

Bello, Ishaq Usman (Nigeria)

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Curriculum vitae

FAMILY NAME	BELLO
FIRST NAME	ISHAQ USMAN
MIDDLE NAME	
GENDER	MALE
DATE OF BIRTH	15/01/1956
NATIONALITY	NIGERIAN
REGIONAL CRITERIA	AFRICA
SECONDARY NATIONALITY (IF APPLICABLE)	
MARITAL STATUS	MARRIED
LIST A /LIST B	LIST A
LANGUAGES	
-ENGLISH	(written) Advanced , (oral) Advanced
Profile A trained Legal Practitioner called to the Nigerian Bar in 1983. I have successfully been a Magistrate (of all grades), Legal Adviser, Deputy Chief Registrar (Supreme Court of Nigeria), Judge (High Court, FCT), Acting Chief Judge and presently, I am the Chief Judge of the FCT, Abuja where I ensure that the activities and duties of the court is carried out in a seamless and efficient manner that ensures the smooth administration of justice.	
Professional skills <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Excellent oral/written communication skills• Logical reasoning• Legal research• Analytical skills• Integrity• Decision–making skills• Arbitration• Mediation• Negotiation	
Educational qualifications: Date, Institution, qualification (s) obtained (starting with most recent	
LLD of the Caribbean University (Honoris Causa) 2008 <i>Institution :</i> Ahmadu Bello University Zaria <i>Qualification (s) :</i> LLM (Masters) International Criminal Law (Dissertation on: Individual Criminal Responsibility under the Rome Statute	

2007

Institution: Institute of Advanced Legal Studies Lagos
Qualification (s) : Certificate in international Criminal Law

1994

Institution: Institute of Advanced Legal studies, Lagos
Qualification (s): Certificate in Civil Procedure

Institution: Nigeria Institute of Advanced Legal Studies, Lagos
Qualification (s): Certificate in the Administration of International Criminal Law.

1982-83

Institution: Nigeria Law School, Lagos
Qualification (s): B.L Certificate

1979/80 -1982

Institution : Ahmadu Bello University, Zaria
Qualification (s): LLB (Hons) Civil Law

1976/77-79

Institution : Katsina College of Arts, Science and Technology, Zaria
Qualification (s): IJMB Certificate

1972-1976

Institution: Government Secondary School, Katsina
Qualification(s) : West African School Certificate (WASC)

Professional summary

Chief Judge, FCT, Abuja

28 May 2015 till date

Core Responsibilities:

- As Chief Judge, I exercise supervisory authority over the court's judicial and administrative functions. I am also responsible for the assignment of cases and in the process ensure that judicial work is equally distributed
- It is the duty of the Chief Judge when necessary to liaise with other arms of government particularly on policies or practices that impact on judicial administration and the general discharge of judicial responsibilities and functions.
- Supervising the court's fiscal affairs
- Ensuring that laws, regulations, and court policies are followed.
- Monitoring and evaluation of court caseloads
- Developing and implementing court plans both short term and long term
- Developing rules to regulate practice and procedure before the court for effective justice dispensation.

Professional Experience : Date, employer, post title, other information (starting with most recent

28 May 2015 till Date

Chief Judge, Federal capital Territory (FCT), Abuja

31/03/2015 – 28/05/ 2015

Acting Chief Judge, FCT, Abuja

1997-2015

Judge FCT, Abuja

1995-1996

Deputy Chief Registrar
Supreme Court of Nigeria

1993-1995

Secretary/Legal adviser
Board of River Basin Authority, Niger State (On secondment)

(Mid 1995 De-seconded)

Chief Magistrate, Zaria,

1992

Chief Magistrate
Kaduna township

1990

Acting Chief Magistrate
Birnin Gwari-Kaduna State

1987

Head of Legal Recovery Department
Universal Bank of Nigeria PLC, Kaduna

Nov-Dec 1984

State Counsel
Ministry of Justice Kaduna

August-October 1984

Private Legal Practitioner
Umaru Yabo & Co, Sokoto

1983/July - 1984

Ministry of Justice
Benin, Bendel State (Now Edo State)

Special responsibilities/Achievements

- Pioneer Judge Kwali Upon appointment in 1997
- Pioneer and Head of Gwagwalada Judicial Division, Jan-Dec- 2004
- Judge in Charge of Training and Personnel Development
- Chairman Committee for the Review of Civil Procedure Rules FCT – High Court (Now in Use)
- Chairman Case Flow Management Committee
- Chairman publicity Committee on Alternate Dispute Resolution (ADR)
- Head, Criminal Trial Division, FCT High Court Abuja
- Member Advisory Committee on Nigeria's Rule of Law Project
- Designated Anti-Corruption Judge
- Member Election Petition Tribunal, Katsina
- Member Election Petition Tribunal FCT, Abuja

- Chairman Governorship Election Petition Tribunal Calabar –Cross River State
- Chairman Governorship Election Petition Tribunal Anambra State 2014
- Chairman Election Petition Tribunal (States and National Assembly) Imo State
- Head of Delegation, Magistrates of the FCT on International Workshop to the Gambia
- Head of Delegation, Judges on Educational Visit to South Africa
- Educational Visit to Malaysian Judiciary
- Educational Visit to Singapore
- Educational Visit to United Kingdom Judiciary
- Educational Visit to United States (Training Programme)
- Chairman Panel on Justice Sector Reforms, (Responsible for draft and Advocacy of the Administration of Criminal Justice Act, 2015)
- Represented Nigeria at UNODC Vienna, and Presented a Paper on Judicial integrity – 2013

Ad hoc responsibilities

- Member National Judicial Council - 2018
- Member, Body of Benchers
- Chairman, Presidential Committee on Decongestion of Prisons and Prison Reforms in Nigeria
- Chairman, Presidential Panel of Implementation Leading to the Passage of the Administration of Criminal Justice Act 2015
- Member, Board of Governors of the National Judicial Institute
- Member, Education Committee of the National Judicial institute
- Member, National Judicial Ethics Committee
- Member, Finance Committee, Body of Benchers
- Member, Appointments, Promotion and Discipline Committee of the Board of Governors of the National Judicial Institute
- Member, Board of Trustees, Property Management Board Faculty of Law, Ahmadu Bello University Zaria
- Chairman Board of Trustees, Bar, Bench and Police Forum FCT, Abuja Chapter.
- Member, Preliminary Complaints Assessment Committee of the National Judicial Council.

Membership of professional bodies

- Awardee of Unity Bar FCT, Abuja
- Life-Member – Magistrates Association of Nigeria
- Member, Nigeria Institute of Management (MNIM)
- Member, Nigerian Bar Association
- Member, International Bar Association
- Member, Chartered Institute of Arbitrators (UK)

Fellowship of professional bodies/institutes

- Fellow of the Nigerian Institute of Corporate Administration
- Fellow of the Chartered Institute of Mediators and Conciliators
- Fellow, Chartered Institute of Arbitrators (Nigeria)
- Fellow, International Dispute Resolution Institute (IDR)
- Fellow, Nigerian Institute of Advanced Legal Studies.

Conferences, symposia and seminars attended

- Numerous- Locally and Internationally
- Financial Crimes- Course
Cambridge- 2004

- Financial Crimes - Seminar Ghana 2009

Publications

Modern Bar Advocacy

Essays on the Administration of Justice in Nigeria

Papers presented

- Judge and Prosecutor Cooperation in Criminal Prosecution (Presented at a Training for Public Prosecutors at the institute of Advanced Legal Studies, 5-7 May 2019),
- Admissibility of Electronically Generated Evidence
- Recording of Evidence
- Comparative Analysis of the Penal Code, the Criminal Code, and the Criminal Procedure Act (Presented at the Nigerian Law School Practice Week for Law Students, 2-3 April, 2007
- Pitfall in Prosecution, Perspective from the Bench (Presented at a one Day Workshop for Prosecuting and Investigating Police Officers, held in Bauchi State on 11 January 2009 organized by Lawyers without Borders)
- Interlocutory Appeals and Stay of Execution (presented at the Institute of Advanced Legal Studies Lagos, 11- 12 June, 2007)
- Corruption as anathema to effective Dispensation of Justice Challenges and Way Forward (Presented at the 2006 Conference of all Nigeria Judges of the Lower Courts held between 13- 17 November 2006).
- The Implication of Disregard for Judicial Orders (Presented at the Law Week of the Law students Association of the University of Abuja 30 June 2005
- Ethics and Code of Conduct for Judicial Officers
- Criminal Trials in the Magistracy
- Execution of Judgment
- Reforms and the Prison as a Corrective Institution
- Adequate Funding of the Judiciary, the Dilemma of Magistracy
- Importance of Moot Court Trial
- The Evolution of Alternative Dispute Resolution Mechanism and many others.

Interests

Horse riding, travelling and reading

NOTE

Currently, I am undergoing a PhD in Law program with a special focus on constitutionalism and political parties, Nigeria as a case study

Referees

1. The Honourable Chief Justice (Rtd)
Hon. Justice Muhammadu lawal Uwais, GCON
2. The Honourable Justice L.H. Gummi (Rtd), OFR
Emir of Gummi & former Chief Judge of the FCT
3. The Honourable chief Judge
High Court of Justice
Kaduna State