

## **NIGERIAN BAR ASSOCIATION**

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## RE: APPOINTMENT OF SIX (6) JUSTICES FOR THE SUPREME COURT BENCH: CALL FOR EXPRESSIONS OF INTEREST

Pursuant to a request received from the Honourable Chief Justice of Nigeria and Chairman, Federal Judicial Service Commission requesting nominations of suitable candidates for appointment to the Supreme Court Bench from the following Geo-Political Regions: **South- East, South- South, South-West, North-Central and North-West,** the Nigerian Bar Association (NBA) issued a circular on 7<sup>th</sup> February, 2022 requesting its members who are interested in being nominated to forward their expressions of interest. The NBA has received expressions of interest from 24 of its members whose names, geo-political zones, states of origin and place of practice/employment are listed below:

S/N	Name	Gender	Geo- Political Zone/ State of Origin	Place of Practice / Employ ment	Nature of Practice/Employment	
1.	Abugu, Joseph	Male	South-South	Lagos	Professor of	
	Efeye <mark>m</mark> ineni		(Delta)	H	Law/University	
	Orom <mark>af</mark> unu (S <mark>A</mark> N)	3	ut 🗐		of Lagos	
2.	Achara, Richard	Male	South-East	Enugu	Professor of	
	Amarachukwu		(Abia)	51	Law/ Private	
	Chukwuemeka			\$ //	Legal Practice	
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3.	Ademi-Akpeto,	Male	South-South	Sapele	Private Legal	
	Promise		(Delta)		Practice	
	Besinginwayemi					
	Awolowo					

4.	Adesina, Joy	Female	South-South	Abuja	Private Legal
	Okungbowa (SAN)		(Edo)		Practice
					Course
					Reviewer/Resou
					rce
					Person/Lecturer
					at Nigerian
					Institute of
					Legislative and
		A8.	R $As_{S_{\lambda}}$		Democratic
					Studies
5.	Adesina, Mahmud	Male	South-West	Lagos	Private Legal
	Kola (SAN <mark>)</mark>		(Osun)	110	Practice
6.	Adolor, Su <mark>n</mark> ny	Male	South-South	Delta	Private Legal
	Onorieu <mark>k</mark> uhakp <mark>o</mark>	) 7	(Delta)		Practice Practice
7.	Ajayi, Ayo <mark>o</mark> la	Male	South-West	Og <mark>b</mark> om	Private Legal
	Adelekan		(Lagos)	osho	Practice
8.	Akande, Idowu	Male	North-	Kwara	Assistant
	Ayoola		Central	~ / / /	Director, Kwara
		We -	(Kwara)		State Ministry of
			HE NO		Justice
9.	Alabi, Awoniyi	Male	South-West	Osogbo	Private Legal
	Ademola		(Osun)		Practice/Lectur
					er 1, Faculty of
					Law Adeleke
					University Osun
10.	Ayagi, Nuraddeen	Male	North-West	Kano	Private Legal
	Ado		(Kano)		Practice
11.	Essien, Aja	Female	South-East	Port	Private Legal
	Miannaya (SAN)		(Abia)	Harcourt	Practice

12.	Ezeani, Rudolf	Male	South-East	Lagos	Private Legal	
	Udochukwu		(Anambra)		Practice/Executi	
					ve Director AfBA	
13.	Ezenwa, Ejike	Male	South-East	Onitsha	Private Legal	
	Chukwugekwu		(Anambra)		Practice	
	(SAN)					
14.	Giwa, Ayuba	Male	South-South	Delta	Senior	
	Omokhuwa		(Edo)		Lecturer/Associ	
					ate Dean,	
		AB,	$RAS_{S_{\wedge}}$		Faculty of Law,	
					Delta State	
				121	University	
15.	Idigbe, Anthony	Male	South-South	Lagos	Private Legal	
	(SAN)		(Delta)	A 1 50	Practice	
16.	Nwoch <mark>a</mark> , Matth <mark>e</mark> w	Male	South-East	Aba <mark>k</mark> aliki	Private Legal	
	Enya	7 1	(Ebonyi)	/	Practice/Profess	
			KI ~		or of Law/HOD,	
				131	Ebonyi State	
				~ / / /	University	
17.	Obiorah, Edwin	Male	South-East	Awka	Private Legal	
	Sunday		(Anambra)		Practice/Legal	
	Chukwujekwu				Adviser Catholic Diocese Awka	
	(SAN)					
18.	Omoregie,	Male	South-South	Benin	Private Legal	
	Ogbemudia Henry		(Edo)		Practice	
19.	Otaru, Roland	Male	South-South	Lagos/	Private Legal	
	Itoyah (SAN)		(Edo)	Abuja	Practice	
20.	Oyiwona, Richard	Male	North-	Port	Private Legal	
	Ujah		Central	Harcourt	Practice	
			(Benue)			
21.	Princewill, Stanley	Male	South-South	Port	Private Legal	
			(Rivers)	Harcourt	Practice	

22.	Shuaib,	Male	North-West	Abuja	Private	Legal
	Mohammed Salisu		(Kano)		Practice	
23.	Temim, Kadir	Male	North-	Ibadan	Private	Legal
			Central		Practice	
			(Kwara)			

In its commitment to ensuring that the process for the appointment of judicial officers of our superior courts is made more transparent and that only persons of the appropriate character and reputation are appointed to the Bench, the NBA publishes this list of potential appointees and requests that members of the Bar and the general public who know of any reason why any of the above listed persons should not be considered for appointment to the Supreme Court Bench should forward a petition stating their reasons.

The petition should be <u>received</u> at the National Secretariat of the NBA on or before 25<sup>th</sup> February, 2022 in hard copy or by email addressed to:

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Nigerian Bar Association, National Secretariat
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All petitions should include proof of the sender's identity. Anonymous petitions will not be considered.

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Chairman

**NBA Judiciary Committee**