

**PROGRAMME FOR TECHNICAL SESSIONS OF THE NBA AGC 2023**

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<b>Friday 25 August 2023</b>				
1.	Jumaat Prayers	1.00pm	National Mosque	MULAN - Salman/MT Mohammed/Adama
<b>Saturday 26 August 2023</b>				
2.	Health Walk	6.00am	NBA House to MKO Abiola National Stadium	Afam Okeke 0805 527 6788
3.	Pre-Conference NEC	3.00pm	Auditorium, NBA Secretariat Plot 1101 Mohammadu Buhari Way Central Business Area	Adeshina Adegbite NBA General Secretary
<b>Sunday 27 August 2023</b>				
4.	Sunday Service	8.30am	Bible Summit Church Plot 1101 Kaura District, Off Oladipo Diya Road, Abuja	Salman 0803 725 2757/Jovita 0909 633 9711
5.	Opening Ceremony  Velodrome, MKO Abiola National Stadium	3.00pm - 6.00pm	<p align="center"><b>OPENING CEREMONY</b></p> <p align="center"><b>Chief Host: HE, Chief Ezenwo Nyesom Wike, CON, Life Bencher, GSSRS, POS</b></p> <p align="center">The Minster of the Federal Capital Territory -</p> <p><b>1) Welcome Address</b> – President, Nigerian Bar Association, <i>Yakubu Chonoko Maikyau, OON, SAN</i></p> <p><b>2) Goodwill Messages:</b></p> <p align="center">a. The Honourable, The Chief Justice of Nigeria, <i>Hon. Justice Olukayode Ariwoola, GCON</i></p>	<p><b>Compere 1:</b> Mrs. Eugenia Abu <b>Compere 2:</b> Mr. Ebere Young Acharaike, MFR</p> <p><b>Coordinator:</b> Akorede Habeeb Lawal - 0706 785 2266</p>

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			<p>b. President of the Senate of the Federal Republic of Nigeria, <i>His Excellency, Senator Godswill Akpabio, CON</i></p> <p>c. Keynote Speaker - <i>Mr. Tony Elumelu, CFR</i>, Founder, The Tony Elumelu Foundation</p> <p>d. Honourable Attorney-General of the Federation &amp; Minister of Justice, <i>Prince Abdullateef Fagbemi, SAN</i></p> <p>3) President and Commander in Chief of the Armed Forces of the Federal Republic of Nigeria, <i>Asiwaju Bola Ahmed Tinubu, GCFR</i> - To declare the Conference open.</p> <p>4) Presentation of Gift to the President and Commander-in-Chief of the Armed Forces of the Federal Republic of Nigeria, <i>Asiwaju Bola Ahmed Tinubu, GCFR</i> by the President of the Nigerian Bar Association, <i>Yakubu Chonoko Maikyau, OON, SAN</i></p>	

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			5) Photo Opportunity	
6.	Welcome Cocktail, Opening of the Friendship Centre, and President's BBQ	6.30pm	MKO Abiola National Stadium	Friday Onoja - 0803 786 8462
<b>MONDAY 28 AUGUST 2023 - Getting it Right in Economic Development: Harnessing Potential, Addressing Challenges</b>				
7.	NBA President's Breakfast Meeting  <b>VIP Lounge, MKO Abiola National Stadium</b>	7.30am - 9.00 am	Breakfast/Networking Event  <b>Speaker - Mr. Farouk Gumel</b> <b>Group Executive Director &amp; Executive Vice Chairman (Africa), Tropical General Investments (TGI) Group</b>	<b>Coordinator:</b> Charles Ajiboye - 0812 1782 2161
8.	Plenary Session  <b>Velodrome, MKO Abiola National Stadium</b>	9.30am - 11.20am	<b>Getting the Economy Right: Decoding Nigeria's Strategy for Growth, Diversification, Inclusivity and Sustainability.</b>  The oil sector provides for 95% of Nigeria's foreign exchange earnings and 80% of its budgetary revenues. Nigeria's economic potential is constrained by many structural issues, including non-diversification of the economy, inadequate infrastructure, tariff and non-tariff barriers to trade, obstacles to investment, lack of confidence in currency valuation and limited foreign exchange capacity. This session will discuss strategic pathways	<b>Lead Speaker - Mr. Olawale Edun</b> Honourable Minister of Finance and Coordinating Minister of the Economy  <b>Panelists:</b> <b>1. Sen. Abubakar Atiku Bagudu, CON</b> Honourable Minister of Budget and Economic Planning  <b>2. Mr. Adetilewa Adebajo</b> Chief Executive Officer, CFG Advisory.  <b>3. Mrs. Hansatu Adegbite</b> Executive Director, Women in Management and Business (WIMBIZ)

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			for making the shift from a mono to a diversified economy by shifting the focus to sectors like agriculture, manufacturing, and tradable services while at the same time professing solutions to the structural challenges facing Nigeria's economy.	<p><b>4. Mr. Allen Onyema, CON</b> Chief Executive Officer, Air Peace Limited</p> <p><b>5. Mrs. Jane Kimemia-Nechi</b> Chief Executive Officer, Optiva Capital</p> <p><b>Moderator: Dr Reuben Abati</b> Co-Anchor of The Morning Show, Arise Media Group</p> <p><b>Session Coordinator:</b> Mr. Mohammed Adelodun - 0809 581 7002</p>
<b>BREAKOUT SESSIONS I - VII</b>				
9.	Breakout Session I  <b>Sir Sapara Williams Hall (Marquee 1)</b>	11.40am - 1.00pm	<p><b>Legal and Social Challenges of Mining in Nigeria: The Way Forward</b></p> <p>Nigeria is said to have over forty-four priced solid minerals in the mining space with huge deposits scattered over different states in the country. However, the contribution of the mining sector to the gross domestic product of Nigeria remains largely insignificant. There has been recent initiatives by the Federal Government aimed at reviving the sector. However, more efforts are required to set the sector on a faster growth trajectory to compete with the oil and gas sector as the main revenue earner for Nigeria.</p>	<p><b>Lead Speaker: Hajiya Fatima Shinkafi</b> Executive Secretary and Head of the Secretariat Solid Minerals Development Fund</p> <p><b>Panelists:</b></p> <p><b>1. Mr. Henry Dele Alake</b> Minister of Solid Minerals</p> <p><b>2. Hon. Engr. Mrs. Janet Adeyemi</b> National President, Women in Mining in Nigeria (WIMIN)</p> <p><b>3. Professor Olugbenga Okunola</b> Department of Geology Faculty of Science, University of Ibadan</p>

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			<p>This session will discuss progress and challenges facing the Nigerian Mining industry and also advance a path forward for the development of the Nigerian Mining Sector.</p>	<p><b>4. Mrs. Tundun Taiwo</b> MD/CEO Impressal Mining</p> <p><b>5. Mr. Kehinde Daodu MCI Arb.</b> Partner, Babalakin &amp; Co</p> <p><b>Moderator: Prof. Peter Terkaa Akper, OFR, SAN</b> Nigerian Institute of Advance Legal Studies</p> <p><b>Session Coordinator:</b> Mr. Dumo Barango - 0803 875 8375</p>
10.	<p>Breakout Session II</p> <p><b>Justice Mohammed Bello Hall (Marquee 2)</b></p>	11.40am - 1.00pm	<p><b>Socio - Economic Impact of Oil Subsidy Removal</b></p> <p>The Nigerian Economy has been subsidized in various ways for many years and this includes fuel, education, electricity to mention a few. Fuel subsidy began in the 1970s and became institutionalized in 1977. The administration of oil subsidy in Nigeria has been plagued with serious allegations of corruption and mismanagement. The recent removal of Petroleum Motor Spirit (PMS) has generated a national debate specifically concerning the impact of such removal on the vulnerable. This session will explore the opportunities and challenges arising from the oil subsidy removal and recommend ways to ensure that the most vulnerable population is</p>	<p>Lead Speaker - <b>Dr. Eze Onyekpere</b> Lead Director, Centre for Social Justice</p> <p><b>Panelists:</b></p> <p><b>1. Engr. Bala Zakka</b> Energy/Public Affairs Analyst</p> <p><b>2. Dr. Emeka Okengwu</b> CEO, Anthill Concepts Limited</p> <p><b>3. Mr. Majeed Dahiru</b> Public Affairs Analyst</p> <p><b>4. Mr. Adekunle Stephen Adegun</b> Head, Commercial Law, NNPC Limited</p> <p><b>Moderator: Seun Okinbaloye</b></p>

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			protected from any negative impact of subsidy removal.	Political Journalist, Channels TV  <b>Session Coordinator:</b> Aliyu Isah Abubakar - 0706 348 5015
11.	Breakout Session III  <b>Justice Chukwudifu Oputa Hall (Marquee 3)</b>	11.40am - 1.00pm	<b>Artificial Intelligence (AI) and the Legal Profession in Nigeria</b>  This session aims to explore the transformative impact of AI on the legal landscape in Nigeria. AI presents both unprecedented challenges and opportunities for legal practitioners and the judiciary in Nigeria. The aim is to get ahead of the curve and find best ways to leverage any opportunities for growth for members of the legal profession and Nigerians.	<b>Lead Speaker: Dr. Olatunbosun Tijani, Ph.D</b> – Honourable Minister of Communications, Innovation and Digital Economy  <b>Panelists:</b>  <b>1. Mr. Idris Mohammed, FCIArb</b> Managing Partner, Fama Firm  <b>2. Ms. Josephine Uba</b> Brand Manager, Aluko & Oeybode  <b>3. Mr. Marx Ikongbe</b> Partner, Everlaw Associates  <b>4. Ms. Aisha Bala Wunti</b> Founding Partner, PennPromise Ventures  <b>5. Mr. Opeyemi Olugasa</b> CEO, Law Pavillion  <b>Moderator:</b> Fernandez Marcus-Obiene  <b>Session Coordinator:</b> Rashidat Mohammed - 0808 927 0900

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12.	Breakout Session IV  <b>Justice Adolphus Karibi-Whyte Hall (Marquee 4)</b>	11.40am - 1.00pm	<b>AfCFTA: What is in it for the Legal Profession in Nigeria?</b>  This session will explore the transformative potentials of the AfCFTA with a view to examining both how the legal profession can make it work for Nigeria and how the profession can leverage the resulting intra cooperation to create new opportunities for legal practitioners in Nigeria and across the continent.	<b>Lead Speaker: Mr. George Etomi</b> Principal Partner George Etomi & Partners (GEP Law)  <b>Panelists:</b>  1. <b>H. E. Wamkele Mene</b> AfCFTA Secretary General  2. <b>Mr. Segun Awolowo</b> - Executive Secretary, National Action Committee on AfCFTA  3. <b>Mr. Soji Awogbade, FEI</b> Partner, AELEX Legal  4. <b>Mr. Leonard Otuonye Ugbajah</b> Founder/Executive Director, Centre for Trade and Business Environment Advocacy (CBTA)  5. <b>Mr. Solagbade Sogbetun</b> Partner, Africa law Practice NG & Co  <b>Moderator: Mrs. Miannaya Essien, SAN</b> Partner, Principles Law Partnership  <b>Session Coordinator: Adetutu Oluwaseyi – 0803 573 3818</b>

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13.	Breakout Session V  <b>Justice Aloma Mukhtar Hall (Marquee 5)</b>	11.40am - 1.00pm	<p><b>Prioritising Infrastructure Development in the National Agenda</b></p> <p>Infrastructure development is a key driver for progress and a critical enabler for productivity and sustainable economic growth. The development of infrastructure is vital for the growth Nigeria's overall economy. The infrastructure sector primarily includes electricity, roads, telecommunications and railways. This session will discuss the importance of prioritising infrastructure development in Nigeria's National Development Agenda, exploring sustainable financing options and strategies for efficient project implementation.</p>	<p><b>Lead Speaker - Mr. J.A. Michael Ohiani</b> The Director General, Infrastructure Concession Regulatory Commission</p> <p><b>Panelists:</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>1. Professor Gbolahan Elias, SAN</b> Partner, G. Elias</li> <li><b>2. His Excellency, Senator David Nweze Umahi, CON</b> Honourable Minister of Works</li> <li><b>3. Mr. Wolemi Esan</b> Deputy Managing Partner, Olaniwun Ajayi LP</li> <li><b>4. Mr. Dapo Oduwole</b> Director General/CEO, Office of Public Private Partnerships, Ogun State</li> </ol> <p><b>Moderator: Mr. Dimeji Salaudeen</b> Partner &amp; Head of Infrastructure, Deal Advisory Practice, KPMG</p> <p><b>Session Coordinator: Folashade Abiodun - 0806 242 1508</b></p>



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14.	Breakout Session VI <b>Taslim O. Elias Hall (Marquee 6)</b>	11.40am - 1.00pm	<p><b>Fake News, Cyber Bullying and Hate Speech on Social Media: what is it and how do we deal with it?</b></p> <p>With the explosion of information and communication technologies, fake news, cyber bullying and hate speech has taken on a new dimension. While online media, such as blogs, social networks and websites, are excellent at helping people to communicate and provide access to huge amounts of information, they also allow fake news. This situation has changed the functional nature of the right to information, which was always tied directly to the right to freedom of opinion. The session will discuss citizen’s constitutional rights to freedom of speech and opinion and concerns of abuse of social media.</p>	<p><b>Lead Speaker - Prof. Muhammed Tawfiq Ladan</b> Director General, Nigerian Institute of Advanced Legal Studies</p> <p><b>Panelists:</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>1. DCP Uche Ifeanyi Henry</b> DCP, Police Cybercrime Unit (Interpol) Nigeria Police Force</li> <li><b>2. Mrs. Sola Salako-Ajulo</b> The Competition and Consumer Protection Tribunal</li> <li><b>3. Mr. Chukwudi Enebeli</b> Partner, Pinheiro LP</li> <li><b>4. Mr. Remi Afon</b> Chairman of the Board of Trustees Cyber Security Experts Association of Nigeria</li> </ol> <p><b>Moderator: Mahmood Jega</b> Deputy Editor-in-Chief, Daily Trust Newspaper</p> <p><b>Session Coordinator: Friday Ramses Onoja - 0803 786 8462</b></p>
15	Breakout Session VII	11.40am - 1.00pm	<p><b>Watt’s Next? Powering Through Nigeria’s new Electricity Act 2023</b></p>	<p><b>Lead Speaker – Mr. Dafe Akpeneye</b> Commissioner, Legal, Licensing, and Compliance, Nigerian Electricity Regulatory Commission</p>

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	<b>Folake Solanke, SAN Hall (Marquee 7)</b>		This session will unpack the intricacies of the Electricity Act 2023 and discuss its implications for Nigeria’s power generation, distribution, and consumption. Panelists will discuss how this legislation alters the existing landscape, spurring competition, increased access to electricity, and powering national development.	<p><b>Panelists:</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>1. Chief Adebayo Adelabu</b> Honourable Minister of Power</li> <li><b>2. Engr Edu Okeke</b> Managing Director, Azura Power West Africa Limited</li> <li><b>3. Mr. Israel Aye</b> Founder, Commercial Energy Law Practice</li> <li><b>4. Mrs. Olajumoke Delano</b> Head, Regulatory and Government Relations, Abuja Electricity Distribution Company</li> <li><b>5. Mr. Eyo Ekpo</b> Chief Executive Officer, Excredite Consulting Limited</li> </ol> <p><b>Moderator: Dr. Solomon Olufemi Ihidero (FCIA, FITD).</b> Head, Human Resource Management, Abuja Electricity Distribution Company.</p> <p><b>Session Coordinator:</b> Steve O. Emelieze - 0803 349 6091</p>
<b>MONDAY LUNCH 1.00pm - 2.00pm</b>				

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16	Afternoon Plenary  <b>Velodrome, MKO Abiola National Stadium</b>	2.00pm - 3.30pm	<p><b>Ethics and Professional Conduct for Lawyers: A Closer Look at the Rules of Professional Conduct &amp; NBA Rules and Guidelines on Anti-Money Laundering and Counter Terrorism Financing.</b></p> <p>This session will discuss the new <b>NBA Rules and Guidelines on Anti-Money Laundering and Terrorism Financing</b> while at the same time highlight the role of the legal profession in the fight against Money Laundering and Terrorism Financing. Panelists will share their perspectives on the reporting obligation provisions under the rules as a key to limiting the vulnerabilities of members of the Nigerian Bar Association.</p>	<p><b>Lead Speaker - Prof Ernest Ojukwu SAN</b> Professor of Law &amp; Partner Ojukwu, Fatou &amp; Yusuf</p> <p><b>Panelists:</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>1. Prof. Roland Itoyah Otaru, SAN</b> Partner, Otaru Otaru &amp; Co</li> <li><b>1. Professor Bolaji Owasanoye, OFR, SAN</b> Chairman, Independent Corrupt Practice and other Related Offences Commission</li> <li><b>2. Mr. Modibbo R. Hamman Tukur</b> Director/CEO, Nigerian Financial Intelligence Unit (NFIU)</li> <li><b>3. Mrs. Pearl Moses</b> Director of Compliance, Setfords Solicitors UK</li> <li><b>4. Mr. Boonyameen Babajide Lawal</b> Partner, Babalakin &amp; Co</li> </ol> <p><b>Moderator: Mallam Yusuf Olaolu Ali, SAN</b> Partner, Yusuf Ali &amp; Co</p> <p><b>Session Coordinator:</b> Ezenwa Anumnu - 0802 999 0995</p>

**TUESDAY 29 AUGUST 2023 - Getting it Right in Justice Administration: Streamlining Processes, Ensuring Fairness**

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17	Plenary Session  <b>Velodrome, MKO Abiola National Stadium</b>	9.00am - 11.20am	<b>Access to Justice: Reality or Unfulfilled Expectation?</b>  Access to justice is integral to achieving the sustainable development goals (SDG) and inclusive growth. A large number of Nigerians live outside the protection of the law, mostly because they are poor or marginalized. Overcrowded prisons are full of poor people waiting months even years for a first trial. Women, who often face multiple forms of discrimination, violence and sexual harassment are particularly affected by legal exclusion. Addressing these legal challenges will be essential to enable the basic protection of human rights. This session will take a critical look at justice administration and review gaps in the system and how the legal profession, working with other players and stakeholders in all aspects of justice administration, can minimize inefficiencies in the system and enhance the protection of the rights of the poor and vulnerable..	<b>Lead Speaker: Mr. Bryan Stevenson</b> Founder & Executive Director, Equal Justice Initiative  <b>Panelists:</b> <b>1. Mr. Chukwuka Ikwuazom SAN,</b> Partner, Aluko & Oyebode  <b>2. Prof. Joy Ngozi Ezeilo, OON, SAN</b> Professor of Public Law, University of Nigeria  <b>3. Mrs. Titilola Vivour-Adeniyi</b> Executive Secretary, Lagos State Domestic and Sexual Violence Response Team  <b>4. Mr. Duma Gideon Boko</b> Duma Boko Chambers, Botswana  <b>Moderator:</b> Gbenga Aruleba (AIT)  <b>Session Coordinator:</b> Oludayo Olorunfemi - 0806 139 7690
<b>BREAKOUT SESSION I - VII</b>				
18	Breakout Session I  <b>Sir Sapara Williams Hall (Marquee 1)</b>	11.40am - 1.00pm	<b>Paradigm Shifts In Civil Justice: The Federal Draft Bill And State Laws On The Administration Of Civil Justice</b>	<b>Lead Speaker - Mr. Tunde Fagbohunlu SAN</b> Partner, Aluko & Oyebode  <b>Panelists:</b>

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			<p>The most frequently expressed objectives of civil justice reform are to improve access to justice by reducing cost and delay, to increase consistency and fairness in case outcomes, and to increase litigant convenience and satisfaction. The session will review civil justice reform initiatives across the country and examine the how the enactment of administration of civil justice laws in Ekiti and Delta States have met the stated objectives of civil justice reform.</p>	<p><b>1. Hon. Justice Fadawu Umaru</b> High Court of Borno State</p> <p><b>2. Mr. Isaiah Bozimo C.Arb.</b> Managing Partner, Broderick/Bozimo &amp; Company</p> <p><b>3. Mr. Sunday Bamidele Julius Bamishe</b> Hon. Solicitor General and Permanent Secretary, Ekiti State Ministry of Justice</p> <p><b>Moderator: Dr. Babtunde Ajibade, SAN</b> Managing Partner, S.P.A Ajibade &amp; Co.</p> <p><b>Session Coordinator:</b> Tongshishak J. J. Danjuma - 0703 564 0118</p>
19	<p>Breakout Session II</p> <p><b>Justice Mohammed Bello Hall (Marquee 2)</b></p>	11.40am - 1.00pm	<p><b>Challenges and Opportunities of Pro Bono Work in Nigeria</b></p> <p>This session will explore the role of pro bono legal services in bridging the justice gap, providing insights into how lawyers can make tangible difference in ensuring equal access to justice for the poor. Discussions will include case studies, practical tips for lawyers, and the impact of pro bono work on society.</p>	<p><b>Lead Speaker - Mrs. Funmi Ayeni</b> Chief Executive, Public Interest Law Partnership</p> <p><b>Panelists:</b></p> <p><b>1. Mr. Tonye Krukrubo, SAN</b> Partner, Aluko and Oyebode</p> <p><b>2. Mr. Aliyu Bagudu Abubakar</b> Director-General, Legal Aid Council of Nigeria</p> <p><b>3. Mrs. Itoro Eze-Anaba</b> Managing Partner, Partnership for Justice</p>

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				<p><b>4. Mr. Jake Epelle</b> Chief Executive Officer/ Founder, TAF Africa (formerly The Albino Foundation)</p> <p><b>Moderator: Mrs. Ezinwa Okoroafor</b> General Counsel, Nigeria Sovereign Investment Authority</p> <p><b>Session Coordinator:</b> Hajiya Halima Yusuph - 0803 561 0784</p>
20	Breakout Session III  <b>Justice Chukwudifu Oputa Hall (Marquee 3)</b>	11.40am - 1.00pm	<p><b>Eight Years of Administration of Criminal Justice Act 2015: What has Changed?</b></p> <p>The ACJA is a crucial step in reforming Nigeria’s criminal Justice system, by ensuring efficiency, fairness, speedy and transparent administration of justice. This session aims to comprehensively analyze the impact of ACJA in its eight years of implementation.</p>	<p>Lead Speaker - <b>Prof. Akinseye George, SAN</b> President, Centre for Social Legal Studies (CSLS)</p> <p><b>Panelists:</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>1. Hon. Justice Peter Obiora</b> Justice of the High Court of Anambra State</li> <li><b>2. Hon. Justice (Dr.) Ishaq Bello OFR</b> Retired Chief Judge, FCT High Court</li> <li><b>3. Dr. Adamu Aliyu</b> Hon. Attorney-General and Commissioner for Justice, Jigawa State</li> <li><b>4. Mr. Rotimi Jacobs, SAN, CON</b> Founding Partner, Rotimi Jacobs &amp; Co</li> </ol>

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				<p><b>5. Mr. Omamuzo Erebe</b> Hon. Solicitor-General and Permanent Secretary, Delta State Ministry of Justice</p> <p><b>Moderator: Mr. Chinonye Obiagwu SAN</b> The Founding Director &amp; National Coordinator, Legal Defence and Assistance Project (LEDAP)</p> <p><b>Session Coordinator:</b> Salamatu Sidi - 0803 561 0784</p>
21	<p>Breakout Session IV</p> <p><b>Justice Adolphus Karibi-Whyte Hall (Marquee 4)</b></p>	11.40am - 1.00pm	<p><b>Strengthening the Place of Women in the Legal Profession</b></p> <p>This session will explore gender-based disparities in the legal profession with respect to opportunities, career progression and remuneration. It will explore ways to enhance the performance and participation of women in all areas of legal practice with a view to promoting equality in our approach to employment, appointments, remuneration, elevation, etc.</p>	<p><b>Lead Speaker – Prof. Dorothy Udeme Ufot, SAN, C.Arb(Uk), FCIArb(Uk)</b> Visiting Professor, Baze University Abuja    Managing Partner, Dorothy Ufot &amp; Co</p> <p><b>Panelists:</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>1. Mr. Asamah Kadiri, SAN</b> Partner, Jackson, Etti &amp; Edu</li> <li><b>2. Mrs. Folashade Alli, C.Arb</b> Principal Partner, Folashade Alli &amp; Associates</li> <li><b>3. Mr. Kunle Ajagbe</b> Partner, Aidan Partners</li> <li><b>4. Mrs. Amina Suzanah Agbaje</b> CVP/National President, International Federation of Women Lawyers</li> </ol>

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				<p>5. <b>Her Excellency, Mrs. Chioma Uzodimma</b> The First Lady of Imo State</p> <p><b>Moderator: Mrs. Chinyere Okorochoa</b> Chair, NBA Women’s Forum</p> <p><b>Session Coordinator:</b> Jamila Hassana Abdullahi - 0803 260 5522</p>
22	<p>Breakout Session V</p> <p><b>Justice Aloma Mukhtar Hall (Marquee 5)</b></p>	11.40am - 1.00pm	<p><b>The Arbitration and Mediation Act, 2023 and Other Current Developments in Alternative Dispute Resolution</b></p> <p>This session will delve into the details of the Arbitration and Mediation Act 2023 and discuss its potentials to modernise commercial dispute resolution in Nigeria and bolster trade and foreign investment.</p>	<p><b>Lead Speaker - Funmi Roberts</b> Founder &amp; Principal Partner, Funmi Roberts &amp; Co</p> <p><b>Special Showcase:</b> Court of Appeal Mediation Centre by Hon. Justice Dawodu, JCA</p> <p><b>Panelists:</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. <b>Mr. Seyilayo Ojo, C.Arb.</b> Senior Partner, S.O. &amp; C. Legal</li> <li>2. <b>Dr. Yemi Agbelusi, FCIArb (UK)</b> Principal Partner, Berean Associates</li> <li>3. <b>Mr. Baba Lawal Aliyu, FCIArb (UK)</b> Principal Partner, B L Aliyu &amp; Associates</li> <li>4. <b>Dr. Agada Elachi, FCIArb (UK)</b> The President, Institute of Chartered Mediators and Conciliators (ICMC)</li> </ol>



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				<p><b>Moderator: Mrs. Jean Chiazor Anishere, SAN</b> Principal Partner, Jean Chiazor &amp; Partner</p> <p><b>Session Coordinator:</b> Ali Zubairu Dussah - 0803 464 4348</p>
23	<p>Breakout Session VI</p> <p><b>Taslim O. Elias Hall (Marquee 6)</b></p>	11.40am - 1.00pm	<p><b>Overview of NBA’s Memo to RMAFC on Judicial Remuneration</b></p> <p>The NBA has since the return of Nigeria to democracy in 1999 actively campaigned for a holistic review of the conditions of service of judicial officers. This is in recognition of the important role of the judiciary in sustaining Nigeria’s democracy. The NBA recently presented a memorandum to the Revenue Mobilization Allocation and Fiscal Commission on the review of judicial remuneration. This session will examine the NBA memorandum to RMAFC on judicial remuneration. The session will also explore ways to ensure that the welfare of the Nigerian Judiciary and judicial officers are taken care of as part of the nation’s investment in justice administration.</p>	<p><b>Lead Speaker - Mr. Olawale Fapohunda, SAN</b> Managing Partner, Legal Resources Consortium</p> <p><b>Panelists:</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. <b>Dr. Mohammed Bello Shehu</b> Chairman, Revenue Mobilization, Allocation and Fiscal Commission (RMAFC)</li> <li>2. <b>Hon. Justice Kashim Zanna, OFR</b> The Chief Judge of the High Court of Borno State</li> <li>3. <b>Professor Zacchaeus Adangor, SAN</b> Hon. Attorney General and Commissioner for Justice, Rivers State</li> <li>4. <b>Mr. Anthony Okechukwu Ojukwu, OFR, SAN</b> Executive Secretary, National Human Rights Commission</li> </ol>

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				<p><b>Moderator: Mrs. Onikepo Braithwaite</b> The Law Page Editor, ThisDay Newspapers</p> <p><b>Session Coordinator:</b> Bulus Atsen - 0806 607 0855</p>
24	<p>Breakout Session VII</p> <p><b>Folake Solanke,</b> <b>SAN Hall (Marquee 7)</b></p>	11.40am - 1.00pm	<p><b>The Young Lawyers' Road Map: Navigating New Beginnings, Transitions and Growth</b></p> <p>This is a mentoring session designed to provide guidance to new wigs/young lawyers on their professional journey. The aim is to have open conversations about building a successful career.</p>	<p><b>Lead Speaker - Mr. Oyetola Muyiwa Atoyebi, SAN</b> Managing Partner, Omaplex Law Firm</p> <p><b>Special Showcase:</b> AptResponse (an online platform for legal emergencies) by Mrs. F. Boma Ayomide Alabi, OON, SAN</p> <p><b>Panelists:</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>1. Mr. Ikechukwu Uwanna</b> Hon. Attorney-General and Commissioner for Justice, Abia State</li> <li><b>2. Ms. Chinwe Odigboegwu</b> Lead Consultant, Truce City Legal Practice</li> <li><b>3. Prince Damilotun Aderemi</b> Principal Private Secretary, Office of the President of the Federal Republic of Nigeria</li> <li><b>4. Mr. Lamar J-K Gadzama</b> Senior Associate, J-K Gadzama LLP</li> </ol> <p><b>Moderator: Mrs. Adejoke Layi-Babatunde</b></p>

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				Deputy Chief Executive Officer, Lawbreed Limited  <b>Session Coordinator:</b> Abdulrauf Tijani Aboki - 0803 767 7182
<b>TUESDAY LUNCH 1.00 - 2.00pm</b>				
25	Afternoon Plenary  Velodrome, MKO Abiola National Stadium	2.00pm - 3.30pm	<b>Are Legal Fees Fair and Reasonable? A Closer Look at the Legal Practitioners Remuneration (For Business, Legal Service and Representation) Order, 2023</b>  This session will examine the new Legal Practitioners Remuneration Order, the intended outcomes, implications, application and consequences for non-compliance. The session will also explore the benefits of standardizing legal fees as a first step to setting a minimum standard for legal services and lawyers' remuneration.	<b>Lead Speaker – Mr. Oluseun Abimbola, SAN</b> Senior Partner, Prime Solicitors  <b>Panelists:</b>  <b>1. Mrs. F. Boma Ayomide Alabi, OON, SAN</b> Managing Partner, Primera Africa Legal  <b>2. Mr. Inam Wilson, SAN</b> Senior Partner, Templars Barristers & Solicitors  <b>3. Mr. Tobenna Erojikwe</b> Chairman, NBA-ICLE  <b>4. Mr. Anthony Nwaochie</b> Managing Partner, The Law Crest  <b>Moderator: Mr. Abdullahi Yahya, SAN</b> Partner, Abdullahi Yahya & Co  <b>Session Coordinator:</b> Wunmi Opaleye - 0803 448 0974
<b>WEDNESDAY 30 AUGUST 2023 - Getting it Right in Governance and Security: Strategic Approach</b>				

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	<p data-bbox="163 244 409 316">Plenary/Showcase Session</p> <p data-bbox="163 363 454 475"><b>Velodrome, MKO Abiola National Stadium</b></p>	<p data-bbox="465 244 607 316">9.00am - 11.20am</p>	<p data-bbox="618 244 1323 316"><b>Crafting a Strategic Blueprint for Security and Prosperity</b></p> <p data-bbox="618 363 1323 1129">Nigeria is enduring a rise in insecurity. The key violent drivers are either distinct to regions or cut across various locations. For example, there is increasing banditry in the Northwest and Northcentral regions, insurgency in the Northeast, violent secession agitations in the Southeast, and gang wars in the Southwest and South-south zones. Furthermore, there are pockets of extra-judicial killings and communal wars nationwide. The age-long farmer-herders crisis has also lingered, adding to the security and socio-economic challenges in the conflict areas and beyond. Participants can expect a dynamic dialogue that weaves together policy coherence, participatory decision-making, and sustainable security strategies to sketch a future-oriented roadmap for Nigeria's governance and security landscape.</p>	<p data-bbox="1335 244 2029 316"><b>Lead Speaker - Mallam Nuhu Ribadu</b> National Security Adviser (NSA)</p> <p data-bbox="1335 363 2029 435"><b>Goodwill Message: Alhaji Mohammed Badaru Abubakar, CON</b> – Honourable Minister of Defence</p> <p data-bbox="1335 483 1469 515"><b>Panelists:</b></p> <ol data-bbox="1335 523 2029 1193" style="list-style-type: none"> <li data-bbox="1335 523 2029 595"><b>1. Major General Christopher Gwabin Musa, OFR</b> Chief of Defense Staff</li> <li data-bbox="1335 643 2029 715"><b>2. IGP Egbetokun Olukayode Adeolu, PhD, NPM</b> Inspector-General of Police</li> <li data-bbox="1335 762 2029 874"><b>3. His Highness, Hon. Justice L.H Gummi OFR</b> Retired Chief Judge, High Court of the FCT, Emir of Gummi</li> <li data-bbox="1335 922 2029 1034"><b>4. Brigadier General Abdullahi Sabi Ishak (Rtd.)</b> Special Adviser on Security Affairs, Office of the Executive Governor of Borno State</li> <li data-bbox="1335 1082 2029 1193"><b>5. Chief Adetunji Adeleye</b> The Commander, Ondo State Security Network (Amotekun)</li> </ol> <p data-bbox="1335 1241 2029 1353"><b>Moderator: Mr. Babajide Kolade-Otitoju</b> Group Controller, Current and Public Affairs, TVC News</p>

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<b>BREAKOUT SESSIONS I – VII</b>				
26	Breakout Session I  <b>Sir Sapara Williams Hall (Marquee 1)</b>	11.40am - 1.00pm	<b>Airforce Showcase Breakout Session</b>  <i>Air Space Defence, ISR and How it Affects the Nigerian Economy</i>	<b>Wing. Commander Mohammed Saleh</b> Director, Legal Services  <b>Panelists:</b> <b>1. GP Capt. Oluwasegun Oladipo Okeniyi</b> Deputy Director Air Traffic Services HQ NAF Abuja  <b>2. Air Commodore Nosiru Babatunde Folaji</b> Director Air Traffic Services (HQ NAF)
27	Breakout Session II  <b>Justice Mohammed Bello Hall (Marquee 2)</b>	11.40am - 1.00pm	<b>Navy Showcase Breakout Session</b>  <i>The Impact of Maritime Security Threats on the Nigerian Economy: Nigerian Navy Perspective</i>  This session will discuss the impact of security threats such as oil theft, piracy, and exploitation of maritime resources on the Nigerian economy. The session will also explore the economic ramifications, including disruptions to trade, increased operational costs for businesses, and decreased investor confidence. Additionally, potential strategies and collaborations to mitigate these threats and enhance maritime security will be highlighted, with a focus on fostering	<b>Lead Speaker: Commander Obiora Bede Anyikwa</b>  <b>Panelists:</b> <b>1. Rear Admiral Patrick E. Effah</b>  <b>2. Commodore Shuaib Mohammed Ahmed</b>  <b>3. Chief Mike Ozekhome, OFR, SAN</b> Managing Partner, Mike Ozekhome’s Chambers  <b>4. Mr. Nonso Azih</b> Mr. Principal Counsel, Azih & Azih LP

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			sustainable economic growth and development for Nigeria.	
28	Breakout Session III  <b>Justice Chukwudifu Oputa Hall (Marquee 3)</b>	11.40am - 1.00pm	<b><i>The Rule of Law in Low Intensity Conflict</i></b>  This session aims to shed light on the significance of upholding the rule of law within low-intensity conflicts. It will explore how maintaining legal frameworks during such conflicts contributes to stability, human rights protection, and the prevention of further escalation. The session will discuss practical approaches to ensuring the rule of law in these contexts, fostering a clearer understanding of its positive impact on conflict resolution and sustainable peace	<b>Lead Speaker – General G. I. Musa</b> Director of Legal, Nigerian Army  <b>Panelists:</b> <b>1. Brigadier General Bauka (Rtd)</b>  <b>2. Major Mike Kebonkwu (Rtd)</b>  <b>3. Mr. Sule Kwasau</b> Principal Partner, Sule A. Kwasau & CO  <b>4. Mr. Ali Ibrahim Omachi</b> Principal Partner, A.I. Omachi & Co
29	Breakout Session IV  <b>Justice Adolphus Karibi-Whyte (Marquée 4)</b>	11.40am - 1.00pm	<b><i>Two Decades of Police Reforms: Where Are We? Where Do We Want to Be?</i></b>  This session will examine the various reform initiatives undertaken by successive governments since 1999. There will be an evaluation of the status of key areas of reform including the Police Act, conditions of service, complaints handling, community policing and police oversight agencies.	<b>Lead Speaker: Prof. Etannibi Alemika</b> Professor of Criminology & Sociology of Law, University of Jos  <b>Panelists:</b> <b>1. Mr. Gad Peter</b> Executive Director, CLEEN Foundation  <b>2. Rtd AIG David Igbodo</b> Principal Partner, DB Legal Consultants President of Triple Justice Foundation

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				<p><b>3. DCP Ohiozoba Ehiede</b>  <b>DC Legal, Nigerian Police Force</b>  Force Headquarters (Louis Edet House)</p> <p>Moderator: <b>ACP Olumuyiwa Adejobi</b>  Force Public Relations Officer</p>
30	Breakout Session V  <b>Justice Aloma Mukhtar Hall (Marquee 5)</b>	11.40am - 1.00pm	<p><b>Getting It Right: Women as Agents of Change in Nation Building-Making A Case for The Nigerian Woman</b></p> <p>This session aims to highlight the pivotal role of Nigerian women in driving positive change and progress within the context of nation-building. By showcasing their contributions, leadership, and empowerment, the discussion seeks to underscore the importance of gender equality and women's active involvement in shaping a prosperous and inclusive future for the nation. Through real-life examples and insights, the session aspires to inspire greater recognition, support, and collaboration to harness the potential of Nigerian women as catalysts for meaningful societal transformation.</p>	<p><b>Speakers:</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>Mr. Johnson J. Usman SAN</b> Principal Partner, J.J Usman SAN &amp; Co.</li> <li><b>Mrs. Ene Obi</b> Country Director, Action Aid Nigeria</li> <li><b>Oluwatoyosi Giwa</b> Program Officer, UN Women Nigeria</li> </ol> <p><b>Moderator: Chisom Ihekwa</b>  Gender Rights Advocate  Co-founder, Sisters Bond Initiative</p>
31	Breakout Session VI  <b>Taslim O. Elias Hall (Marquee 6)</b>	11.40am - 1.00pm	<p><b>Oil &amp; Gas Showcase Session</b></p> <p><b>Optimizing the Nigerian Energy Sector: Legal and Regulatory Innovations</b></p>	<p><b>Lead Speaker: Mr. Kingston Ezeugo Chiwendu</b>  Asst. Director NUPRC &amp; Head Corporate Governance and Ethics Unit</p>

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			This session will explore legal and regulatory innovations as crucial step to creating a more sustainable, reliable, and inclusive energy sector that supports its economic and social development goals.	<b>Panelists:</b> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>1. Abimbola Atitebi</b> Managing Counsel, Energy &amp; Natural Resources Practice Group</li> <li><b>2. Prof. Bayo Adaralegbe</b> Partner, Babalakin &amp; Co</li> </ol> <b>Moderator: Tominiyi Owolabi</b> Partner, Olaniwun Ajayi LP  <b>Session Coordinator:</b>
<b>WEDNESDAY LUNCH 1.00pm - 2.00pm</b>				
32	Closing Plenary  <b>Velodrome, MKO Abiola National Stadium</b>	2.00pm - 3.30pm	<b>Interactive Session: <i>Setting an Agenda for the Reform of the Justice Sector in Nigeria</i></b>  The need to reform the administration of justice system has been a permanent feature of successive administrations since 1999. However, there are still formidable challenges that constitute stumbling blocks in achieving a justice system that works in the interest of Nigerians. This interactive session will discuss the various legal, policy and administrative interventions for managing the transformation of our justice system and the institutions that deliver justice. The panelists will share their perspectives on specific	<b>Panelists:</b> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>1. Prince Abdul-Lateef O. Fagbemi SAN</b> The Honourable Attorney General of Federation and Minister of Justice</li> <li><b>2. H.E. Godswill Akpabio, CON</b> Senate President</li> <li><b>3. Rt. Hon. Benjamin Okezie Kalu, CON</b> Deputy Speaker of the House of Representatives</li> <li><b>4. His Excellency, Mr. Caleb Manasseh Mutfwang</b> The Executive Governor of Plateau State</li> </ol>



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			steps that should be taken to achieve an accessible justice system that promotes constitutional values, is transparent, responsive and provides justice for all.	<b>5. His Excellency, Mr. Peter Ndubuisi Mbah, CON</b> The Executive Governor of Enugu State  <b>Moderator: Shola Soyele, Channels Television</b>
<b>Thursday 31 August 2023</b>				
33	Morning Meetings I	9.00am - 10.00am	Meetings of all Committees, Sections & Fora of the NBA (at designated halls)	
34	Morning Meetings II	10.00am	Annual General Meeting	
<b>Friday 1 September 2023</b>				
35	Press Statement & Communique	10.00am	Auditorium, NBA Secretariat Plot 1101 Mohammadu Buhari Way Central Business Area	