- 3.2 In his view, the Chairman said the options before the Branch were a long lease or outright purchase of any of these properties. He added that inspection of some of these properties were already on. However he said if in the end it was not feasible to get any of these properties, the branch would have no choice than to go back and develop the property in Lekki.
- 3.3 Chief Emeka Ngige SAN in response commended the steps already taken in respect of the Bar Centre and offered to assist in pursuing the long lease of assignment of some of the Federal Government properties. He however advised that effort should be intensified and no time should be wasted anymore.
- 3.4 Suleiman Abdulsalam also commended the work done so far and aligned himself with the position of Chief Emeka Ngige SAN but added that work should continue on the Lekki property so that we can have two properties and one can be used to generate profit for the Branch.
- 3.5 The Chairman in response to Chief Emeka Ngige SAN gave a timeline of six months up till the end of the year to go back to the Lekki property if an alternative could not be gotten.
- 3.6 In response to Suleiman Abdulsalam, the Chairman said it was not possible to develop two properties at the same time because of funds.
- 3.7 Phillips Njeteneh in his comments also appreciated the efforts that have been made so far. He said over the years there have been threats by the Lagos State Government to take over the Lekki property as the title documents have not been perfected. He said the branch does not have a Certificate of Occupancy on the property and the only document we have is a Letter of Allocation which he doesn't even believe is with the current Exco.
- 3.8 Mr. Njeteneh added further that the Lekki property was given to the branch for a singular purpose of building a bar centre and cannot be used for business. He said we may need to renegotiate with the state government in that regard so that we can put it to use to generate income.
- 3.9 Godson Ugochukwu said it was okay and necessary to have the bar centre around the High Court and supported Philips Njeteneh's position on looking closely at the condition attached to the Lekki land by the State government.
- 3.10 The Chairman in his response said the Attorney General of the State is a member of the branch and the suggestions will be looked into. He promised to update members.
- 3.11 Alex Muoka in his intervention said the branch did not just have a Letter of Allocation but did have a Certificate of Occupancy on the property. He advised that there should be a long time view on the property to avoid continuous policy somersaults and we should not just rely on who we know in government but take a position and work on it.

#### 4.0 CHAIRMAN'S ADDRESS

- 4.1 The Chairman read his address contained at pages 17 – 20 of the AGM Brochure.

#### 5.0 APPOINTMENT OF AUDITORS

- 5.1 The Chairman presented the name of Olu Aladejebi & Co. as auditors to the meeting and called for a motion to be moved for their appointment. Philips Njeteneh however made a quick intervention to observe that since steps in that regard had already been taken and the auditors had already started working, the meeting should then ratify their appointment as auditors.
- 5.2 Thereafter Philips Njeteneh moved the motion for the ratification appointment of Olu Aladejebi & Co. as auditors and Marian Jones seconded the motion and it was carried.

#### 6.0 STATUTORY REPORTS

- 6.1 Secretary's Report: The Secretary read the report as contained in pages 21-32 of the AGM Brochure.
- 6.2 Joyce Oduah moved the motion for the adoption of the Secretary's Report for discussion and the motion was seconded by Wofai Roberts.
- 6.3 Treasurer's Report: The Treasurer presented the report as contained in pages 33-36 of the AGM Brochure. The motion for adoption of the report for discussion was moved by Chukwuemeka Ezeokoye and seconded by Mrs. Edu-Adeola Abioye Tolani.
- 6.4 Paul Obi commended the treasurer for a well articulated report. Chukwuemeka Ezeokoye also commended the treasurer but wanted to know when the cash palliative will be paid out to members. The treasurer assured him that it will be soon.
- 6.5 Philips Njeteneh observed that at the last AGM it was agreed that the wallet account should be closed and wanted to know why it has not been done. Bode Omoboriowo responded to him and stated that a motion had already been moved to the effect that the wallet account be closed and there was no reason to move another motion. The Treasurer confirmed that account would soon be closed.
- 6.6 Mr. Yusuf Bello advised that the Chairman and Treasurer write to the bank to close the account.
- 6.7 Auditor's Report: The Auditor presented the audited the financial statements set out on pages 39-76 of the AGM Brochure.
- 6.8 Justina Lewa moved the motion to adopt the Auditor's Report while Ikechukwu Uwanna seconded the motion.
- 6.9 Finance and General Purposes Committee Report: Chief Ademola Sadipe, JP presented the report as contained in page 37 of the AGM Brochure. He noted that they had a cordial working relationship with

members of the Executive Committee.

- 6.10 Mr. Bode Omoboriowo moved a motion for the adoption of the report of the committee and same was seconded by Mr. Anthony Nwaochei.

## **7.0 KNOWLEDGE SHARING SESSION**

- 7.1 Folabi Kuti introduced the speaker for the knowledge sharing session – Dr. Charles Adeogun A. Phillips.
- 7.2 Mr. Ade Adedeji SAN thanked Dr. Charles Adeogun A. Phillips on behalf of the branch for his well delivered lecture.

## **8.0 NBA 2020 ELECTIONS**

- 8.1 The Chairman raised the issue of the forthcoming NBA National Elections. He said we had six candidates from the branch running in the elections; Ganiyat Adetutu Siyanbola running for the position of 1st Vice President, Uche Nwadialo for the Assistant General Secretary, Alex Muoka and Joyce Oduah both running for the position of General Secretary and Dr. Babatunde Ajibade SAN and Olumide Akpata for the position of President.
- 8.2 The Chairman explained that for the positions of General Secretary and President which had two members of the branch contesting, the branch can only wish them well. He however urged for the support of branch members for the two other members; Ganiyat Adetutu Siyanbola running for the position of 1st Vice President, Uche Nwadialo for the Assistant General Secretary.
- 8.3 There were deliberations on whether the branch should always support any candidate who is the only one from the branch running for any office in National Elections. Dr. Babafemi Badejo moved the motion that the branch should support any candidate who is the only one from the branch running for any office in National Elections. The motion was seconded by Omoniye Onabule.

## **9.0 ANY OTHER BUSINESS**

- 9.1 Godson Ugochukwu in his AOB intervention said he had wanted to make the point that the branch's support for candidates should not be carte blanche, when the motion of supporting candidates who are the only one from the branch running for any office in National Elections was been moved, but that he was not recognized to speak at the time. The Chairman agreed with the point made by Mr. Ugochukwu.
- 9.2 However Anthony Atata and Emmanuel Umoren both disagreed with the position of Mr. Ugochukwu. They were both of the view that attaching conditions to the branch's support for candidates who are the only one from the branch running for any office in National Elections could lead to controversy. Mr. Umoren was of the view that once a member is a financial member, it should be a given that he is of good character.
- 9.3 Philips Njeteneh in his intervention urged that the branch bus should



be replaced because it is gulping so much money for repairs. The Chairman requested that the Exco be allowed to look into the issue of a new bus and give feedback to the branch meeting in September.

#### **10.0 CLOSING**

10.1 The motion for adjournment of the AGM was moved by Foluke Akinmoladun and seconded by Geraldine Wey and the AGM was adjourned accordingly.

10.2 Mr. Tunde Coker led the Closing prayer and the Annual General Meeting was brought to an end at 5.48pm.

**Yemi Akangbe**  
Chairman

**Moshood Abiola**  
Secretary







**CHAIRMAN'S ADDRESS AT THE 2021 ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING  
OF THE NIGERIAN BAR ASSOCIATION, LAGOS BRANCH  
HELD ON MONDAY, 27TH JULY 2020.**

***"IT IS NOT HE THAT PUTS ON AN ARMOUR THAT OUGHT TO BE  
CONGRATULATED BUT HE THAT TAKES OFF AN AMOUR"***

Most Respected and Distinguished Members,

With gratitude to the Almighty God, I greet you with the best of compliments and welcome you to the 2021 Annual General Meeting (AGM) of the Nigerian Bar Association, Lagos Branch (the Premier Branch).

I am extremely delighted and overwhelmed with joy to be addressing you in what is my last Annual General Meeting as Chairman of our great Branch. I have had the privilege and a rare opportunity of leading this Branch for the last 2 years. However, I have always been a believer in the fact that anything that has a commencement date, must surely have an expiry date, what is important is what one does in that period. I am writing this address with so much joy and excitement, believing that I gave this office my best shot and where I am found wanting, I believe the incoming administration will make amends and correct the shortfall.

In the 2 years of my leadership of the Branch, I made sure that this administration did not deviate from the actualisation of the manifesto on which we campaigned for office. Our focus was to **"create a bar that focuses on its Members through achievable welfare initiatives and human capital development programs, whilst also playing an active role in public interest matters. Thus, till our last day in office, we remained steadfast in promoting initiatives that will increase social mobility of members, create prosperity and upliftment of members"**.

Before I proceed to the substance of this address, it is important to recognise and appreciate the efforts, cooperation and dedication of the heroines and heroes who work with me in the Executive Committee. It is clear to me that, without their support and trust in my judgment, we would not be where we are today. I am particularly grateful to you all and I am glad to say that I have made some life-long friendships in this Executive Committee.

The last 18 months has been very challenging, due to the Covid 19 pandemic, which has brought about a lot of disruptions, coupled with the "EndSars" protest that led to the Courts premises being vandalized. We were also faced with the Judiciary Staff Union (JUSUN) strike action, in calling for financial autonomy of the judiciary, which led to Courts being shutdown nationwide for 6 weeks and consequently led to a complete paralysis of the Administration of Justice in the country for that period. To the glory of God and with your unwavering cooperation, we have achieved the following milestones within the last 365 days:

**THE YEAR IN REVIEW**

**HEALTH INSURANCE FOR MEMBERS**

Right from the start of our administration, we put the welfare and wellness of our members on the front burner and are proud that we have set up a Health Insurance Plan for our Members. The initiative offers first class healthcare to our members at an affordable rate. We used our strength in number to drive the premium lower than it would cost if members were to approach this individually. The Branch secured the health care plan with Hygeia (one of the leading insurance health care providers in the country) for members of the Branch at an annual premium of N28,000 (Twenty Eight Thousand Naira) per member. It is with great pleasure, that I inform you that this health care scheme is now live and active, as members have continued to subscribe to the platform. I urge members that are yet to subscribe to the scheme, to do so without any further delay.



## **CONTINUING PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT**

The CPD Committee (the Committee) chaired by Mr. Tobenna Erojikwe, continued with its pacesetting work throughout the year. It held 1 hour Knowledge Sharing Sessions (KSS) at every meeting of the Branch with renowned legal practitioners from various parts of the world including the United Kingdom and the United States of America as guest speakers, providing insights on contemporary legal issues for the benefit of members of the Branch.

The Committee also secured the accreditation of its KSS by the NBA Institute of Continuing Legal Education (NBA-ICLE) with 1 CPD point allocated to each of the KSS. On the 2nd and 3rd of March 2021, the Committee collaborated with the NBA-ICLE in organizing an IP, Media and Tech Academy training that saw 5,780 lawyers from across Nigeria participate. The Faculty and coordinators of the training were all members of the Branch.

Between March and May 2021 the Committee collaborated with the NBA-ICLE in organizing a groundbreaking 15-day Energy Law and Policy training that had over 4,000 lawyers participate. All the facilitators at the training session coordinators were members of the Branch.

On the 25th and 26th of March 2021, the Committee collaborated with the NBA-ICLE in organizing a 2-day tax law training which had 3,529 lawyers in attendance. All the facilitators and coordinators of the training were members of the Branch.

The Committee successfully organized the 100 lawyers training and certification program that had 100 members of the Branch certified as associates of the Chartered Institute of Arbitration (UK). The Branch subsidized the training by providing the venue for the training, refreshments and paying the Naira element of the cost of the training with 100 members of the Branch getting a direct benefit of 45k each making an unprecedented aggregate contribution of N4.5 million to the members that participated.

A subsequent training and assessment program was organized by the CPD Committee in collaboration with the Chartered Institute of Arbitrators (UK). This phase saw about 50 members of the Branch become associates of the Chartered Institute of Arbitrators (UK).

The Committee continued its monitoring of its 120 man mentorship initiative.

The Committee has also concluded arrangements with the National Institute of Legislative Drafting and Democratic Studies for the training and certification of members of the Branch in Legislative Drafting.

Distinguished members, flowing from achievements of the CPD, please permit to commend the Chairman of the Continuing Profession Development committee, Mr. Tobenna Erojikwe, for his outstanding work in the professional growth and advancement of our members. Over the 2 years of this administration, he has demonstrated great character, leadership, exemplary commitment to the affairs of the profession, especially in the area of continuing professional development of lawyers. His record and track record in the advancing the professional development and capabilities of members remain unrivalled in the entire NBA.

## **BAR CENTRE**

I am particularly pleased and filled with a sense of pride to inform you that after so many years of clamoring for a Bar Center for the Branch, our administration has broken jinx of procrastination and has now commenced the construction of a Bar Center that competes any in the World. It is our expectation that the first phase would be completed within 7 months from the date of commencement, which was in May 2021. It is believed that the incoming administration would make the completion of the 2nd phase, a top priority.

## **FINANCIAL STATEMENT**

It is however, significant to note that the Branch's net worth has seen a difference of N38,760,763, being 7%, from N574,641,572 in 2020, to N613,402,335 in 2021.

At the same time, our cash and cash equivalents have also seen a difference of N145,599,135, having gone from N366,019,200 in 2020, to N220,420,065 in 2021. The main reason for this difference is the investment on capital project at the Bar Center, in Lekki.

### FINANCIAL TRANSPARENCY AND ACCOUNTABILITY

One of the cardinal objectives of this administration has been to maintain a high level of financial prudence, transparency and accountability. All expenditure made by the Branch is based on the three principles of whether such expenditure is **NECESSARY, REASONABLE** and **JUSTIFIABLE**.

In addition to observing financial probity, we also ensure that the financial records of the Branch are run in a manner that is transparent and accountable to members. As a practice, financial records are circulated in advance of our Monthly Meetings and laid before Members at the Meeting for public scrutiny thereat.

### LAW WEEK EVENT

The Annual Law Week of the Branch, themed “ Disruption, Innovation and the Bar” commenced under the chairmanship of Mrs. Efe Etomi and Mr. Dapo Akinosun, SAN as her co-chair, on the 23rd of July, 2021 with a Jummat prayer session for the Muslim faithful, a Health Walk, a day after and a thanksgiving service in church on the Sunday the 25th of July, 2021. We had a 2 day Technical session with 8 plenary sessions, on topical and contemporary issues flowing from the theme, with a splendid array of foremost practitioners and jurist from and outside Lagos State, as discussants.

Mr. Gbenga Oyeboode, MFR, hosted the Elders’ Night on Tuesday, 27th of July, 2021 and a Chairman’s Dinner was held on the 28th of July, 2021, sponsored by the law firms of Sofunde, Osakwe, Ogundipe & Belgore & Babalakin & Co. The event is expected to be brought to a close on Friday the 30th of July, 2021 with a closing party and raffle extravaganza.

### LAGOS BAR JOURNAL

The plan to commence a re-launch of the Lagos Bar Journal has now come to fruition, as the Branch launched her 1st Edition of the Journal during the Technical session of the Law Week. A copy of the journal would be given to each financial member of the Branch.

### ANNUAL DINNER/END OF YEAR PARTY

Regrettably, the Branch was not able to hold her traditional annual dinner/end of year party in the year ended 2020, due to the Government restrictions on large gatherings, in a bid to curb the spread of the corona virus pandemic.

### MONTHLY MEETINGS

Our Monthly General Meetings have now migrated from virtual only, to hybrid. Whilst we continue to conduct Branch meetings online, we simultaneously (in line with Government’s guidelines on the Covid 19 protocols) hold physical meetings at the Muson Centre, given that the City Hall was no longer available, having been burnt and vandalized during the arson attack in the aftermath of the “Endsars protest”.

### DIGITAL SECRETARIAT

The secretariat of the Branch has now been fully digitized. Members can now conduct all activities on the Branch on the Branch website, at [www.nbalagos.ng](http://www.nbalagos.ng) and members have commenced the payment of Branch Dues for 2021, application and payment for stamps and seals, application for letters of good standing and ID cards online, without having to visit the secretariat any longer.

### ID CARDS

We have commenced the issuance of ID cards to members of the Branch. Based on the pending





applications, we have commenced the issuance and delivery of the cards in batches and in no time, we expect every willing member of the Branch to be issued an ID card of the Branch.

### BRANCH ELECTIONS

Elections were conducted in line with the ByeLaws of the NBA, into the Executive Offices of the Branch on the 30th of June, 2021. Only 2 offices (that of the Chairman and Secretary) were contested for, as the other offices were unopposed. Based on the results declared by the Mr Wale Akoni, SAN led Electoral Committee, Mr. Ikechukwu Uwanna emerged as the winner of the Chairmanship position, while Ms. Nta Ekpiken emerged as the Secretary of the Branch. I congratulate the incoming EXCO led by Mr. Ikechukwu Uwanna and wish them Godspeed in carrying out the mandate given to them by the majority of members. Given the experience and track record of the members of the incoming EXCO, I have no doubt in my mind, that they can only excel in their new role.

### MILESTONES RECORDED

As this EXCO bows out of office today, we are pleased to have contributed our own little quota to the development and history of the Branch, as having recorded many firsts, even in the face of the disruptions occasioned by the Covid 19 pandemic, the aftermath of the EndSars protest and the JUSUN strike, amongst other challenges over the last 2 years. However, I want to place it on record that, notwithstanding these enormous challenges, our EXCO, today bow out with many milestone achievements, some of which are;

1. **Commencement of the construction of a befitting Bar Center in Lekki.**
2. **Certification courses for members of the Branch, by entering into an MOU with CIARB with 150 members benefiting directly.**
2. **Invested an unprecedented N4.5 million on a total of 100 members as subsidy for CIARB- the first by any Branch.**
3. **Returned in excess of N20 Million from its first law dinner. The highest return in the history of the Branch.**
4. **Establishment of a Health Insurance Scheme for the Branch with Hygeia, a leading healthcare insurance provider in the country.**
5. **Purchased a new bus for the Branch.**
6. **Launched the Lagos Bar Journal and a free copy to be given every financial member of the Branch.**
7. **Digitized the Branch (including the Branch ID card scheme).**
8. **Through its CPD Committee, providing free trainings on IP, Energy Law and Policy and Taxation, to lawyers across Nigeria in collaboration with the ICLE.**
8. **Continuing with the Knowledge Sharing Sessions at meetings, without fail.**
9. **Implementation of the 1-1 Mentorship scheme, set up by the previous administration.**
10. **Conducted an election to be adjudged to be seamless, free, fair and transparent.**

From the depth of my heart, I will forever be grateful to every member of the Branch for entrusting me with the mandate to steer the ship of the largest, the most dynamic and cosmopolitan Branch of any Bar Association in the Sub Saharan Africa. My EXCO and I, indeed consider this opportunity to serve you, as an honour and a rare privilege. We have enjoyed enormous support from members of the Branch and are very grateful to you.

On behalf of my EXCO and myself, I end this address by the borrowing the Latin phrase attributed to Julius Ceasar, when he was reported to have said **"VENI VIDI VICI"** "We came, We saw and We conquered",

I thank you all for listening to me and I wish us fruitful deliberations at this AGM.

**Yemi Akangbe, FCI Arb.**  
Chairman, NBA Lagos, 2020.



## SECRETARY'S GENERAL REPORT ON THE ACTIVITIES OF THE NIGERIAN BAR ASSOCIATION, LAGOS BRANCH FROM JULY, 2020 TO JULY, 2021

### INTRODUCTION

It gives me great pleasure to again present this general report made pursuant to section 7 (3) (J) of the Third Schedule of the Nigerian Bar Association ("NBA") Uniform Bye-Law for Branches (NBA Constitution 2015 (as amended) which mandates the Secretary of each branch of the NBA to submit an general report of activities of the Branch at the Annual General Meeting.

This is the second such report and the final one for this administration.

### THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

The tenure of the 2019 – 2021 Executive Committee of the branch which came into office on the 29th of July, 2019 ends today the 30th of July, 2021.

Members of the outgoing Exco are as follows:

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| 1. Yemi Akangbe                       | - Chairman                             |
| 2. Moshood Abiola                     | - Secretary                            |
| 3. Okey Ilofulunwa                    | - Vice Chairman                        |
| 4. Foluke Akinmoladun                 | - Treasurer                            |
| 5. Chinenye Oragwu                    | - Financial Secretary                  |
| 6. James Sonde                        | - Publicity Secretary                  |
| 7. Gloria Ngozi Egeonu                | - Social Secretary                     |
| 8. Anthonia E. Eke                    | - Welfare Secretary                    |
| 9. Harry Ukaejiofor                   | - Legal Adviser                        |
| 10. Florence Ekwutosi Chijioke - Duru | - Provost                              |
| 11. Chukwuka Ikwuazom SAN             | - NEC Representative/Ex Officio Member |
| 12. Ifeoma Ben                        | - Assistant Secretary                  |
| 13. Ikechukwu Uwanna                  | - Ex Officio Member                    |
| 14. Tobenna Erojikwe                  | - Co-Opted Member                      |
| 1. Kehinde Daodu                      | - Co-Opted Member                      |
| 2. Sotonye Amachree                   | - Co-Opted Member                      |
| 3. Onye Rumuna                        | - Co-Opted Member                      |

### BRANCH MONTHLY MEETINGS

The branch held its monthly general meeting in the past one year as shown in the table below;

Date	Sponsor	Guest Speaker at the Knowledge Session	Attendance of the General House
14th September, 2020	NBA Lagos Branch	Dr. Jude Odinkonigbo spoke on the Nigeria's Finance Act 2019 and the Significant Economic Presence Concept: Prospects and Challenges.	621
26th October, 2020	NBA Lagos Branch	Dr. Sam Amadi spoke on the topic - Law and Development: The Role of the Law and the Lawyer in Promoting Democratic Citizenship".	662



Date	Sponsor	Guest Speaker at the Knowledge Session	Attendance of the General House
16th November, 2020	NBA Lagos Branch	Dr. Ayodele Oni delivered a lecture to the meeting on the topic: "Gas Policy, Transactional Issues and the Gas Transportation Network Code"	546
21st December, 2020	NBA Lagos Branch	Mr. Emeka Chinwuba, spoke on the topic "Project Finance Primer".	490
11th January, 2021	NBA Lagos Branch	Dr. Jude Odinkonigbo spoke on the topic "Understanding the African Free Trade Agreement and possible effects on Legal Practice in Nigeria"	923
8th February, 2021	NBA Lagos Branch	Professor Onyeka spoke on the topic: "Corporate Governance in CAMA 2020: Modest or Radical Change?"	1195
8th March, 2021	NBA Lagos Branch	Nnedinma Ifudu Nweke spoke on the topic: "Legal and other Concerns Confronting Foreign Investors Interested in Nigeria and Potential Solutions"	997
19th April, 2021	NBA Lagos Branch	Dr. Ese Owie delivered a lecture on the topic: "AFCTA, Digital Technology and Trade in Legal Services – Problems, Paradoxes, and Prospects"	1284
10th May, 2021	NBA Lagos Branch	Mrs. Adedoyin Rhodes-Vivour SAN, C.Arb. and Chief Gbola Akinola, FCIArb spoke on the topic: "Ethical Standards- "The Language and Conduct of the Bar- Relationship of Counsel with other Lawyers"	1319
7th June, 2021	NBA Lagos Branch	Chike Obianwu spoke on the topic "The Dynamics of running a Modern Law Practice".	1206

## REPORT ON COMMITTEES

### HUMAN RIGHTS' COMMITTEE

1. The NBA Lagos Branch Human Rights Committee ("the Committee") is the Committee in-charge of handling human rights matters and organizing programs relating to human rights. For effective execution of its program and mandate, it divided itself into two sub-committees, namely: NBA Lagos



Prison Decongestion Annual Scheme (PDAS) and Police Duty Solicitors' Scheme (PDSS). PDAS has as its Chairman Mr. Olumide Babalola while Toheeb Adeyiola served as its Secretary for the period under review. PDSS sub-committee has as its Chairman Mr. Emeka Nwadioke while Ms Kafilat Balogun serves as its Secretary.

### **NBA Lagos Prison Decongestion Annual Scheme ("PDAS")**

2. (a) This is an initiative of the NBA Lagos set up to decongest the correctional centers (formerly known as the Prisons) in Lagos State by offering pro-bono legal representations to awaiting trial inmates.
- (b) The lockdown occasioned by Covid-19 pandemic, the EndSars protest coupled with the strike embarked upon by Judiciary Staff Union of Nigeria (JUSUN) paralysed judicial activities in Nigeria which adversely affected the work of PDAS. Despite that, PDAS members were able to put up some legal representations in courts for some Nigerians arrested by the Police during the EndSars protest.

### **NBA Lagos Police Duty Solicitors' Scheme ("PDSS")**

3. This is an initiative of the NBA Lagos set up pursuant to the Police Force Order No. 20 for the purpose of providing free legal services to detainees in police formations and detention centres of other law enforcement agencies. The project aims to curtail abuse of rights of pre-trial detainees, fast track access to justice and stem congestion of prisons by ensuring that only cases with merit are escalated to prosecution.

#### **Some PDSS Interventions include the following:**

- (a) The Sub-Committee successfully intervened in the matter of a young lawyer who was mandhandled by a Naval rating and detained at Bonny Camp over a road traffic disagreement, leading the Naval Authorities to seek amicable resolution. The matter attracted significant media attention (<https://thenigerialawyer.com/traffic-soldiers-batter-handcuff-arrest-young-lawyer/>).
- (b) The Chairman of the PDSS Sub-committee, Emeka Nwadioke visited the State Criminal Investigation Division, Panti at the peak of the COVID-19 crisis on May 1, 2020 to monitor processing of detainees especially during the lockdown.
- (c) The Sub-committee is collaborating with the Legal Aid Council of Nigeria and The Rule of Law and Anti-Corruption (RoLAC), a programme of the British Council/REPLACE in delivering duty Solicitor services to detainees at different Police stations in Lagos State. The programme currently has about 120 nominal and 96 registered Branch members.
- (d) The ROLAC/REPLACE on May 21, 2020 organised a virtual training for PDSS members and subsequently had another virtual strategic session for PDSS Executive Committee Members.
- (e) The PDSS Sub-committee is collaborating with ROLAC/REPLACE in signing on our members to an APP developed as a digital platform to match detainees in need of legal assistance with PDSS volunteers in a real-time manner.
- (f) The PDSS Sub-committee participated actively in a State-wide PDSS training organized by Access to Justice earlier in the year.
- (g) The PDSS Sub-committee also participated in a training programme by Avocats Sans Frontieres (otherwise known as Lawyers without Borders) on stemming torture in detention centres across the country.

## Other activities of the Human Rights Committee

### IDENTITY CARDS

In line with our invaluable collaboration with the Rule of Law and Anti-Corruption (RoLAC) Programme of the British Council/Rights Enforcement and Public Law Centre (REPLACE), PDSS branded identification cards were produced for an initial list of 42 members. However, most of the cards were adversely impacted by the ENDSARS protests which affected the branch office at City Hall Lagos where the cards were kept for ease of distribution. In collaboration with ROLAC/REPLACE, we are in the process of reproducing the identity cards for members.

### TRAINING

Due to coronavirus pandemic restrictions, virtual training workshops were organized for members and facilitated by ROLAC/REPLACE. The workshops helped to impart requisite skills in our members to enable them effectively provide free legal assistance to detainees. Following the easing of coronavirus restrictions, members attended some in-person workshops on the scheme. Additionally, sundry resource materials were uploaded on the WhatsApp platform to educate and enlighten members on the demands of the scheme

### TRAINING WORKSHOPS

PDSS members had some trainings under the period under review which include:

- a) ROLAC/REPLACE virtual training for PDSS members/virtual strategic session with PDSS Executive Committee Members on May 21, 2020.
- b) ROLAC/REPLACE PDSS training workshop held at Eti-Osa Local Government Hall, Lekki, Lagos on 14th February, 2020.
- c) ROLAC/REPLACE virtual training for PDSS members on August 14, 2020
- d) ROLAC/REPLACE virtual training on Introduction of Police Duty Solicitors Scheme, Human Rights and Pre-trial Justice and Soft Skills - What, Why, and When (September 4, 2020)
- e) State-wide PDSS training organized by Access to Justice
- f) Avocats Sans Frontieres (otherwise known as "Lawyers without Borders") workshop on stemming torture in detention centres across the country.
- g) EU/Avocats Sans Frontieres France/CAPIO Stakeholders Workshop on Torture titled "Strengthening National Actors Capacities and Advocates for Ending Serious Human Rights Violations in Nigeria (SAFE)."
- h) ROLAC/REPLACE Consultative Meeting for Legal Aid Provider Organizations with a focus on women, children and persons living with disabilities (PLWDs) held on Thursday, 27th May, 2021 at the Legal Aid Council Hall, Ikoyi, Lagos.

### MAGISTRATES' VISITS

In line with Administration of Criminal Justice Law of Lagos State, some Magistrates visit some Police detention facilities in Lagos State. Our members under PDSS do accompany the Magistrates on such visit. Some of the visits include the following:

- (i) On 17/05/2021 our volunteers participated in the Magistrates cell decongestion visit to Lagos State CID, Panty, Lagos.
- (ii) On 24/05/2021 our volunteers participated in the Magistrates cell decongestion visit to Lagos State CID, Panty, Lagos.
- (iii) On 31/05/2021 our volunteers participated in the Magistrates cell decongestion visit to Lagos State CID, Panty, Lagos.
- (iv) On Thursday, 10th June, 2021 we accompanied the Lagos State Judiciary magistrates on a visit to the police detention facility at the IGP's IRT, G.R.A, Ikeja, Lagos Magistrates visit under ACJA.



### Other programmes of Human Rights Committee include:

The Human Rights Committee participated actively in the following workshops aimed at fostering its mandate:

- (i) Jail delivery programme by the Chief Judge of Lagos State from June 30, 2020 to July 2, 2020.
- (ii) NBA-RoLAC Stakeholders' Regional Conference on Compliance with the RPC on Monday, 17th February, 2020 at Pearlwort Hotel and Suites, Alausa, Ikeja.
- (iii) EU/Avocats Sans Frontieres France/CAPIO Stakeholders Workshop on Torture titled "Strengthening National Actors Capacities and Advocates for Ending Serious Human Rights Violations in Nigeria (SAFE)."
- (iv) One-week virtual conference for lawyers, organized by the Deutsche Gesellschaft für Internationale Zusammenarbeit (GIZ) regional project, "Promotion of the rule of law and justice in Africa", in collaboration with the NBA and Ghana Bar Association (GBA).
- (v) In June 2021, we secured the release from SCID Panti of a detainee who was having a disagreement with his spouse, a military personnel.
- (vi) We participated in a jail delivery programme by the Chief Judge of Lagos State from June 30, 2020 to July 2, 2020

### Conclusion

The Human Rights Committee of the branch has done its best in the circumstance. We recommend that the branch take more seriously the activities of the committee and provide adequate funding for its programmes. We believe that the work of the committee is the livewire of the Association. We are grateful for the opportunity given to us to serve the branch through this committee and we wish the branch well in its future endeavours. Thanks very much.

**OKEY ILOFULUNWA**

Chairman Human Rights Committee

**OLUMIDE BABALOLA**

Secretary Human Rights Committee

### JUDICIARY RELATIONS COMMITTEE

#### Introduction

The Judicial Relations Committee (JRC) was set up with a mandate to:

- a. To identify and articulate the criteria and parameters by which the transparency, integrity and efficiency of the Justice system in the Lagos Judicial Division will be measured.
- b. To relate with members of the Branch, the Judiciary as well as the Judiciary staff for the purpose of identifying the challenges inhibiting the attainment of the identified and desired criteria and operation of an efficient system.
- c. To obtain direct feedback on the role that the Judiciary expects the Nigerian Bar Association to play in assisting it to achieve the desired results.
- d. To obtain direct feedback on the role members of the Branch expect the Judiciary and the Judiciary staff to play in ensuring the achievement of the desired results.
- e. To make recommendations to both the bar and the bench as to how the desired results can be achieved.
- f. To ensure the recommended actions are executed.



### **JRC Meetings and Consultations**

At its inaugural meeting held on 31st October 2019, the JRC agreed to arrange meetings with the various Heads of the courts located in Lagos State. The meetings were designed to give the JRC an opportunity to inform the various Heads of courts (and their brother judges) of issues affecting the members of the Branch and the system of administration of justice, and to also receive feedback from the judiciary on issues they may have with members of the bar.

Ahead of the meetings with the Heads of courts, the JRC sent a notice to members of the Branch inviting them to submit their complaints and suggestions on how the system of administration of justice can be improved.

The following issues were distilled from the submissions received from members of the Branch:

- a. The lack of efficient case management. Courts should adopt scheduling of cases and other forms of efficient case management.
- b. Rulings and judgments were not delivered on time; and when finally delivered, certified true copies were not promptly provided to lawyers.
- c. Bail applications were not promptly heard and determined. This gave law enforcement agencies the impetus to detain suspects unduly.
- d. Judges and court officials failed to give advance notice to counsel of the fact that courts will not sit or that specific matters will not proceed.
- e. There was a need to issue Practice Directions to deal with unopposed applications. The Practice Directions should create a fast track means by which such applications could be granted administratively.
- f. A fast-track procedure was needed for the disposal of arbitration-related matters.
- g. The delays in the assignment of newly instituted suits to judges.

### **JRC's Meeting with the Administrative Judge of the Federal High Court (Lagos Division)**

The JRC met with the Administrative Judge of the Federal High Court (Lagos Division), Hon. M. Liman on 21st January 2020.

The meeting was attended by the following Federal High Court judges: Hon. Justice Saidu Salisu, Hon. Justice R. Aikawa, Hon. Justice M. Onyetenu, Hon. Justice C. Aneke, Hon. Justice O. Oguntolayinbo, and Hon. Justice Prof. C. Obiozor.

The meeting discussed a wide range of issues affecting the relationship between the bench and the bar and the following was agreed:

- a. The JRC will collate complaints and suggestions from the bar for submission to the Administrative Judge within two (2) weeks.
- b. The judges will also channel their complaints about the conduct of counsel and suggestions on how to improve the system of administration of justice to the JRC for necessary action.
- c. The Administrative Judge will constitute a smaller committee of about three (3) judges (that will include the Admin Judge). This smaller committee of judges will meet with select members of the JRC to consider the issues raised by both the bar and bench and proffer solutions.

### **JRC's Meeting with the Administrative Judge of the National Industrial Court (Lagos Division)**

The JRC met with the Administrative Judge of the Lagos Division of the National Industrial Court (NICN), Hon. Justice Obaseki-Osaghae on 17th February 2020.

Other NICN judges that attended the meeting were: Hon. Justice Elizabeth Orji, Hon. Justice Winika Ike Chijiora, Hon. Justice Tonia Ubaka, and Hon. Justice I.J. Essien.

The JRC drew the Administrative Judge's attention to the identified issues affecting the relationship between the bar and bench and offered to work the NICN to find solutions.



The Administrative Judge expressed delight that the bar had taken steps to engage with the bench through the JRC. She expressed her hope that the interaction with the JRC will be vibrant and positive.

Hon. Justice Obaseki-Osaghae stated that judges, as well as lawyers, are service providers whose target market are the litigants and larger society. She added that the National Industrial Court will appreciate the bar's input in its amendment of the Rules of the NICN and that the request for this will be formally routed through the JRC.

### **Arson at the Premises of the High Court of Lagos State (Lagos Division)**

In the aftermath of the #EndSARS protests, the premises of the High Court of Lagos State (Lagos Division) was looted and burnt down on 21st October 2020.

The JRC wrote a letter dated 25th October 2020 to the Honourable Chief Judge of Lagos State (CJ) commiserating with him on the unfortunate incident and offering the Branch's assistance and support towards the restoration of the damaged courts and the reconstruction of lost records. The JRC also requested a meeting the CJ at the earliest opportunity.

The JRC held an emergency meeting on 28th October 2020 to discuss the attack on the court premises and the specific ways in which the JRC could assist with the restoration of the courts.

It was agreed at the emergency meeting that the JRC should:

- a. Prepare a document on issues that may arise in the process of reconstruction of the court's records.
- b. Prepare a document on how information technology can be deployed in the process of reconstructing the court's records.
- c. Arrange to meet with the CJ and the Honourable Attorney-General of Lagos State to discuss the role the Lagos Branch of the NBA should play towards getting the courts up and running again and rebuilding the burnt courts.

By a letter dated 3rd November 2020, the JRC forwarded a protocol to the CJ to assist his Lordship with the reconstruction of the courts' records. The JRC also informed the CJ that its consultations with the members of the Branch had revealed a keen desire from for a digitized court filing and record system. The JRC therefore came up with proposals on an Information Technology (IT) solution which it hoped his Lordship would find useful when deciding on a process for the reconstruction of the courts' records.

### **Measures to Ameliorate the Effect of the COVID-19 Pandemic on the Operations of the Lagos State Judiciary**

The JRC wrote a letter dated 23rd January 2021 commending the CJ for the various circulars and practice directions issued to address: (i) the need for counsel and litigants to observe necessary protocols before entering the court premises and court rooms; (ii) limits on the number of counsel and litigants that may be accommodated in a court room at any one time; (iii) the maximum number of cases that the courts should list for any given day; and (iv) limits on the number of days that the courts should sit in any given week.

The JRC however drew his Lordship's attention to complaints received from members of the Branch on the mode of implementation of these directives which was exposing counsel and litigants to a heightened risk of contracting the Covid-19 virus because whilst the restrictions prevented overcrowding in the court rooms, they resulted in overcrowding in the corridors and other common areas outside the court rooms, as litigants and counsel whose matters were not being heard were compelled to wait in these areas, creating ample opportunity for transmission of the virus.

The JRC therefore reiterated its earlier requests that the CJ give a directive making it mandatory for the courts to schedule cases for specific dates and times, with clear directions that counsel and litigants should not attend the courts until the time allotted for their cases. The JRC suggested that judges be directed to adopt proper scheduling techniques, which will make it possible for lawyers and litigants to arrive court just a few minutes before their matter is scheduled to be called rather than the prevalent



situation where all counsel and litigants are compelled to arrive at the court not later than 9am irrespective of when their matters will be called.

The JRC offered to assist by organizing and participating in trainings for members of the judiciary, the administrative staff and the bar, which will equip all relevant parties to ensure that scheduling is adopted in an efficient manner that benefits the bench, bar and litigants and at the same time reduces their exposure to the Covid-19 virus. The JRC proposed a meeting with the CJ to discuss its suggestions in greater detail.

### Meeting with the Chief Judge of Lagos State

The JRC met with the CJ on 3rd February 2021. The judiciary's team at the meeting included: (i) Hon. Justice Dabiri, (ii) the Chief Registrar of the High Court of Lagos State, and several Deputy Chief Registrars.

The delegation of the Branch was led by the Chairman, Mr. Yemi Akangbe. Other members at the meeting were Mr. Moshood Abiola (Branch Secretary), Mr. James Sonde (Publicity Secretary), Ms. Anthonia Eke (Welfare Secretary), Dr Wale Olawoyin SAN (Vice-Chairman, JRC), Mrs. Boma Ayomide Alabi SAN, Mr. Aderemi Oguntoye and Babajimi Ayorinde (Secretary, JRC).

The CJ apologized for not meeting with the JRC earlier. He explained that he had been travelling a lot in the previous couple of months for official matters and was unable to find a convenient time for the meeting to hold.

He thanked the Branch for the letter of commiseration sent in the aftermath of the arson attack at the premises of the Lagos High Court.

The Chairman of the Branch informed the CJ that the Nigerian Bar Association held an emergency meeting after the attack and decided that the Lagos Branch, being the branch most affected by the incident, should coordinate any assistance that lawyers may want to provide to the judiciary towards enabling it get back on its feet. The Chairman also said that the Branch felt that there should be some level of uniformity in the way records are to be reconstructed hence the protocol and proposed IT solution the JRC sent to the CJ.

The JRC informed the CJ that it had identified some low hanging fruits that it wanted to draw the CJ's attention to. They were:

- a. Scheduling of cases – The JRC urged the CJ to encourage his learned brothers to schedule cases rather than make all lawyers attend court at 9am (the CJ expressed his surprise that this wasn't already being done; he said he had given directives that all cases must be scheduled).
- b. Interlocutory applications – the JRC urged the CJ to direct that interlocutory applications should be heard on a documents only basis unless a party specifically, with good reason, requests a physical hearing.
- c. Committee – The JRC urged the CJ to set up a committee made up of judges nominated by the CJ and designated members of the JRC who will meet regularly for the purpose of giving the CJ feedback on matters affecting the bench and bar and also advise the CJ on the ways technology can be deployed to improve the system of administration of justice.
- d. Difficulty Filing Cases and Delays in Assignment of Cases – The JRC urged the CJ to look into the provision of an automated system for assignment of cases.
- e. Virtual Hearings – The JRC asked the CJ to encourage judges to adopt virtual hearings as much as possible.





In his response, the CJ said:

- a. He will get back to the Branch/JRC the following week with the names of the judges that will serve on the proposed committee.
- b. The judiciary's consultant on the Judiciary Information System (JIS) had informed him that a lot of lawyers still didn't know how to upload documents to the JIS and that this was delaying the full adoption of the electronic filing system.
- c. He had heard complaints about delays in the assignment of cases and that he was working with the Administrative Judges to eliminate the hiccups.
- d. He will re-issue his directive on scheduling of cases and physical court hearings (he emphasized that only lawyers, parties and witnesses in the specific case being heard should be in court at any given time).
- e. He had given a directive that when courts will not sit, counsel must be given 48 hours' notice. He encouraged the Branch to inform him whenever this did not happen so that he could take it up with the relevant registrar and possibly apply sanctions if he or she is found to have flouted the directive.
- f. Official recorders will graduate from their training course soon and lawyers will see a change in the way court proceedings are recorded and transcribed once the recorders commenced their duties. He expected that the recording machines will be installed within two months.

### Judiciary Information System

One of the benefits of the JRC's interactions with the CJ was that it learnt that the Lagos State Judiciary has had an end-to-end technology platform called the Judiciary Information System (JIS) for years. The JIS is capable of allowing lawyers to file cases from the comfort of their offices (or anywhere with a reliable internet connection), has a module for assignment of cases, a module for scheduling of cases, among other functions.

Given that most members of the bar were either not aware of the existence of the JIS or its capabilities, the JRC engaged the consultant who built, and still maintains the JIS, to conduct a training webinar on 8th June 2021 for members of the bar to teach them how they can effectively use the JIS.

The JRC intends to continue to hold training webinars of this nature until the JIS is properly understood and utilized by lawyers. The JRC also intends to engage with the CJ in order to remove identified human bottle necks that are hampering the full adoption and utilization of the JIS by lawyers.

### Conclusion

Despite the fact that the COVID-19 pandemic and the resultant lockdowns made it difficult (or in some cases impossible) to carry out most of its proposed activities, the JRC was able to constructively engage with the Heads of the various courts in Lagos State and has been able to effectively communicate the various issues experienced by members of the Branch (and the bar at large) to the judiciary. The JRC has also done its best to follow up on the implementation of the resolutions agreed with the judiciary.

**Dr. Babatunde Ajibade SAN**  
Chairman

**Babajimi Ayorinde**  
Secretary



### **WELFARE COMMITTEE**

The Welfare Committee is chaired by Mrs. Abiye Tam George. The core mandate of the Committee was to urgently explore the possibility of securing health insurance scheme for the premier bar with a credible and cost effective health management organization (HMO) and any other welfare benefits for the members of the branch.

Some committee members also interfaced with the NHIS and briefed members of their findings. The committee unanimously agreed that issues of government bureaucratic practices may reduce effective service delivery for members. Again, some committee members held several meetings with Hygeia HMO and finally agreed to engage Hygeia HMO to provide health insurance scheme for members of the branch with the premium at Twenty Eight Thousand, Six Hundred and Ten Naira only (N28.610).

Hygeia health insurance policy agreement was signed on the 16th of May 2020 and perfected with the signatures of the Chairlady, Abiye Tam-George, the Secretary of the branch Mr. Moshood Abiola and the Welfare Secretary of the branch Ms. Anthonia Eke that witnessed the signing of the agreement for a duration of one year. We had have fifty members of the branch enrolled on the HMO last year and presently we have Forty Six members enrolled. The Committee from time to time ensures that members have seamless process and access to the HMO facilities.

### **COVID-19 FOOD PALLIATIVES**

The lockdown of the country due to COVID-19 posed challenges for citizens, including colleagues.

Senior members of the branch contributed handsomely to provide palliatives to members of the branch.

The management and distribution of the palliative was handled by the Exco and the Welfare committee was represented by the welfare secretary of the branch. The branch distributed 1,350 packs of food palliatives to one thousand three hundred and fifty (1,350) members of the branch and also gave Cash Palliatives N8, 950, 000 (Eight Million, Nine Hundred and Five Thousand Naira) to 895 Young Lawyers during the Lockdown caused by the Corona Virus Pandemic. The committee occasionally sends out health tips through the posting of flyers on different platforms. The committee is grateful to all our distinguished members that contributed to provide palliatives for our members.

### **FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE TO BEREAVED FAMILIES**

S/N	NAME	AMOUNT	COMMENTS
1	Mrs Kehinde Stella Iwenya	N100,000	Active Member of the Branch. No notification from the Family as regards her burial so the Branch was not represented at the Burial.
2	Mrs. Ngozi Charity Okonkwo	N100, 000	An active member of the Branch. Death took place during the lockdown so the Branch could not attend the Burial.
3	Mr. Yemi Akangbe	N50, 000	The Exco participated in the Burial ceremony of his beloved mum in Ibadan.
4	Mrs Uche Ikwueme	N100, 000	An active member and former treasurer of the Branch. The Exco paid a condolence visit to the Family and attended the Requiem Mass in her

S/N	NAME	AMOUNT	COMMENTS
			honour in Lagos but couldn't attend the burial in her Home Town due to total lockdown caused by the End SARS protest.
5	Mrs. Olabisi Akodu	N100, 000	An active member but the Branch could not attend the Burial due to the lockdown.
6	Mr. Ugboma	N100, 000	Husband to our very active member Mrs. Stella Ugboma, OON. The branch paid condolence visit and attended the funeral rites held in Lagos.
7	Ms. Richardba Dawarifaa Bob Manuel	N100, 000	An active Young lawyer of the branch. The branch was represented at the commendation service held in her honour in Lagos.
8	Mrs. Olubode Ibitayo Ayomide	N100, 000	An active member of the Branch. The branch was not properly notified about the burial programmes.
9	Mr. Reuben Udemgba	N100, 000	An active members of the branch. The branch attended his burial outside Lagos
10	Mrs. Kehinde Evbuoma	N100, 000	An active member of the Branch. The branch attended her funeral rites in Lagos
11	Chief Ziggy Azike Life Bencher	N100, 000	A life Bencher and an active member of the Branch. The Branch participated in all the funeral programmes held in his honour both in Lagos and Owerri.
12	Mr. Gerald Onyiuke	N100, 000	An active member of the branch. The branch participated in his funeral rites in Lagos
13	Senator Onyeabo Obi, Life Bencher	N100, 000	A life bencher and a very senior member of the branch. The branch paid a condolence visit in Lagos but was unable to attend the burial due to Covid 19 restrictions
14	Mr. Tochukwu Chukwumerije	N100, 000	An active member and former Asst Secretary of the Branch. The branch paid a condolence visit to the family in Lagos and also attended his funeral rites in Abia State
15	Mr. Benjamin Azi	N100, 000	An active member of the Branch. The branch was not properly notified about the burial programme



S/N	NAME	AMOUNT	COMMENTS
16	Mr. Olusegun Odubela, SAN	N100, 000	An active member of the Branch. The Branch participated in all the funeral rites held in his honour both in Lagos and Ikenne Ogun State
17	Mr. Obi Kere Bede Onyeso	N50, 000	The branch gave him a token for the death his spouse.
18	Ms. Lynda Amaka Nweke	N100, 000	An active member of the Branch. The Branch participated in her funeral rites both in Lagos and Anambra.
19	Mrs. Nkiruka Josephine Amaechi	N150, 000	An Active member of the Branch. The branch participated in all the funeral rites held in her honour both in Lagos and Anambra.
20	Mr. Baptist Babatunde Coker	N100, 000	The Branch participated in the service of songs in Lagos and Launch held in his honour.
21	Shaka Mustapha	N100, 000	The Branch could not participate in his burial rites as the information got to the Branch very late.

#### MEDICAL FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE TO MEMBERS OF THE BRANCH

S/N	NAMES	AMOUNT	COMMENT
1	Mr. Paul Ikenna Eze	N300, 000	Medical Assistance for Brain Surgery
2	Shakiru Eletu	N250, 000	Medical Assistantce for artificial Leg surgery
3	Ujah Augustine Benedict	N250, 000	Medical Assistance
4	Lateef Bamidele	N150, 000	Medical Assistance for Bone thigh surgery
5	Ekanem Nakande	N150, 000	Medical Assistance for Surgery

#### PAYMENT OF LIFE INSURANCE BENEFITS

The branch successfully processed the life insurance benefits of One Million Naira (#1,000,000.00) of onedeceased member of the branch who subscribed for the branch Life Insurance Scheme while Five deceased members life insurance payment is still pending & also successfully processed 8 deceased members life insurance claims from the NBA (National) while we have 4 pending payments.

#### FORMATION OF WHATSAPP ELDERS FORUM

The committee found the need to establish close contact with the elders of the branch and provide a platform for better and more informed relationship with the elders of the branch.



### RECOMMENDATIONS

- The committee recommends that a welfare fund for the branch should be opened and managed by the committee with modalities approved by the Exco.
- Establishment of a welfare desk at the branch secretariat.
- Implementation of housing scheme for members.

### CONTINUING PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

The CPD Committee (the Committee) chaired by Mr. Tobenna Erojikwe, continued with its pacesetting work throughout the year.

It held one hour Knowledge Sharing Sessions (KSS) at every meeting of the Branch with renowned legal practitioners from various parts of the world including the United Kingdom and the United States of America as guest speakers, providing insights on contemporary legal issues for the benefit of members of the Branch.

The Committee also secured the accreditation of its KSS by the NBA Institute of Continuing Legal Education (NBA-ICLE) with 1 CPD point allocated to each of the KSS participants.

On the 2nd and 3rd of March 2021, the Committee collaborated with the NBA-ICLE in organizing an IP, Media and Tech Academy training that saw 5,780 lawyers from across Nigeria participate. The Faculty and coordinators of the training were all members of the Branch.

Between March and May 2021 the Committee collaborated with the NBA-ICLE in organizing a groundbreaking 15-day Energy Law and Policy training that had over 4,000 lawyers participate. All the facilitators at the training session and coordinators were members of the Branch.

On the 25th and 26th of March 2021, the Committee collaborated with the NBA-ICLE in organizing a 2-day tax law training which had 3,529 lawyers in attendance. All the facilitators and coordinators of the training were members of the Branch.

The Committee successfully organized the 100 lawyer training and certification program that had 100 members of the Branch certified as associates of the Chartered Institute of Arbitration (UK). The Branch subsidized the training by providing the venue for the training, refreshments and paying the Naira element of the cost of the training with 100 members of the Branch getting a direct benefit of N45,000.00 each making an unprecedented aggregate contribution of N4.5 million to the members that participated.

A subsequent training and assessment program was organized by the CPD Committee in collaboration with the Chartered Institute of Arbitrators (UK). This phase saw about 50 members of the Branch become associates of the Chartered Institute of Arbitrators (UK).

The Committee continued its monitoring of its 120 man mentorship initiative.

The Committee has also concluded arrangements with the National Institute of Legislative Drafting and Democratic Studies for the training and certification of members of the Branch in Legislative Drafting.

### DISCIPLINARY & ETHICS COMMITTEE

- 1.1. Please find hereunder a report of the activities of the Disciplinary and Ethics Committee of the Lagos Branch as at the 28th of July 2021, which marks the end of the tenure of the Administration.

The Committee held its first meeting on the 29th of November 2019 during which the following issues were discussed;



- (a) The objectives of the Committee;
- (b) The Committee's plan of action;
- (c) Status of work commenced by the previous committee;
- (d) Review of new and pending petitions;
- (e) Guidelines and procedures for hearing petitions;
- (f) Constitution of panels;
- (g) Organization of an induction sessions for new wigs.

To aid neutrality and to ensure that the Committee is set up in a way that allows members to recuse themselves in situations where they have a relationship with a Respondent, it was resolved that the Committee be divided into panels. Based on the number of members (14), the Committee was divided into two panels.

- 1.2. As at the 29th of November 2019, the Committee had received twenty three (23) petitions. Twelve of the Petitions were assigned to panel A, whilst Eleven (11) were assigned to panel B.
- 1.3. Upon being constituted, the panels were mandated to carry out a review of the Petitions and come up with a Preliminary Report. After the exercise, the Preliminary Reports were turned in by the respective panels with recommendations made on each Petition reviewed. Some petitions were identified to be spurious and unfounded, whilst some required additional information. It was also noted that some of the Petitions were inextricably connected to cases which were still pending in court and were therefore related to matters that were sub-judice. Based on the foregoing, the said Petitions were summarily dismissed:
- 1.4. In accordance with the ad-hoc rules of procedure adopted by the Committee, a copy of the Petition was sent to all the Respondents through DHL Courier service by the Secretary of the Committee. All the Respondents were directed to send in their respective responses to the branch secretariat within fourteen (14) days of receiving the Petition. In accordance with the issued directives, some of the Respondents sent in their responses within the stipulated time, whilst others did not. Upon receipt of the Response, the Secretary sent copies of same to the Petitioners through DHL Courier service and directed them to file a Reply within seven (7) days of receiving the Responses.
- 1.5. However, due to the covid -19 lock down, the Secretariat of the branch was closed for a considerable length of time. This made it impracticable for some of the Petitioners to send in their Replies within the stipulated time. Invariably, this affected the scheduling of the hearings by the respective panels.
- 1.6. The respective panels considered the petitions which were ripe for hearing on the 17th and 18th of August 2020 and the 7th of September 2020.
- 1.7. At a full plenary session of the Committee which was convened on the 13th of November 2020, the Committee reviewed the reports and thereafter adopted same. Based on the reports, the Committee found that a prima facie case of professional negligence had been established against three members of the Branch;

We then requested that the Petitions and Committee's resolution be forwarded to the Legal Practitioners Disciplinary Committee in accordance with the provisions of Order 4 of the Legal Practitioners (Disciplinary Committee) Rules.

Two Petitions which were filed against members of the branch were found to be unmeritorious and were accordingly dismissed.

In the first quarter of 2020, the Committee received ten (10) Petitions.



- 1.8. The Petitions were sent to all the Respondents with a request that they file their respective responses within a stipulated period. The Petitions were scheduled to be assigned to the panels as soon as pleadings were received. We had anticipated that these Petitions would all be determined on or before the 31st of March 2021.
- 1.9. However, during the course of the National Executive Committee (NEC) meeting of the Nigerian Bar Association which was held in Uyo, the President of the Association (Mr. Olumide Akpata) drew the attention of the meeting to a recent amendment to the Legal Practitioners Disciplinary Committee Rules and its effect on the jurisdiction of the various branch committee's to look into Petitions filed against members of its respective branches. The new Rules, which repealed the 2006 Rules, were made pursuant to the powers conferred by section 10(7) of the Legal Practitioners Act, CAP L11, Laws of the Federation of Nigeria 2004 by the Chief Justice of Nigeria. Hon. Justice Ibrahim Tanko Muhammed.
- 1.10. The alteration of the procedure for treating petitions under the new rules, has now ousted the jurisdiction of the committee's of the respective branches to review petitions filed against its members, (to establish whether a prima facie case has been made out) before the Petitions are transmitted to the Legal Practitioner's Disciplinary Committee.

#### Legal Practitioners Disciplinary Committee Rules 2020

- 2.0 The commencement date for the Rules is the 5th of March 2020 and it is cited and referred to as the Legal Practitioners Disciplinary Committee Rules 2020. It was published in the official gazette of the Federal Republic of Nigeria, No. 40, Vol. 107 on the 24th of March 2020.
- 2.1 In the 2006 Rules, Petitions against Legal Practitioners are referred to as "a complaint". Rule 3 (2) of the 2006 Rules provides as follows:
 

***"A complaint received by any of the persons specified in sub rule (1) of this rule shall be forwarded to the Nigeria Bar Association which shall cause the complaint to be investigated"***
- 2.2 The 2006 Rules empowers the committees of the local branches of the Nigerian Bar Association to investigate such complain/ petition received by the branch. This provision has been deleted from the Legal Practitioners Disciplinary Committee rules of 2020 and has been replaced with Rule 4 (2) which provide as follows:
 

***"An originating application received by any of the persons specified in sub-rule (1) of this rule shall be forwarded within 30 days thereafter to the legal practitioner's disciplinary committee which shall cause the originating application to be considered in the manner hereinafter provided."***
- 2.3 The Procedure for hearing the Originating Application is stipulated Order 5 rules (1) to (5) of the new rules. By virtue of the amendment, all originating applications are now required to be considered by a single member of the LPDC, who is referred to as ("the initial committee member") based on the directive of the Chairman of the LPDC. If the afore-mentioned initial Committee member is of the view that there is a case to answer in respect of any or all of the allegations made, the initial Committee member is required to refer the application to a full panel of the LPDC for a full hearing. There are no saving provisions in the rules, which allows our Committee to proceed with part heard matters.
- 2.4 Based on the foregoing, the Committee held a meeting at which we reviewed the provisions of the 2020 Rules and resolutions were passed confirming that our Committee no longer had jurisdiction to review petitions filed against members of the Branch.



- 2.5 Consequently, we notified the Chairman of the Branch and thereafter notified all Petitioners to re-file their petitions in accordance with the provisions of the Legal Practitioners Disciplinary Committee 2020.

**Mrs. Adedoyin Rhodes-Vivour, SAN, C.Arb.**  
Chairman

**Mr. Olumayowa A. Owolabi**  
Secretary

### **ELEVATION TO SILK**

The Premier Bar again led the way with a record highest number of new silks from any branch in the country. Members of the branch who took silk are immediate past Chairman of the branch, Chukwuka Ikwuazom, SAN; Mahmud Kola Adesin, SAN; Lotanna Chuka Okoli, SAN; Taiye Abimbola Oladipo, SAN, Ukachi Fredrick Onuobia, SAN, Joseph Nnabuezeh, SAN, Boma Florence Alabi, SAN, Lawrence Fubars Anga, SAN.

Others are Robert Egwuno Emukpoeruo, SAN, Jean Chiazor Anishere, SAN, Uzoma Henry Azikiwe, SAN, Osayaba Omorodion, SAN, Yusuf Asamah Kadiri, SAN, Adedapo O. Tunde Olowu, SAN, Fatai Ajibola Dalley, SAN, Babatunde John K Ogala, SAN, Bashorun Oluwatoyin Ajoke, SAN, Oladapo Akande Akinosun, SAN, Prof. Bolaji Owansonye, SAN, Prof. Joseph Abugu, SAN.

The branch celebrates these distinguished lawyers who have carved a niche for themselves in the legal profession in the country.

### **NATIONAL EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETINGS**

The Statutory Members of the National Executive Committee ("NEC") of the Branch includes Yemi Akangbe (Chairman) and Moshood Abiola (Secretary) and Chukwuka Ikwuazom SAN (NEC Representative)

Between August 2020 and June 2021 there were five meetings of National Executive Committee. The first was the pre-conference NEC Meeting of 20th August, 2020 which held online because of the Covid 19 Pandemic. Next was the emergency National Executive Committee meeting of 22nd October 2020 was also held online. It was followed by the NEC Meeting of 15th December, 2020 of the Nigerian Bar Association which held at the NBA Auditorium, NBA House, Abuja, the NEC Meeting of 18th March, 2021 at Uyo, Akwa Ibom State and NEC Meeting of 24th June, 2021 at the NBA Auditorium, NBA House, Abuja.

The NEC meeting reports have always been sent to members via email along with notices of the monthly meetings of the branch.

### **CONCLUSION**

It has been the greatest honor of my life to serve as Secretary, NBA Lagos Branch and I want to place on record my deep gratitude to members of our great branch for the opportunity to serve. It has been an absolute pleasure and privilege.

I wish the new Executive Committee all the very best as they start their journey today.

God bless the Premier Branch.

**Moshood Abiola**  
Secretary (July 2019 – July 2021)  
Nigerian bar Association  
Lagos Branch  
30th July, 2021





## TREASURER'S REPORT

### NIGERIAN BAR ASSOCIATION, LAGOS BRANCH

To: The Annual General Meeting  
 From: The Branch Treasurer  
 Date: 30th July 2021  
 Subject: Financial Statement for the year ended 31st May, 2021

#### INTRODUCTION

The Chairman, Distinguished members of the Executive Committee, Learned Senior Advocates, Honourable Benchers, Seniors and Fellow Colleagues. It is my honour to present to you the financial position for the year 2020/2021 from the months of 1st June 2020 to 31st May 2021. The Audited account and reports of our external auditors Messrs Olu Aladejebi & Co have been forwarded to you via email and through the Branch's whatsapp platforms. These documents are also contained in the A.G.M Financial Report. Below are the significant figures indicative of the Branch financial performance in the year under review.

HIGHLIGHT	2020 (N)	2021 (N)	DIFFERENCE	%
Net Worth of the Branch	574,641,572	613,402,335	38,760,763	7%
Membership Subscription (Branch Dues only)	43,812,423	58,924,990	15,112,567	34%
Insurance Premium	10,719,550	13,468,800	2,749,250	26%
Share of Practice Fee	13,817,450	14,496,500	679,050	5%
Cash & Cash equivalent	366,019,200	220,420,065	-145,599,135	40%
Income	100,778,295	95,339,460	-5,438,835	-5%
Expenditure	30,591,627	54,984,680	24,393,053	80%
Staff Cost & Welfare	6,349,342	8,808,699	3,013,000	39%
Members Welfare	8,737,000	11,750,000	6,799,900	34%
Investments	5,921,125	160,003,880	154,082,755	2602%

#### NETWORTH:

The net book value of the branch is the sum of ₦613,402,335 which shows an increase on last year's result of ₦574,641,572. This is an increase of ₦38,760,763 representing a percentage increase of 7%.

#### MEMBERS SUBSCRIPTION AND INSURANCE PREMIUM:

This represents subscription of branch dues by financial members for the year commencing 1st June, 2020 to 31st May, 2021. This is an increase of ₦15,112,567 representing a percentage increase of 34%.

Note that it was decided by the Finance and General Purposes committee that branch dues and insurance be accounted for separately and this is the reason why it is split in the table above. The insurance figures represents both life and health insurance premiums. Thus insurance premium increased by ₦2,749,250 which represents an increase of 26%.



### **BRANCH SHARE OF PRACTICE FEE**

The branch was paid the sum of ₦13,817,450 in the month of April 2020 representing 10% Administrative Share of the Bar Practising fee paid by its members for the year 2020. This payment shows a drop from last year's payment by 0.21%.

### **CASH BALANCE**

At the close of business as at May 31st 2021, the branch's cash and cash equivalent stood at ₦220,420,065. This shows a decrease of ₦145,599,135 from last year's figure, which is a 40% decrease over last year's result of ₦366,019,200. This is as a result of on going construction work on Bar Centre building at Lekki.

### **INCOME**

An income of ₦95,339,460 was recorded by the branch for the year ended May 31st 2021. This represents a 5% decrease over last year's result of ₦100,778,295 resulting in a differential of ₦5,438,835.

### **EXPENDITURE**

An outflow of ₦54,984,680 was incurred by the branch as operating and general expenses covering the year under review. This represents a percent 80% increase over last year's expenditure of ₦30,591,627. This is as result of acquisition of database management system and sage50 accounting software; increase in cost of training and welfare support to members of the branch.

### **STAFF COST & STAFF WELFARE**

The sum of ₦8,808,699 were spent on salaries and welfare package during the year under review. This is an increase of ₦2,459,357 over the preceding year representing an increase by 39%. This is from accumulated Staff pension and PAYE which was cleared during the year, this has contributed to the increase.

### **MEMBERS WELFARE**

The branch during the year under review spent the sum of ₦11,750,000 as donations to members under the following headings:

- a. The Covid 19 food palliative. It is important to note here that the cash palliative has been disbursed.
- b. Financial assistance to members with medical emergencies.
- c. Payment to families of late members.

This is an increase of ₦3,013,000 over the preceding year representing an increase by 34%.

### **INVESTMENT**

As at the point of reporting this year's financial year-end, the Branch had ₦160,003,880 short term investment with investment company as follow:

- a. Polaris Bank Fixed Deposit investment of ₦5,869,251 at the rate of 0.25% per annum.
- b. Meristem Wealth Management Fixed Deposit investment of ₦ 51,564,123 at the rate of 4% per annum.
- c. Advance Finance Company Ltd Fixed Deposit investment of ₦ 51,331,507 at the rate of 6% per annum.
- d. Comercio Partners Asset Management Fixed Deposit investment of ₦51,238,999 at the rate of 5.5% per annum.

Below is a summary of the financial report.

### CURRENT CASH & BANK BALANCES

S/N	BANK/E-WALLET	ACCOUNT NAME	AMOUNT ₦
1.	Polaris Bank Plc.	Project	29,802
2.	Polaris Bank Plc.	Welfare	718,256
3.	First Bank Ltd.	General	4,397,294
4.	Access Bank Plc.	Main	37,186,111
5.	Access Bank Plc.	Events	354,257
6.	Access Bank Plc.	Bar Centre	17,623,878
7.	Access Bank Plc.	Young Lawyers	106,586
<b>TOTAL</b>			<b>60,416,185</b>

### INVESTMENT AS AT 31ST MAY 2020

S/N	BANK/INSTITUTION	INVESTMENT TYPE	RATE	AMOUNT ₦
1	Polaris Bank (Fixed Deposit)	Fixed Deposit	0.25%	5,869,251
2	Meristem Wealth Management	Fixed Deposit	4%	51,564,123
3	Advance Finance Company Ltd.	Fixed Deposit	6%	51,331,507
4	Comercio Partners Asset Management	Fixed Deposit	5.5%	51,238,999
5	FBN Holding Plc.	22,640 units of shares	₦ 5.35	121,125
<b>TOTAL</b>				<b>160,125,005</b>

### PAYABLES & ACCRUALS

S/N	NAME	DESCRIPTION	AMOUNT ₦	REMARKS
1	Olu Aladejebi	Audit fee 2021	400,000.00	Pending
2	Rent	For the Secretariat (Dec. 2019 - Nov. 2020)	1,500,000.00	Pending
3	Health Insurance Premium (HMO)	2021 member's health insurance scheme	858,300.00	Paid
4	Group life insurance premium	2021 member's life insurance premium	3,094,505	Paid
5	Fresible Company Limited	Database management system Development	3,580,695	Paid
6	Pension	Staff pension for May, 2021	101,639	Paid
<b>TOTAL</b>			<b>9,535,139</b>	

**RECEIVABLES & PREPAYMENT**

S/N	NAME	DESCRIPTION	AMOUNT ₦	REMARKS
1.	Staff Loan	Secretariat Staff	355,000.00	<i>This is the outstanding receivables on loans given to two secretariat staff members.</i>
2.	Share of Bar Practice Fee	2021 share of 10% BPF	14,496,500	<i>The amount has been received in the month of July, 2021.</i>
<b>TOTAL</b>			<b>14,851,500</b>	

**EXPENDITURE ON CONSTRUCTION OF BAR CENTER AS AT 31ST MAY 2021**

S/N	BANK/INSTITUTION	AMOUNT ₦
1	Planning consultant fees	5,500,000
2	Architectural design (Payment on Account)	5,000,000.00
3	Lagos state government Building Plan Approval	4,229,633
4	Structural construction work (First phase)	134,000,000.00
5	Consultancy fee for independent Quantity Surveyor	4,607,513.03
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>150,337,146</b>

We have managed and accounted for all funds entrusted to us and have continued the tradition of accountability and transparency that we inherited from the previous administration. This administration has during the financial year under review, rendered financial reports on the income and expenditure of the Branch at all monthly meetings.

For a proper understanding of the financial statement which was prepared in line with with International Financial Reporting Standard for non-profit making organizations, it is important to define the following terms:

**Receipt:** These are all sources of fund flow to the organization and how they are categorized.

**Expenditure:** These are either recurrent or capital expenses incurred to carry out the branch's activities. They are further classified into special events and administration.

**Net Asset:** In line with international financial reporting standard is the branch's net fund balance.

**Current Asset:** These are liabilities that are less than one year and necessary provision made on them.

**Non Current Asset:** This represents asset with useful life of more than one year.





### APPRECIATION

I would like to start by appreciating every member of the Executive Committee with whom I have had the privilege of working with in the past two years. Special thanks also go to the Finance and General purposes committee of the Branch for spending time in ensuring that the financial statements were up to standard and that income and expenses were properly accounted for.

I thank you sincerely, our distinguished colleagues for your cooperation and donations despite the recession in the country occasioned by the Covid 19 pandemic. I want to specially thank all our donors for the monthly meetings, the Annual Law week, the Covid 19 welfare initiative and our young lawyers' training programmes. Your donations have enabled us as an Executive Committee to subsidize international trainings for our members and also reach out to assist our members in the wake of the Covid 19 pandemic in addition to other welfare activities. Once again, I say thank you.

In the two years of being Treasurer, I have come to appreciate the technical requirements to properly function in the office of Treasurer of the Branch. This is particularly with respect to figures, financial transactions and mathematical computations. I have therefore put together a Treasurer's handbook drawn from my experience and my technical knowledge and expertise in the area of accounting. The Handbook explains the duties of a Treasurer, budgeting, management of Branch funds, Treasurer's checklist and has a glossary of terms explaining common financial terminologies. This is my humble contribution to the Premier Bar to aid future occupants of the office of Treasurer in the efficient, effective and transparent discharge of their duties.

I also use this medium to appreciate the entire staff of the branch.

It has been an interesting journey and I am truly grateful for the honour and privilege to have been of service to NBA Lagos Branch, proudly called the Premier Bar.

God bless you all for your continual commitment to the promotion of the interest of the branch.

Thank you.

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "Foluke O. Akinmoladun".

**Foluke O. Akinmoladun**  
Treasurer



## 2021 ANNUALS REPORT OF THE FINANCE & GENERAL PURPOSES COMMITTEE (NBA LAGOS BRANCH AUDIT COMMITTEE)

**PERIOD COVERED:** July 2020 to July, 2021

**CHAIRMAN:** Mr. Dayo Idowu

### OBJECTIVES OF THE COMMITTEE:

The objectives of the Committee are as follows:

1. To prepare the annual budget of the Branch for consideration by the Executive Committee and subsequent approval by the Branch in General meeting
2. Explore means and ways of raising funds
3. Pursue of all dues, debts and pledges owed to the Branch
4. Advise on investment of the funds of the Branch
5. Receive and examine the Management/Financial accounts prepared periodically by the Treasurer
6. Liaise with external auditors for the audit of the Accounts of the Branch
7. Deal with any matters that the Branch or Executive Committee may refer to it from time to time

### MEMBERSHIP

Based on the attendance at meetings in the course of the year, the following persons constituted the membership of the Committee:

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|--------------------------|---------------------|
| 1. Dayo Idowu            | Chairman            |
| 2. Oyinkan Alakija       | Secretary           |
| 3. Foluke Akinmoladun    | Treasurer           |
| 4. Chinenye Oragwu       | Financial Secretary |
| 5. Victor Nwakasi        | Member              |
| 6. Philip Njeteneh       | Member              |
| 7. Ozofo Ogiemudia       | Member              |
| 8. Mazi Okechukwu Unegbu | Member              |
| 9. Nnamdi Ukamba         | Member              |
| 10. Caroline Obi         | Member              |
| 11. Alewo Etuk           | Member              |
| 12. Joy Nzube            | Member              |
| 13. Okechukwu Unegbu     | Member              |
| 14. Godson Ugochukwu     | Member              |

### MEETINGS OF THE COMMITTEE

Due to the COVID-19 Pandemic in the year 2020 and its consequent effect on the activities of the Committee, the Committee could not meet as often as it should have to deliberate on issues relating to the Branch. However, the committee held 3 meetings in the course of the year between July, 2020 and July, 2021.

### ACTIVITIES OF THE COMMITTEE

In line with its objectives, the Committee deliberated on the following matters in the course of the year..

1. Review of Investment Proposals from Fund Managers
2. Review of Audited financial statements of the year ended
3. Review of Auditor's Report

### RECOMMENDATIONS AND RESOLUTIONS

Flowing from the deliberations of the Committee, the following are summaries of some recommendations made:

1. That the following fund managers be appointed as the Branch's Investment managers:
  - i. STANBIC IBTC
  - ii. Commercio
  - iii. Meristem
  - iv. Cardinal Stone.
2. That Branch's investments be diversified and invested as follows:
  - i. STANBIC IBTC - One Hundred and Fifty Million Naira Only (N150,000,000)
  - ii. Commercio - Fifty Million Naira Only (N50,000,000).
  - iii. Meristem - Fifty Million Naira Only (N50,000,000).
  - iv. Cardinal Stone - Fifty Million Naira Only (N50,000,000).
3. Setting up of E-filing system for the Branch to ensure better record keeping and handover of Branch documents.
4. Approval of COVID-19 Welfare packages to members.
5. Approval of the 202/2021 budget.
6. Change of signatories to the Branch's First Bank account..
7. Appointment of Branch accountant for the secretariat.
8. Resolution adopting the audited Financial Statement for the year ended.

### ONGOING MATTERS

The following matters are ongoing:

1. To depose to an Affidavit on behalf of the Branch in order to gain the ownership of the Branch's First Bank shares for the purpose of liquidating same.
2. To access the Branch's Vogue pay wallet funds and liquidate the wallet.

**Dayo Idowu**  
Chairman

**Oyinkan Alakija**  
Secretary



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**July 27, 2021**

The Chairman,  
Nigerian Bar Association (Lagos Branch)  
NBA – Lagos Branch Office  
Suite 105/108 West wing,  
1st floor, City Hall,  
Catholic Mission Street,  
Lagos - Island, Lagos.

**Dear Sir,**

## **NIGERIAN BAR ASSOCIATION (LAGOS BRANCH): MANAGEMENT LETTER**

We have completed our audit of the annual financial statements for the year ended 31 May 2021 and we wish to record our appreciation for the assistance given to us by the treasurer and the entire administrative staff.

We reviewed and evaluated the system of accounting records in order to establish the nature, timing and extent of auditing procedures necessary for expressing an opinion on the financial statements.

Our audit of the financial statements for the year ended 31 May 2021 would not necessarily disclose all weaknesses in the system because it is based on selective tests of accounting records.

This report summarises certain observations and recommendations which resulted from our audit. The implementation of these recommendations should assist management in improving internal accounting controls/records.

Finally, we shall be pleased to discuss and explain these recommendations and to provide the assistance you may require to put them into effect.

This report is provided on the basis that it is for your information only and that it will not be copied or disclosed to any third party or otherwise quoted or referred to, in whole or in part, without Olu Aladejebi & Co.'s prior written consent.

Thank you.

Yours faithfully,

**FOR: OLU ALADEJEBI & CO.**

**Olufemi Aladejebi**





**NIGERIAN BAR ASSOCIATION  
MANAGEMENT REPORT ON THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MAY, 2021.**

**ACCOUNTING SOFTWARE**

**Observation**

During the audit exercise, we were informed that the association have registered with an accounting software provider but it was noticed that the association is yet to commence the usage of the accounting software

**Effects**

It gives easy ways of keeping accounting records and provision of accounting reports that will aid the decisions of the executive members (i.e. Balance Sheet, Cash flow Projection, etc.).

**Recommendations**

The association should be work on commencing the usage of the accounting software package.

**Treasurer's Response**

The accounting software acquired has been installed, the training of the secretariat staffs on the usage of the software is on going, the software will be put into use as soon as the training is concluded as the financial report of the year will be used as opening entries.

**FIXED ASSET REGISTER**

**Observation**

We also noticed that the association is yet to maintain a comprehensive fixed assets register or schedule.

**Recommendation.**

We highly recommend again that the association should maintain fixed assets register and also tag all the assets to restrict any unauthorized movement of assets.

**Treasurer's Response**

We have opened fixed assets register, though due to Endsars protest which resulted in vandalization of The Association office at city hall, we were unable to gather documents relating to existing fixed assets before the vandalization. We have put a plan in place for the tagging of all the available fixed asset and to maintain comprehensive fixed asset register.



## STAFF FILE

### Observation

While going through the staff files, it was noticed that most of the documents that were supposed to be in the staff file (i.e. credentials, passport, guarantor's form etc) were missing. Though, we were informed that the office was vandalized during last year general protest in the country which got almost all documents destroyed.

### Recommendation:

The association should inform her staffs to provide all necessary documents.

### Treasurer's response:

We have prepared a comprehensive employees handbook which will be a guide on employees' related matters, all documents that are needed in every staff file has been listed in the handbook, and every staff will be mandated to provide all necessary documents as soon as the handbook is put into use.

## MEMO

### Observation:

We observed that some memos that was raised/written were having the authorized persons' on them but were not signed especially the ones for the construction.

### Recommendation:

We advise that all memos should be signed by the authorized persons including the date on it.

### Treasurer's response:

The signed memos for construction of Bar centre building was not in the Secretariat at the time of audit, a copy of the signed memo will be forwarded to you.

## PAYROLL

### Observation:

During the exercise, we noticed that the association doesn't have any payroll of her staffs for the accounting year.

### Recommendation:

We advise that, staff payroll should be prepared on a monthly basis.



**Treasurer's response:**

This is duly noted, as monthly payroll schedule will be henceforth accompany all monthly salary payment.

**BANK RECONCILIATION**

**Observation:**

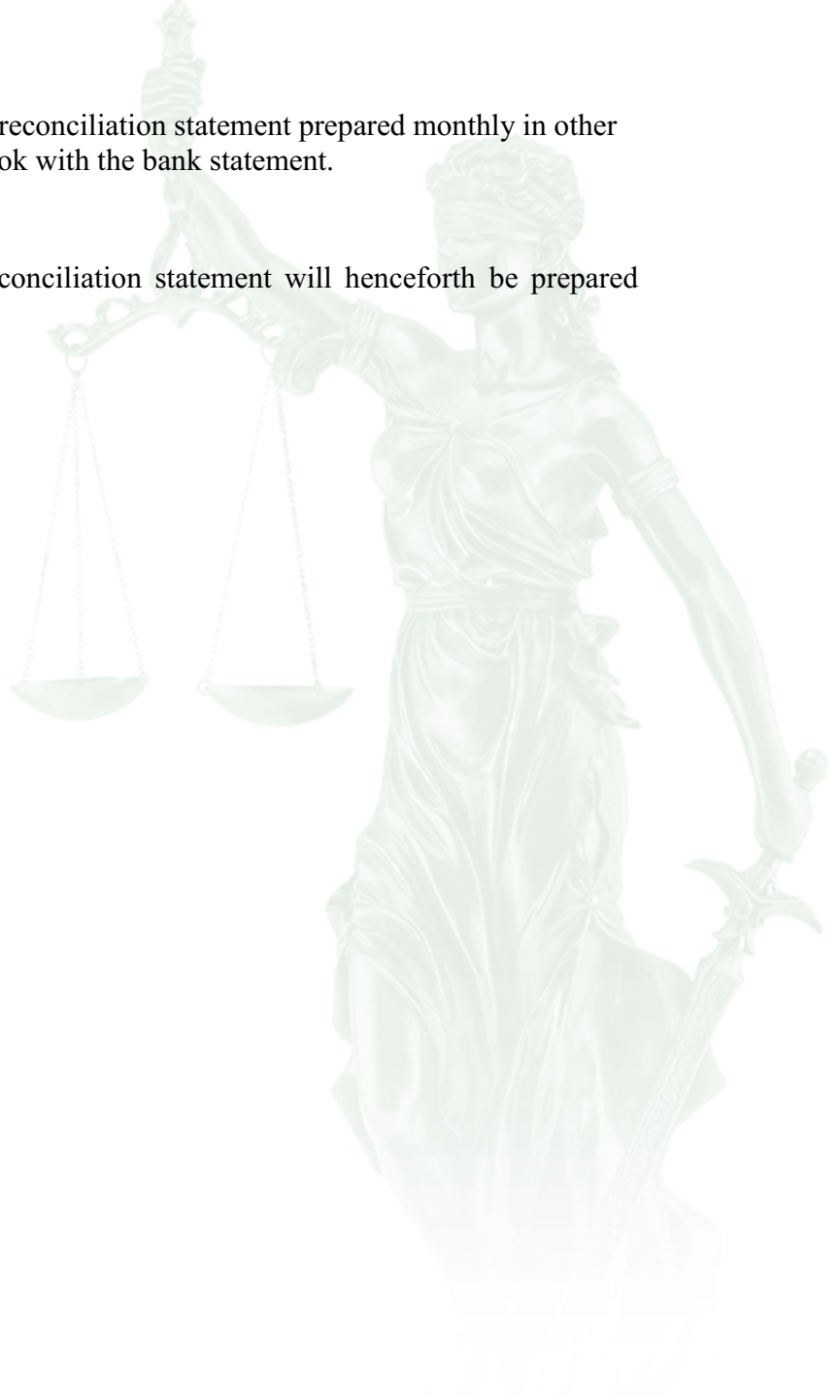
It was observed that the association doesn't prepare bank reconciliation statement.

**Recommendation:**

We advise there should be a bank reconciliation statement prepared monthly in order to ascertain the balance in cash book with the bank statement.

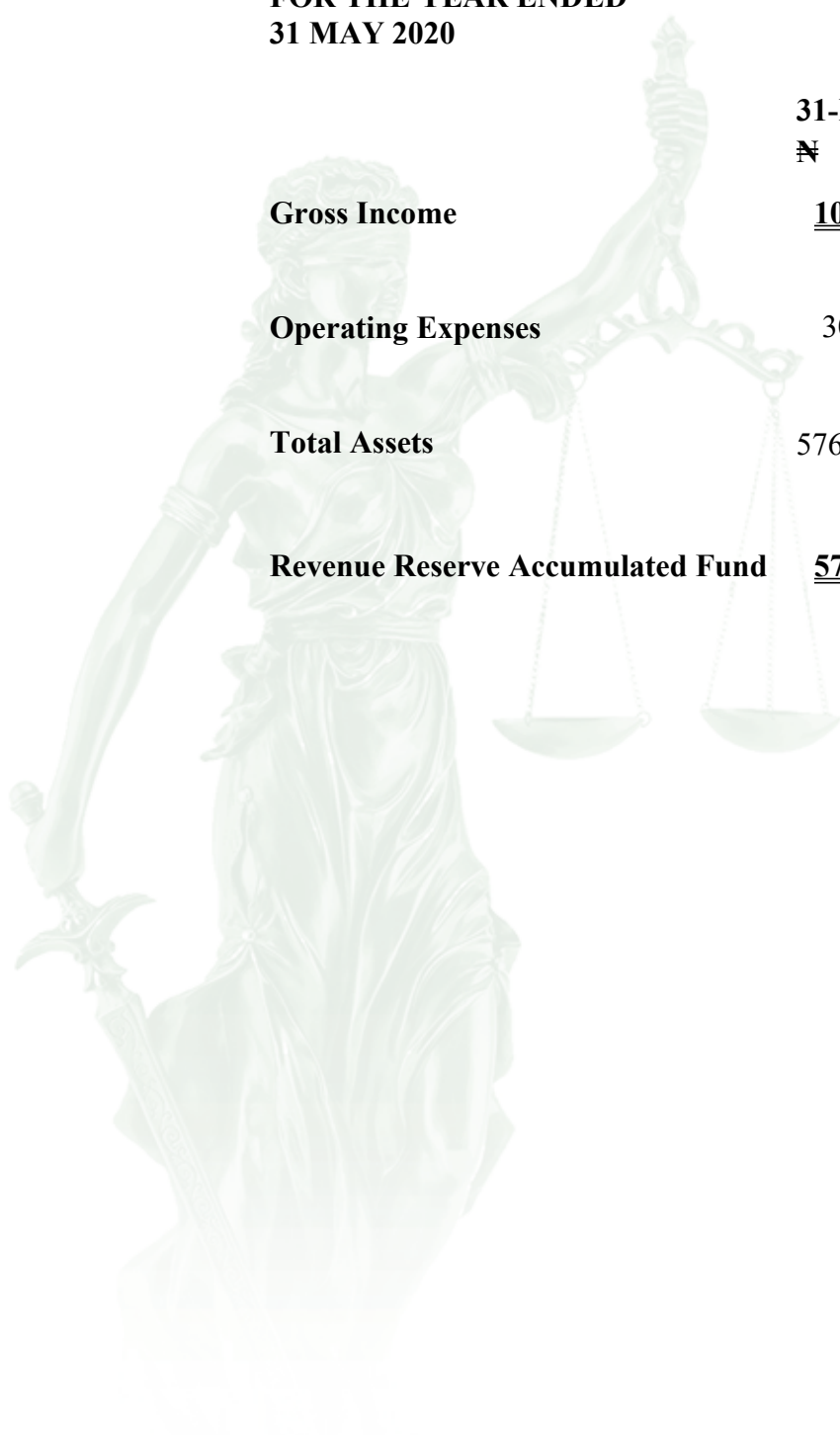
**Treasurer's response:**

This is duly noted, as a bank reconciliation statement will henceforth be prepared monthly.





**NIGERIAN BAR ASSOCIATION  
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RESULTS AT A GLANCE  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED  
31 MAY 2020**

A faint, light green background image of Lady Justice, the personification of the law. She is depicted as a woman wearing a blindfold, holding a scale of justice in her left hand and a sword in her right hand.

	<b>31-May-20</b>	<b>31-May-19</b>
	<b>₦</b>	<b>₦</b>
<b>Gross Income</b>	<b><u>100,778,295</u></b>	<b><u>96,863,913</u></b>
<b>Operating Expenses</b>	30,591,627	21,384,379
<b>Total Assets</b>	576,541,572	507,311,904
<b>Revenue Reserve Accumulated Fund</b>	<b><u>574,641,572</u></b>	<b><u>504,454,904</u></b>





**EXECUTIVES AND CORPORATE INFORMATION**  
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**PRINCIPAL OFFICERS:**

Omoyemi Lateef Akangbe	Chairman
Moshood Abiola	Secretary
Okey Ilofulunwa	Vice Chairman
Foluke O. Akinmoladun	Treasurer
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#### INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

##### TO THE MEMBER OF NIGERIAN BAR ASSOCIATION (LAGOS BRANCH)

We have audited the financial statements set out on page 4 to 37, which have been prepared on the basis of the accounting policies.

##### Responsibilities of the Association and those charged with governance for the financial statements

In accordance with the provision of the Companies and Allied Matters Act CAP C20 2004, the association principal officers are responsible for the preparation and presentation of the financial statements that are free from material misstatement whether due to fraud or error.

##### Auditors' Responsibility

It is our responsibility to express an opinion on these financial statements based on our audit. We conducted our audit in accordance with generally accepted auditing standard. An audit includes the examination, on a test basis of evidence relevant to the amount and disclosure in the financial statement, including the assessment of the risk of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error. In making those risk assessments, the auditor considers internal control relevant to the entity's preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements in order to design audit procedure that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the entity's internal control. It also includes an assessment of the significant estimate and judgements made by the principal officers of the association in the preparation of the financial statements; and of whether the accounting policies are appropriate to the company's circumstances, consistently applied and adequately disclosed.

We believe that the evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our audit opinion.

##### Opinion

In our opinion, the financial statements give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the association as at 31st May, 2021 and of the excess on income over expenditure and cash flow for the year then ended, and have been properly prepared in accordance with the International Financial Reporting Standard (IFRS) and in manner required by the Company and Allied Matters Act, CAP C20 LFN 2004 as amended in 2020.

##### Report on Other Legal and Regulatory Requirements

Compliance with the requirements of schedule 6 of the Companies and Allied Matters Act of Nigeria. In our opinion, proper books of account have been kept by the association, so far as appears from our examination of those books and proper returns adequate for the purpose of our audit have been received by us. Additionally, the association's Statement of Financial Position and Statement of income and expenditure are in agreement with the books of account and returns.



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Olu Aladejebi & Co.

(Chartered Accountants)

Lagos, Nigeria.

July 27, 2021



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**STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION**

<b>Assets</b>	<b>Note</b>	<b>31-May-2021</b>	<b>31-May-2020</b>
<b>Non-current assets</b>		<b>₦</b>	<b>₦</b>
Property, plant and equipment	6	378,009,645	209,948,748
Financial assets at fair value through profit or loss	7	121,125	121,125
		<b>378,130,770</b>	<b>210,069,873</b>
<b>Current assets</b>			
Receivables and prepayment	8	14,851,500	452,500
Cash and cash equivalents	9	220,420,065	366,019,200
		<b>235,271,565</b>	<b>366,471,700</b>
<b>Total assets</b>		<b>613,402,335</b>	<b>576,541,573</b>
<b>Liabilities &amp; Accumulated Fund</b>			
Payables and accruals	10	9,535,139	1,900,000
Accumulated fund	11	403,867,197	374,641,573
Revaluation reserve		200,000,000	200,000,000
		<b>613,402,335</b>	<b>576,541,573</b>

CHAIRMAN

TREASURER

The accompanying notes form an integral part of these financial statements.



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**STATEMENT OF INCOME AND EXPENDITURE**

	Note	31-May-2021	31-May-2020
INCOME		₦	₦
Donation for NBA Lagos Palliative	28	100,000	6,600,000
Donation for Welfare	12	-	-
Donation/Grant		1,700,000	
Branch Dues	13i	58,924,990	43,812,423
Insurance Premium	13ii	13,468,800	10,719,550
Share of Practising Fees	14	14,496,500	13,817,450
Other Income	15	6,399,170	11,793,325
Income From Special Events	16	250,000	14,035,548
		<b>95,339,460</b>	<b>100,778,296</b>
EXPENSES			
NBA Lagos Branch Covid 19 Palliatives		8,950,000	-
NBA Database Mangement System development		6,080,695	-
Personnel Expenses	18ii	8,808,699	6,349,342
Insurance Premium		9,985,500	10,719,550
Depreciation		296,500	620,406
Other Operating Expenses	18ii	20,863,287	12,902,329
		<b>54,984,680</b>	<b>30,591,627</b>
Termination of Developer's Contract		-	-
<b>Surplus for the Year</b>		<b>40,354,780</b>	<b>70,186,669</b>
OTHER COMPREHENSIVE INCOME			
Items that will not be reclassified to profit or loss		-	-
Revaluation of property, plant and equipment		-	-
<b>Total comprehensive income for the year</b>		<b>40,354,780</b>	<b>70,186,669</b>

The accompanying notes form an integral part of these financial statements





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**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN FUND BALANCE**

	<b>Accumulated Fund ₦</b>	<b>Revaluation Reserve ₦</b>	<b>Total ₦</b>
Balance at June 2020	374,641,573	-	374,641,573
Statement of Income and Expenditure:			
Surplus/Deficits for the period	40,354,780	-	40,354,780
Other comprehensive income	-	-	-
<b>Balance at 31 May 2021</b>	<b>414,996,353</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>414,996,353</b>

	<b>Accumulated Fund ₦</b>	<b>Revaluation Reserve ₦</b>	<b>Total ₦</b>
Balance at June 2019	304,454,904	-	304,454,904
Statement of Income and Expenditure:			
Surplus/Deficits for the period	70,186,669	-	70,186,669
Other comprehensive income	-	-	-
<b>Balance at 31 May 2020</b>	<b>374,641,573</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>374,641,573</b>

**(LAGOS BRANCH)****FINANCIAL STATEMENTS ENDED 31 MAY, 2021****STATEMENT OF CHASH FLOW**

	Note	31-May-2021 ₦	31-May-2020 ₦
<b>Cash flows from operating activities</b>			
Surplus for the period		40,354,780	70,186,669
Adjustment for non-cash items:			
Depreciation	5	296,500	620,406
Financial assets at fair value through profit or loss	7	-	38,488
Reversal of property, plant and equipment			-
Changes in working capital			
Receivables and prepayment	19	-14,399,000	28,501,372
Payables and accruals	19	4,364,188	-957,000
<b>Net cash flow from operating activities</b>		<b>30,616,468</b>	<b>98,389,935</b>
<b>Cashflow from investing activities</b>			
Purchase of property, plant and equipment	6	-176,215,603	-7,996,000
Proceed on disposal of property, plant and equipment		-	-
<b>Net Cash used in investing activities</b>		<b>-176,215,603</b>	<b>-7,996,000</b>
<b>Cashflow from financing activities</b>			
Proceed from borrowings		-	-
Repayments of borrowings		-	-
Net cash used financed activities			
<b>Net increase in cash and cash equivalents</b>		<b>-145,599,135</b>	<b>90,393,933</b>
Cash and cash equivalent at start of the year		366,019,200	275,625,267
<b>Cash and cash equivalent at the end the year</b>		<b><u>220,420,065</u></b>	<b><u>366,019,200</u></b>
Cash and cash equivalents	9	<b><u>220,420,065</u></b>	<b><u>366,019,200</u></b>



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**NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**

**1 Reporting Entity**

Nigerian Bar Association is an association domiciled in Nigeria. The address of the association's secretariat is Suite 105/108, West Wing, 1st Floor, City Hall Catholic Mission Street, Lagos Island, Lagos.

**2 Basis of preparation**

**(a) Statement of compliance**

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with International Financial Reporting Standards (IFRSs).

**(b) Basis of measurement**

The financial statements have been prepared on a historical cost basis for the following material items in the statement of financial position:

- financial instruments at fair value through profit or loss are measured at fair value
- Landed property is measured at fair value

**(c) Functional and presentation currency**

The financial statements are presented in Naira, which is the functional currency of the Association. Amounts have been rounded to the nearest Naira except where otherwise noted.

**(d) Use of estimates and judgements**

The preparation of the financial statements in conformity with IFRS requires management to make judgements, estimates and assumptions that affects the application of accounting policies and the reported amounts of assets and liabilities, income and expenses within the current and subsequent financial years. Actual results may differ from these estimates.

Estimates and assumptions are reviewed on an ongoing basis. Revisions to accounting estimates are recognised in the period in which the estimates are revised and in any future periods affected.



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**3 Significant accounting policies**

**A Property, plant and equipment**

Property, plant and equipment is stated at historical cost less depreciation. Historical cost includes expenditure that is directly attributable to the acquisition of the items. Cost may also include transfers from equity of any gains or losses on qualifying cash flow hedges of foreign currency purchases of property, plant and equipment.

Subsequent costs are included in the asset's carrying amount or recognised as a separate asset, as appropriate, only when it is probable that future economic benefits associated with the item will flow to the association and the cost of the item can be measured reliably. The carrying amount of any component accounted for as a separate asset is derecognised when replaced. All other repairs and maintenance are charged to profit or loss during the reporting period in which they are incurred.

**Depreciation of property and equipment**

Depreciation is calculated to write off the cost of property, plant and equipment during the expected useful life on a straight-line basis. The principal annual rates of depreciation which reflects the expected pattern of consumption of the future economic benefits embodied in the assets. Land is not depreciated.

The estimated useful lives of property, plant and equipment for current and comparative periods are as follows:

	Useful life
Library books	20 years
Motor vehicle	4 years
Furniture and fittings	5 years
Computer and electronics	4 years
Plant and machinery	8 years
Building	50 years

The assets' residual values, useful lives and depreciation methods are reviewed, and adjusted prospectively if appropriate, if there is an indication of a significant change since the last reporting date.

An asset's carrying amount is written down immediately to its recoverable amount if the asset's carrying amount is greater than its estimated recoverable amount.

Gains and losses on disposals are determined by comparing the proceeds with the carrying amount and are recognised within 'other gains/(losses) – net' in the statement of income and expenditure.





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**B Financial instruments**

**i Non-derivative financial assets**

The Association initially recognises loans and receivables and deposits on the date that they are originated. All other financial assets (including assets designated at fair value through profit or loss) are recognised initially on the trade date at which the Association becomes a party to the contractual provisions of the instrument.

The Association derecognises a financial asset when the contractual rights to the cash flows from the asset expire, or it transfers the rights to receive the contractual cash flows on the financial asset in a transaction in which substantially all the risks and rewards of ownership of the financial asset are transferred. Any interest in transferred financial assets that is created or retained by the Association is recognised as a separate asset or liability.

Financial assets and liabilities are offset and the net amount presented in the statement of financial position when, and only when, the Association has a legal right to offset the amounts and intends either to settle on a net basis or to realise the asset and settle the liability simultaneously.

The Association has the following non-derivative financial assets: financial assets at fair value through profit or loss and receivables.

**• Financial assets at fair value through profit or loss**

A financial asset is classified at fair value through profit or loss if it is classified as held for trading or is designated as such upon initial recognition. Financial assets are designated at fair value through profit or loss if the Association manages such investments and makes purchase and sale decisions based on their fair value in accordance with the Association's documented risk management or investment strategy. Upon initial recognition attributable transaction costs are recognised in profit or loss as incurred. Financial assets at fair value through profit or loss are measured at fair value, and changes therein are recognised in profit or loss.

**• Loans and receivables**

Loans and receivables are financial assets with fixed or determinable payments that are not quoted in an active market. Such assets are recognised initially at fair value plus any directly attributable transaction costs. Subsequent to initial recognition loans and receivables are measured at amortised cost using the effective interest method, less any impairment losses.

Loans and receivables comprise trade and other receivables.

**• Cash and cash equivalents**

For the purpose of presentation in the statement of cash flows, cash and cash equivalents includes cash on hand, deposits held at call with financial institutions, other short-term, highly liquid investments with original maturities of three months or less that are readily convertible to known amounts of cash and which are subject to an insignificant risk of changes in value, and bank overdrafts.



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**ii Non-derivative financial liabilities**

All other financial liabilities (including liabilities designated at fair value through profit or loss) are recognised initially on the trade date at which the Association becomes a party to the contractual provisions of the instrument.

The Association derecognises a financial liability when its contractual obligations are discharged or cancelled or expire.

The Association has the following non-derivative financial liabilities: trade and other payables.

Impairment

**i Financial assets**

A financial asset not carried at fair value through profit or loss is assessed at each reporting date to determine whether there is objective evidence that it is impaired. A financial asset is impaired if objective evidence indicates that a loss event has occurred after the initial recognition of the asset, and that the loss event had a negative effect on the estimated future cash flows of that asset that can be estimated reliably.

Objective evidence that financial assets (including equity securities) are impaired can include default or delinquency by a debtor, restructuring of an amount due to the Association on terms that the Association would not consider otherwise, indications that a debtor or issuer will enter bankruptcy, or the disappearance of an active market for a security. In addition, for an investment in an equity security, a significant or prolonged decline in its fair value below its cost is objective evidence of impairment.

An impairment loss in respect of a financial asset measured at amortised cost is calculated as the difference between its carrying amount and the present value of the estimated future cash flows discounted at the asset's original effective interest rate. Losses are recognised in profit or loss and reflected in an allowance account against receivables. Interest on the impaired asset continues to be recognised through the unwinding of the discount. When a subsequent event causes the amount of impairment loss to decrease, the decrease in impairment loss is reversed through profit or loss.

**ii Non- financial assets**

The carrying amounts of the Association's non-financial assets are reviewed at each reporting date to determine whether there is any indication of impairment. If any such indication exists, then the asset's recoverable amount is estimated. An impairment loss is recognized for the amount by which the asset's carrying amount exceeds its recoverable amount. The recoverable amount is the higher of an asset's fair value less cost to sell and value in use. For the purpose of assessing impairment, assets are grouped at the lowest levels for which there is separate cash flow (Cash generating units).

Impairment losses recognised in prior periods are assessed at each reporting date for any indications that the loss has decreased or no longer exists. An impairment loss is reversed if there has been a change in the estimates used to determine the recoverable amount. An impairment loss is reversed only to the extent that the asset's carrying amount does not exceed the carrying amount that would have been determined, net of depreciation or amortisation, if no impairment loss had been recognized.



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**d Prepayment**

Prepayment are initially recognised at cost and amortised on a straight line basis to the statement of income and expenditure account.

**e Revenue recognition**

Revenue is measured at the fair value of the consideration received or receivable. Amounts disclosed as revenue are donations, subscriptions from members and interest income.

**i. Donations to the association**

The association receives donation from its members and other stakeholders. These contributions are voluntary. These donations whether cash or in kind are measured at fair value and recognised as revenue in the period they are received or receivable when all the following conditions has been satisfied.

- There is irrecoverable commitment from the donor to the association;
- It is probable that the economic benefits arising from the donation will flow to the association; and
- The amount of the donation can be measured reliably.

**ii Subscription from members**

Member subscriptions are credited when actually received and no credit is taken for unpaid subscription during the accounting year. However, no record is kept for subscriptions in arrears.

**f Operating expenses**

All expenses are accounted for on an accrual basis.

Expenditure is recognized in respect of goods and services when supplied in accordance with contractual terms.

**g Employee benefits**

**i Short-term employee benefits**

Short-term employee benefit obligations are measured on an undiscounted basis and are expensed as the related service is provided.

A liability is recognised for the amount expected to be paid under short-term cash bonus or profit sharing plans if the Association has a present legal or constructive obligation to pay this amount as a result of past service provided by the employee, and the obligation can be estimated reliably.



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**ii Defined contribution plans**

A defined contribution plan is a post-employment benefit plan under which an entity pays fixed contributions into a separate entity and will have no legal or constructive obligation to pay further amounts. Obligations for contributions to defined contribution pension plans are recognised as an employee benefit expense in profit or loss in the periods during which services are rendered by employees. Prepaid contributions are recognised as an asset to the extent that a cash refund or a reduction in future payments is available.

**Contingent liabilities**

A contingent liability is a possible obligation that arises from past events and whose existence will be confirmed only by the occurrence or non-occurrence of one or more uncertain future events not wholly within the control of the Association or the Association has a present obligation as a result of past events which is not recognised because it is not probable that an outflow of resources will be required to settle the obligation; or the amount cannot be reliably estimated. Contingent liabilities are disclosed in the financial statements.

**Foreign currency transactions**

Transactions denominated in foreign currencies are translated and recorded in Naira at the actual exchange rates at the dates of the transactions. Monetary assets and liabilities denominated in foreign currencies at the reporting date are retranslated to the functional currency at the rates of exchange prevailing at that date. The foreign currency gain or loss on monetary items is the difference between amortized cost in the functional currency at the beginning of the period, adjusted for effective interest and payments during the period, and the amortized cost in foreign currency translated at the exchange rate at the end of the year.

Non-monetary items that are measured in terms of historical cost in a foreign currency are translated using the exchange rate at the date of the transaction.

Foreign currency differences arising on translation are recognized in profit or loss, except for qualifying cash flow hedges, which are recognized in other comprehensive income. Non-monetary items that are measured in terms of historical cost in a foreign currency are translated using the exchange rate at the date of the transaction.





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**j New standards and interpretations**

A number of new standards, amendments to standards and interpretations not yet effective for annual periods ended 31 May 2019 have now been applied in preparing these financial statements. None of these standards is expected to have a significant effect on the financial statements of the Association, except the following:

**i IFRS 9 - Financial Instruments**

**Effective date: Annual periods beginning on or after 1 January 2019**

IFRS 9 addresses the recognition, derecognition, classification and measurement of financial assets and financial liabilities. In respect of financial assets, IFRS 9 replaces the multiple classification and measurement models in IAS 39 with a single model that has only two classification categories: amortised cost and fair value. The classification and measurement of financial liabilities have remained as per IAS 39 with the exception of financial liabilities designated at fair value through profit or loss where the amount of change in the fair value of the financial liability that is attributable to changes in the credit risk of that liability is presented in other comprehensive income.

The standard introduced the concept of “expected credit loss” model. This is a measure of an asset’s credit risk. Under this model, an entity calculates the allowance for credit losses by considering, on a discounted basis, the cash shortfalls it would incur in various default scenarios for prescribed future periods and multiplying the shortfalls by the probability of each scenario occurring. The allowance is the sum of these probability weighted outcomes. The concept is on the premise that every asset has an expected loss attached to it from the moment of its origination or acquisition. This model replaces the incurred loss model in IAS 39.

The new impairment model will apply to financial assets measured at amortised cost or Fair Value through Other Comprehensive Income (FVOCI), excepts for investments in equity instruments. The impact on the annual financial statements has not yet been fully determined.



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**4 Determination of fair values**

The Association measures fair value using the following fair value hierarchy that reflects the significance of the inputs used in making the measurements:

- i Level 1: Quoted market price (unadjusted) in an active market for an identical instrument.
- ii Level 2: Valuation techniques based on observable inputs, either directly - i.e. as prices or indirectly - i.e. derived from prices. This category includes instruments valued using: quoted market prices in active markets for similar instruments; quoted prices for identical or similar instruments in markets that are considered less than active; or other valuation techniques where all significant inputs are directly or indirectly observable from market data
- iii Level 3: Valuation techniques using significant unobservable inputs. This category includes all instruments for which the valuation technique includes inputs not based on observable data and the unobservable inputs have a significant effect on the instruments' valuation. This category includes instruments that are valued based on quoted prices for similar instruments where significant unobservable adjustments or assumptions are required to reflect differences between the instruments.

The determination of fair value of financial assets and liabilities for which there is no observable market prices requires the use of valuation techniques. For financial instruments that trade infrequently and have little price transparency, fair value is less objective, and requires varying degrees of judgment depending on liquidity, concentration, uncertainty of market factors, pricing assumptions and other risks affecting the specific instrument. Availability of observable market prices reduces the need for management judgement and estimation and reduces the uncertainty associated with determination of fair value. Availability of observable market prices and inputs varies depending on the product and market is prone to changes based on specific events and general conditions in the financial markets.



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The table below analyses financial instruments measured at fair value at the end of the reporting period by the level in the fair value hierarchy into which the fair value measurement is categorised.

31-May-21	Note	Level 1 ₦	Level 2 ₦	Level 3 ₦	Total ₦
Financial assets at fair value through profit or loss	7	121,125	-	-	121,125
		<b>121,125</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>121,125</b>

31-May-20	Note	Level 1 ₦	Level 2 ₦	Level 3 ₦	Total ₦
Financial assets at fair value through profit or loss	7	121,125	-	-	121,125
		<b>121,125</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>121,125</b>

\* The Current figure for the financial assets as at 31st May 2021 was NN121,125  
The table below shows the categories into which the line items of financial assets have been classified:

31-May-21	Note	Fair value through profit or loss ₦	Loans and receivables ₦	Other financial liabilities ₦	Total carrying amount ₦
Cash and cash equivalents	9	-	220,420,065	-	220,420,065
Financial assets at fair value through profit or loss	7	121,125	-	-	121,125
Receivables	8	-	14,851,500	-	14,851,500
		<b>121,125</b>	<b>235,271,565</b>		<b>235,392,690</b>
Payables and accruals	10	-	-	9,535,139	9,535,139
		<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>9,535,139</b>	<b>9,535,139</b>



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**5 Financial risk management**

**a Introduction and overview**

The Association has exposure to the following risks from financial instruments:

- Credit risk
- Liquidity risk

The Association's Executive committee has overall responsibility for the establishment and oversight of the Association's risk management framework. The Executive committee has the responsibility to identify and analyse the risks faced by the Association, to set appropriate risk limits and controls and to monitor risks and adherence to limits.

**b Credit risk**

Credit risk is defined as the likelihood that a customer or counterparty is unable to meet the contracted financial obligation or commitment that it has entered into with the Association resulting in a financial loss to the Association. It arises principally from cash and cash equivalents.

**i Management of credit risk**

The Association's policy over credit risk is to minimise its exposure to counterparties with perceived higher risk of default by dealing only with counterparties meeting the Association's credit standards and taking.

**ii Cash and cash equivalents**

The Association held cash and cash equivalents of N220million as at 31 May 2021 (The cash and cash equivalent are held with various banks. The Executive committee monitors the financial position of these banks on a regular basis.

**c Liquidity risk**

Liquidity risk is the risk that the Association will encounter difficulty in meeting the obligations associated with its financial liabilities that are settled by delivering cash or another financial asset. The Association's approach to managing liquidity is to ensure, as far as possible, that it will always have sufficient liquidity to meet its liabilities when due, under both normal and stressed conditions, without incurring unacceptable losses or risking damage to the Association's reputation.

The Association aims to maintain the level of its cash and cash equivalent at an amount in excess of expected cash outflows of financial liabilities. The Association also monitors the level of expected cash inflows on accounts receivables together with expected cash outflows on other payables and accrued.





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As at 31 May 2021, the Association's investments are considered readily realizable and highly liquid; therefore, the Association's exposure to liquidity risk is considered minimal. The following were contractual maturities of financial liabilities at reporting date. The amounts are gross and undiscounted.

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In Thousands of Naira	Note	Carrying amount	Gross nominal inflow/(outflow)	Less Than 3 Months	3 - 6 months	6 - 12 months
Non-derivative liabilities						
Payables and accruals	10	9,535,139	9,535,139	9,535,139	-	-
		<b>9,535,139</b>	<b>9,535,139</b>	<b>9,535,139</b>		

31-May-20

In Thousands of Naira	Note	Carrying amount	Gross nominal inflow/(outflow)	Less Than 3 Months	3 - 6 months	6 - 12 months
Non-derivative liabilities						
Payables and accruals	10	1,900,000	1,900,000	1,900,000	-	-
		<b>1,900,000</b>	<b>1,900,000</b>	<b>1,900,000</b>		



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<b>6. Property, plant and equipment</b>	<b>Leasehold Land &amp; Building</b>	<b>Library Books</b>	<b>Plant &amp; Machinery</b>	<b>Motor Vehicle</b>	<b>Furniture &amp; Fitting</b>	<b>Computer &amp; Electronics</b>	<b>Total</b>
Cost	₦	₦	₦	₦	₦	₦	₦
As at 1 June 2020	207,129,500	3,446,000	509,270	3,950,000	2,477,000	2,868,930	220,380,700
Addition during the year	149,337,146	-	-	26,416,856	-	461,600	176,215,603
EndSars Protest Vandalisation	-	-	-	-	-1,632,000	-2,868,930	-4,500,930
As at 31 May 2021	<b>356,466,646</b>	<b>3,446,000</b>	<b>509,270</b>	<b>30,366,856</b>	<b>845,000</b>	<b>461,600</b>	<b>392,095,373</b>
<b>Depreciation &amp; Amortisation</b>							
As at 1 June 2020	-	2,134,700	509,170	3,949,900	1,823,276	2,014,907	10,431,953
EndSars Protest Vandalisation	-	-	-	-	-1,342,368	-2,014,907	-3,357,275
Charge during the year	-	172,300	-	-	66,500	57,700	296,500
As at 31 May 2021	-	<b>2,307,000</b>	<b>509,170</b>	<b>3,949,900</b>	<b>3,232,144</b>	<b>4,087,514</b>	<b>14,085,728</b>
<b>Carry value</b>							
At 31 May 2021	<b>356,466,646</b>	<b>1,139,000</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>26,416,956</b>	<b>-2,387,144</b>	<b>-3,625,914</b>	<b>378,009,645</b>
At 31 May 2020	207,129,500	1,311,300	100	100	653,724	854,024	209,948,748



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**7 Financial assets at fair value through profit or loss**

	31-May-21	31-May-20
Quoted equities	₦	₦
FBN Holdings Plc. (22,640 units)	121,125	121,125
	<b>121,125</b>	<b>121,125</b>

	31-May-21	31-May-20
a Movement in quoted securities	₦	₦
Balance, beginning of year	121,125	159,612
Fair value gain/ (loss)	-	-38,488
Balance, end of year	<b>121,125</b>	<b>121,125</b>

	31-May-21	31-May-20
8 Receivables and prepayment	₦	₦
Staff loan	355,000	452,500
Interests Receivable	-	-
Prepaid rent	-	-
Bar dinner	-	-
NBA Law week	-	-
Share of Bar Practice Fee	14,496,500	-
	<b>14,851,500</b>	<b>452,500</b>

	31-May-21	31-May-20
9 Cash and cash equivalents	₦	₦
Cash at bank (see note a)	60,416,185	360,219,200
Placements (see note b)	160,003,880	5,800,000
	<b>220,420,065</b>	<b>366,019,200</b>

	31-May-21	31-May-20
a		
Polaris Bank Plc 2 - Project A/C	29,802	33,130
Polaris Bank Plc - Welfare Trust Fund Account	718,256	721,520
Access Bank - Nigerian Bar Association	37,186,111	169,722,268
Access Bank - Event A/c	354,257	29,599,303
Access Bank - Bar Centre Account	17,623,878	153,788,560
Access Bank Plc - Young Lawyers Trust Fund	106,586	106,586
Vougue Pay Account	-	85,500
First Bank Plc - Western House	4,397,294	6,162,332
	<b>60,416,185</b>	<b>360,219,200</b>



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			<b>31-May-21</b>	<b>31-May-20</b>
			<b>₦</b>	<b>₦</b>
<b>b(i) Placements with other banks</b>	<b>Tenure</b>	<b>Rate</b>		
Polaris Bank (Fixed Deposit)	90days	0.25%	5,869,251	5,800,000
Meristem Wealth Management	90days	4%	51,564,123	-
Advance Finance Company Ltd	90days	6%	51,331,507	-
Comercio Partners Asset Management	90days	5.5%	51,238,999	-
			<b><u>160,003,880</u></b>	<b><u>5,800,000</u></b>
			<b>31-May-21</b>	<b>31-May-20</b>
			<b>₦</b>	<b>₦</b>
<b>10 Payables and accruals</b>				
Audit and accountancy fees			400,000	400,000
Rent Payable			1,500,000	1,500,000
Group life assurance premium			3,094,505	-
Database mangement system			3,580,695	-
Other payable: -				
Health Insurance Premium (HMO)			858,300	-
Staff pension			101,639	-
			<b><u>9,535,139</u></b>	<b><u>1,900,000</u></b>
			<b>31-May-21</b>	<b>31-May-20</b>
			<b>₦</b>	<b>₦</b>
<b>11 Accumulated Fund</b>				
Balance, beginning of year			374,641,572	304,454,904
EndSars Protest Vandalisation			-1,143,655	-
Prior Year Adjustment - Insurance Premium			-9,985,500	-
Transfer from income and expenditure account			40,354,780	70,186,668
Balance, end of year			<b><u>403,867,197</u></b>	<b><u>374,641,572</u></b>





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	<b>₦</b>	<b>₦</b>
<b>12 Donation</b>		
NBA Lagos Palliative	-	6,600,000
Welfare Support	-	-
	<u>-</u>	<u>6,600,000</u>
	<b>31-May-21</b>	<b>31-May-20</b>
	<b>₦</b>	<b>₦</b>
<b>13i Branch dues</b>		
Subscription from members - 2020/2021	58,924,990	43,812,423
	<u>58,924,990</u>	<u>43,812,423</u>
	<b>31-May-21</b>	<b>31-May-20</b>
	<b>₦</b>	<b>₦</b>
<b>13ii Insurance Premium</b>		
Insurance Premium from members - 2020/2021	13,468,800	10,719,550
	<u>13,468,800</u>	<u>10,719,550</u>
	<b>31-May-21</b>	<b>31-May-20</b>
	<b>₦</b>	<b>₦</b>
<b>14 Share of practicing fees</b>		
Share of practicing fees from national -2020	14,496,500	13,817,450
	<u>14,496,500</u>	<u>13,817,450</u>
	<b>31-May-21</b>	<b>31-May-20</b>
	<b>₦</b>	<b>₦</b>
<b>15 Other income</b>		
Income on placement	6,059,160	9,054,589
Other bank interests	10	2,738,735
Sales of Election Forms	340,000	-
	<u>6,399,170</u>	<u>11,793,325</u>



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<b>16 Income from special events</b>	<b>Note</b>	<b>31-May-21</b>	<b>31-May-20</b>
NBA - AGC		<b>₦</b>	<b>₦</b>
Excess/ (deficit) of income over expenditure	19	-	-3,675,483
 MONTHLY MEETING			
Excess/ (deficit) of income over expenditure	20	-	2,912,000
 ANNUAL BAR DINNER			
Excess/ (deficit) of income over expenditure	21	-	19,191,786
 2019 NBA (LAGOS BRANCH) LAW WEEK			
Excess/ (deficit) of income over expenditure	22	-	46,434
 HUMAN RIGHT SUMMIT			
Excess/ (deficit) of income over expenditure	24	-	-650,852
 YOUNG LAWYER'S FORUM			
Excess/ (deficit) of income over expenditure	25	-	43,500
 ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING			
Excess/ (deficit) of income over expenditure	27	-	-3,831,836
 Total excess/ (deficit) of income over expenditure		<u>-</u>	<u><b>14,035,548</b></u>



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<b>17 Excess of income over expenditure</b>	<b>31-May-21</b>	<b>31-May-20</b>
<b>This was stated after charging:</b>	<b>₦</b>	<b>₦</b>
Depreciation	296,500	620,406
Auditor fee	400,000	400,000
	<b><u>1,020,406</u></b>	<b><u>1,020,406</u></b>
<b>18i Other operating expenses</b>	<b>₦</b>	<b>₦</b>
Printing and Stationeries	287,630	475,400
Communication	584,600	402,000
Repairs & Maintenance	56,100	126,000
Office Running Expenses	136,320	634,600
Bank Charges and Commission	318,143	2,013,875
Audit fee	400,000	400,000
Transport & Travelling	135,850	644,144
Vehicle Running Expenses	140,000	172,500
National Executive Council(NBA -Lagos Participation)	900,000	870,000
Welfare Expenses	2,800,000	910,000
Obituary & Burial	1,961,098	1,658,475
Cleaning & Sanitation/Toiletries	49,500	192,450
Electoral Committee Expenses	1,928,275	-
Entertainment	11,800	22,000
Rent	-	2,093,963
Internet	63,000	91,810
Newspaper & Magazine	-	25,400
Donations & Gifts	40,000	200,000
Logistics and media publicity of the Human rights Committee	200,000	-
Insurance for property,plant and equipment	537,337	-
Young Lawyers forum valentine event	101,500	-
Lawyers remuneration survey	850,000	-
Young Lawyers forum programme for month of March	155,000	-
Repairs & Maintenance - Vehicle	7,200	784,779
Software installation & Website Domain renewal	1,420,112	326,000
Courier Expenses	618,875	276,250
AGM Bronchure	499,875	-
Fair value loss on financial assets	-	38,488
Training	5,256,278	296,500
Zoom/Webinar Platform	1,404,794	247,695
	<b><u>20,863,287</u></b>	<b><u>12,902,329</u></b>
<b>18ii Personnel Expenses</b>		
Staff Salaries	8,438,087	6,349,342
Staff PAYE	370,613	-
	<b><u>8,808,699</u></b>	<b><u>6,349,342</u></b>



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<b>Supplementary information the account</b>	<b>31-May-21</b>	<b>31-May-20</b>
<b>19 NBA - AGC, LAGOS</b>	<b>₦</b>	<b>₦</b>
Income(Donations)		
Isibor Eghosa Courage	-	30,000
Akinmoladun Foluke	-	50,000
Busari Tunde Teslim (SAN)	-	25,000
Malgwi Andrew Nwajimi	-	100,000
Belgore Olubola	-	100,000
Kazeem Adeniji (SAN)	-	200,000
Akangbe Lateef	-	25,000
Oladele Julius Adeshina	-	150,000
Dr.Foluke Dada		
Theresa Ibas		
Juris Lawfirm		
Wole Olanipekun (SAN)		
Cash received for Accommodation		
Cash received for Flight		
Cash Award from 2017 football Tournament		
	<u>-</u>	<u>680,000</u>
<b>Expenditure</b>		
Lagos Party	-	3,612,283
Accommodation	-	-
Logistics	-	-
Sponsorship to AGC(Young Lawyer)	-	300,000
Transport(Flight)	-	-
Transport(Road)	-	-
Football Competition	-	443,200
	<u>-</u>	<u>4,355,483</u>
Excess/ (deficit) of income over expenditure	<u>-</u>	<u>-3,675,483</u>





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**20 MONTHLY MEETING**

	31-May-21	31-May-20
	₦	₦
<b>Sponsors/Donors:-</b>		
Juris Law(July, 2019)	-	1,000,000
Olukayode Adeluola (SAN) (July,2019)	-	700,000
Dapo Akinosun SAN (September)	-	1,074,000
Olumide Akpata (October,2019)-Self sponsored, payment for hall only	-	850,000
Andrew M.Malgwi (November,2019)	-	600,000
Robert Emukpoeruo (November, 2019)	-	600,000
Chief J.Akingbola Akinola ( December,2019)	-	1,000,000
Abiodun A. Olatunji SAN (January, 2020)	-	1,000,000
Dr. Babatunde Ajibade SAN(February)-Self sponsored, payment for ha	-	650,000
Chief Adeleke O. Agbola (March,2020)	-	1,000,000
Mr Victor Ogude (April, 2020)-Not yet expended	-	1,200,000
Mr Robert Egwono(Towards May,2020 meeting but not yet expended	-	600,000
Paul Usoro (SAN)(July,2018)	-	
Paul Usoro (SAN)(September,2018)	-	
Leslie Arthur Nylander(October,2018)	-	
Andrew M.Malgwi((November,2018)	-	
T.A.B. Oladipo(November,2018)	-	
Tunde Kasunmu(December,2018)	-	
Laotan A Jose Adeogun(January,2019)	-	
Dr. Adesola Falaye(January,2019)	-	
Dr.K.U.K Ekwueme(January,2019)	-	
Olasehinde Kareem(January,2019)	-	
Omoyemi Akangbe(February,2019)	-	
Godwin Omoaka(March,2019)	-	
Oyebanji Adeyeye(March,2019)	-	
Adebola Lema(April,2019)	-	
Kelechi Obi(May,2019)	-	
Henry Omu(May,2019)	-	
	<u>-</u>	<u>10,274,000</u>



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	<b>₦</b>	<b>₦</b>
<b>Expenditure</b>		
Monthly Meeting	-	7,362,000
Exco Meeting(2017/2018)	-	-
Total Monthly Meeting Expenses	-	<b>7,362,000</b>
Excess/ (deficit) of income over expenditure	-	<b>2,912,000</b>

**21 ANNUAL BAR DINNER**

	<b>31-May-21</b>	<b>31-May-20</b>
	<b>₦</b>	<b>₦</b>
Income		
Donation	-	49,250,000
Dinner Tickets	-	1,775,000
Refund on beverages	-	374,000
	-	<b>51,399,000</b>

<b>Expenditure</b>		
Hall	-	4,025,000
Entertainment	-	4,000,000
Beverages/Wine/Corkage/Champagne	-	5,084,340
Event Planner/Ushers	-	15,823,595
Music	-	350,000
Master of Ceremony	-	350,000
Brochure	-	1,200,000
Media Coverage	-	150,000
Logistics	-	-
Security	-	150,000
Plaques	-	-
Other Expenses(Bulk sms,banners,fliers,wrist bands)	-	829,280
Driver's Pack	-	245,000
Redeemed Pledges from 2019 Dinner	-	-
	-	<b>32,207,215</b>
Excess/ (deficit) of income over expenditure	-	<b>19,191,786</b>



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**22 2019 NBA (LAGOS BRANCH) LAW WEEK**

	<b>31-May-21</b>	<b>31-May-20</b>
<b>Income</b>	<b>₦</b>	<b>₦</b>
i Donations	-	10,200,000
Registration/Dinner/Stand Earnings	-	1,190,621
Refund	-	100,000
	<u>-</u>	<u>11,490,621</u>
<b>Expenditure</b>		
Venue/Decoration	-	500,000
Entertainment for people	-	2,078,200
Printing Materials	-	1,048,688
Waiters/Ushers/Security/Logistics	-	364,000
Other expenses	-	212,300
Welcome Cocktail	-	1,000,550
Publicity	-	927,000
Health Walk	-	618,950
Health Check	-	428,500
Brochure	-	1,328,250
DJ/ MC	-	350,000
Prison Visit	-	220,000
White Party	-	2,367,750
	<u>-</u>	<u>11,444,188</u>



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	31-May-21	31-May-20
	₦	₦
<b>23 LIST OF DONORS FOR 2020 LAW WEEK</b>		
Rickey Tarfa	-	-
Simmon Scooper	-	-
The Law Crest	-	-
Zenith Bank	-	-
Sifax Offdock	-	-
Streamsower & Co.	-	-
Rotimi Aladesanmi & Co.	-	-
Synergy Attornies	-	-
EKEDC	-	1,000,000
Aluko & Oyebode	-	1,000,000
Ukiri & Lijadu	-	500,000
Adedeji & Owotomo	-	500,000
Sterling Bank Plc.	-	500,000
Kunle Ogunba (SAN)	-	500,000
Paul Usoro & Co.	-	500,000
Duale Ovia	-	500,000
Alliance Law	-	500,000
Nigerian Stock Exchange	-	250,000
Emeka Ngige(SAN) & Co.	-	250,000
Foundation Chambers	-	250,000
Gloria Chambers	-	250,000
Charles Anthony LLP	-	250,000
Oguntoye & Oguntoye	-	250,000
Olajide Oyewole & Co.	-	250,000
Unknown	-	250,000
Templars	-	250,000
Punuka	-	100,000
Perchstone & Graeys	-	150,000
Malika Anthony	-	100,000
GRF Dalley & Partners	-	100,000
Alegeh & Co.	-	500,000
Banwo & Ighodalo	-	1,000,000
Heritage Bank	-	500,000
	<u>-</u>	<u>10,200,000</u>
Excess/ (deficit) of income over expenditure	<u>-</u>	<u>46,434</u>



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**24 HUMAN RIGHT SUMMIT**

<b>Income</b>	<b>31-May-21</b>	<b>31-May-20</b>
<b>Donations</b>	<b>₦</b>	<b>₦</b>
Olumide Babalola	-	100,000
Abiodun Olatunji	-	250,000
Oyewole & Adesina	-	100,000
The Law Crest	-	50,000
Synergy Attornies	-	100,000
Alex Muoka	-	50,000
Emeka Ngige - SAN	-	50,000
Templars/Olumide Akpata	-	250,000
Emeka Akabogu	-	50,000
Joyce Oduah	-	20,000
ESQ	-	100,000
Gavel	-	200,000
Efosa Osaze Etomi	-	-
	<b>-</b>	<b>1,320,000</b>
<b>Expenditure</b>		
Hall/Microphone	-	683,950
Brochure	-	200,000
Plaques	-	150,000
Courier	-	68,702
Photo	-	80,000
Bulk sms/backdrop	-	80,000
Other Expenses	-	160,200
Refreshment	-	298,000
Logistics(Media Coverage,Security & Fuel for bus)	-	250,000
Printing of Handbills, Programme, Banner	-	-
Printing of T-Shirts & Cap	-	-
	<b>-</b>	<b>1,970,852</b>
Excess/ (deficit) of income over expenditure		<b>-650,852</b>



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**25 YOUNG LAWYERS FORUM**

(2020 Young Lawyers' town hall meeting)

<b>Income</b>	<b>31-May-21</b>	<b>31-May-20</b>
<b>Donation</b>	<b>₦</b>	<b>₦</b>
Mr.Ogala	-	150,000
<b>Expenditure</b>		
Publicity & Media	-	-
Small Chop/Tea break	-	-
Refreshments	-	66,500
Decorations/Podium	-	-
Hall Rental	-	20,000
Public Address System	-	20,000
Photography	-	-
Entrance Fee	-	-
	<u>-</u>	<u>106,500</u>
Excess/ (deficit) of income over expenditure	<u>-</u>	<u>43,500</u>

**26 ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING(July 2019)**

<b>INCOME</b>	<b>31-May-21</b>	<b>31-May-20</b>
<b>Donations</b>	<b>₦</b>	<b>₦</b>
	-	-
	-	-
<b>Expenditure</b>		
Venue	-	1,225,000
Refreshments	-	2,606,836
	<u>-</u>	<u>3,831,836</u>
Excess/ (deficit) of income over expenditure	<u>-</u>	<u>-3,831,836</u>



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	31-May-21	31-May-20
	₦	₦
<b>Income</b>		
	-	-
	-	-
<b>Expenditure</b>		
Decoration		
Small Chops		
Drinks/Juice/water		
Printed Carrier Bags/Album		
Rentals		
Photography		
Transport/Cleaning		
	-	-
	-	-
Excess/ (deficit) of income over expenditure	-	-

**27 COVID - 19 PALLIATIVE**

	31-May-21	31-May-20
	₦	₦
<b>Income</b>		
<b>Donations</b>		
Olumide Akapata(paid directly to Shoprite)	-	2,500,000
Babalakin ( SAN)	-	2,000,000
Charles Mekwunye	-	1,000,000
Rickey Tarfa (SAN)	-	1,000,000
Wole Olanipekun(SAN)	-	1,000,000
Paul Usoro(SAN) & Mrs.Usoro	-	500,000
Anonymous	-	500,000
Anonymous	-	500,000
Tunde Busari	-	100,000
Foluke Akinmoladun	-	100,000
Oyetibo (SAN)	-	556,000
Onigbanjo(SAN)	-	250,000
Belgore(SAN)	-	250,000
Ayo Akintunde(SAN)	-	250,000
Synergy Attorneys	-	250,000
Tony Nwochei	-	250,000
Yemi Akangbe	-	100,000
Dayo Idowu	-	100,000



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	<b>₦</b>	<b>₦</b>
Mayowa Owolabi	-	100,000
Anonymous	-	100,000
Olaotan AJose Adeogun	-	100,000
Chief Osadolor	-	100,000
Anonymous	-	100,000
Emmanuel Umoren	-	50,000
Sandra Oyewole	-	50,000
Temi Ajayi	-	10,000
BAM Fashanu ( SAN)	-	300,000
Anonymous	-	300,000
Tobenna Erojikwe	-	150,000
Ose Okpeku	-	54,000
Anonymous	-	100,000
Anonymous	-	50,000
Swiptech	-	100,000
Fola Akande	-	10,000
Frank Nabena	-	100,000
Lekan Bade-John	-	100,000
Efe Etomi	-	100,000
Tunde Akinrinmisi	-	100,000
Dele Adeshina(SAN)	-	250,000
Olumide Babalola	-	100,000
Babajide Ogundipe	-	250,000
S.O.O.B.	-	250,000
	<b>-</b>	<b>14,130,000</b>
<b>Expenditures</b>		
500 Packs @ N5,000 each(Shoprite)	-	2,500,000
100 Packs @ N5,580	-	558,000
400 Packs @ N4,980	-	1,992,000
350 Packs @ N4,980	-	1,743,000
Delivery	-	434,000
	<b>-</b>	<b>7,227,000</b>
Excess/ (deficit) of income over expenditure	<b>-</b>	<b>6,903,000</b>

**28 Capital commitments**

There was no capital commitment as at year end.

**29 Contingent liabilities**

As at May 31, 2021, the Association has no contingent liabilities.



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<b>30 ANNUAL BAR DINNER</b>	<b>31-May-21</b>	<b>31-May-20</b>
<b>LIST OF DONORS</b>	<b>₦</b>	<b>₦</b>
TEMPLARS	-	2,000,000
BABALAKIN & CO.	-	2,000,000
THE LAW CREST	-	2,000,000
G.ELIAS & CO.	-	2,000,000
SOFUNDE, OSAKWE, OGUNDIPE & BELGORE	-	2,000,000
GEORGE ETOMI & PARTNERS	-	2,000,000
SIMONS COOPER PARTNERS	-	2,000,000
TOTAL	-	2,000,000
EKO ELECTRICITY DISTRIBUTION COMPANY	-	2,000,000
NIGER DELTA ELECTRICITY DISTRIBUTION COMPAN	-	2,000,000
BANWO & IGHODALO	-	1,500,000
ALUKO & OYEBODE	-	1,500,000
WOLE OLANIPEKUN & CO.	-	1,500,000
SPA AJIBADE & CO	-	1,500,000
RICKEY TARFA & CO.	-	1,000,000
DUALE,OVIA & ALEX - ADEDIPE	-	1,000,000
UKIRI & LIJADU	-	1,000,000
ADEDEJI OWOTOMO LP	-	1,000,000
PAUL USORO & CO.	-	1,000,000
ABDULLAI IBRAHIM & CO.	-	1,000,000
FBN INSURANCE	-	1,000,000
ADEPETUN,CAXTON-MARTIN,AGBOR & SEGUN	-	1,000,000
KUNLE OGUNBA & ASSOCIATES	-	1,000,000
ACCESS BANK PLC.	-	1,000,000
AARNDAL SOLICITORS	-	500,000
JURIS LAW	-	500,000
FIDES & FIDUCIA	-	500,000
PISTIS PARTNERS	-	500,000
ALLIANCE LAW	-	500,000
UDO UDOMA & BELO OSAGIE	-	500,000
GUARANTY TRUST BANK PLC.	-	500,000
THE NEW PRACTICE	-	500,000
BA LAW LP	-	500,000
OLANIWUN AJAYI	-	500,000
GIWA POSAGIE & CO.	-	500,000
KENNA PARTNERS	-	500,000
PENTAGON PARTNERS	-	500,000
ZENITH BANK	-	500,000
FRA WILLIAMS CHAMBERS	-	500,000



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	<b>₦</b>	<b>₦</b>
F.O AKERELE	-	500,000
AIRTEL	-	500,000
ADENIJI KAZEEM (SAN)	-	500,000
STREAMSOWERS & KOHN	-	500,000
AUSTIN ALEGHEH & CO.	-	500,000
MR.TUNJI BELLO	-	500,000
DETAIL COMMERCIAL SOLICITORS	-	250,000
PRIMERA AFRICA LEGAL	-	250,000
OLAWOYIN & OLAWOYIN	-	250,000
COPLEY PARTNERS	-	250,000
TUNDE BUSARI & CO.	-	250,000
EMEKA NGIGE (SAN)	-	250,000
BABATUNDE OGALA	-	250,000
JOYCE ODUAH	-	100,000
ALEX MUOKA	-	100,000
OKEY OHAGBA	-	100,000
CHEAKLEY CHAMBERS	-	100,000
BOLATUMI ANIMASHAUN & CO.	-	100,000
ADVOCAAT LAW PRACTICE	-	100,000
ARTHUR NYLANDER-SAN	-	50,000
TRIZON LAW CHAMBERS	-	50,000
GLORIA CHAMBERS	-	100,000
FOLASHADE ALLI & SOLICITORS	-	100,000
McCARTHY MBADUGHHA & CO.	-	100,000
	<b>-</b>	<b>49,250,000</b>



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**FIVE YEARS FINANCIAL SUMMARY**

	<b>2021</b>	<b>2020</b>	<b>2019</b>	<b>2018</b>	<b>2017</b>
	<b>₦</b>	<b>₦</b>	<b>₦</b>	<b>₦</b>	<b>₦</b>
Total Assets	613,402,335	576,541,572	507,311,904	441,764,170	206,127,396
Total Liabilities	9,535,139	1,900,000	2,857,000	12,788,800	49,090,000
	<b>622,937,474</b>	<b>574,641,572</b>	<b>504,454,904</b>	<b>428,975,370</b>	<b>157,037,396</b>
Revenue Reserve	40,354,780	70,186,668	75,479,534	66,733,194	43,171,427
Other Assets	382,582,694	304,454,904	228,975,370	162,242,176	113,865,969
Revaluation Reserve	200,000,000	200,000,000	200,000,000	200,000,000	-
	<b>622,937,474</b>	<b>574,641,572</b>	<b>504,454,904</b>	<b>428,975,370</b>	<b>157,037,396</b>
Income	95,339,460	100,778,295	96,863,913	89,119,563	68,833,581
Expenditure	54,984,680	30,591,627	21,384,379	22,386,369	25,662,154
Excess of Income over Expenditure	<b>40,354,780</b>	<b>70,186,668</b>	<b>75,479,534</b>	<b>66,733,194</b>	<b>43,171,427</b>

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Courtesy Visits to the Chief Judge of the Lagos State



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Young Lawyers Mentorship Session with Mr. Lotanna Okoli.



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### Inauguration of The YLF Exco, hosted by Mr. Dayo Adedeji, SAN





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### Inspection of the Ongoing Construction of the Bar Centre at Lekki









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