



NBA ELECTIONS 2022:

MANIFESTO OF **ADAMA**  
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AS SECRETARY



## PROFILE

Dear learned SAN/Senior/ Colleague,

My name is **Adama MOHAMMED, Esq.** After thorough reflection and extensive consultations, I wish to formally intimate you of my intention to contest for the position of **Secretary of the Nigerian Bar Association Abuja [Unity Bar] Branch** in the forthcoming **2022 Elections**.

I have, in utmost humility, offered myself to serve the eminent Branch as the Secretary of the Unity Bar. Let me start, respectfully, with a brief introduction:

I obtained my Law degree from the University of Abuja, Nigeria in 2008 and Law School professional training at the Nigeria Law School, Bwari Campus, F.C.T. I was called to the Nigerian Bar in 2009. I have since garnered valuable legal experience and become an innovative Legal Practitioner with a specialisation in Corporate Law. I would describe myself as a 'Humanitarian' Advocate, Human Rights Activist, professional Mediator and Conciliator with over 14 years' of post-call experience working in the Power Sector.

In 2012, I proceeded to Robert Gordon University, United Kingdom, where I obtained an MSc in Energy Management [2013] and a Mini-NBA in 2020 from the Takeda Institute America {Online}. Adama is a Benefactor and multiple Paul Harris Fellow {PHF} of Rotary International. A Life Member of the International Federation of Women Lawyers {FIDA}, I am also a Fellow of the Institute of Chartered Mediators & Conciliators of Nigeria (ICMC), Fellow, Korean Government Capacity Development Programme (KOICA), Fellow,

Chartered Institute of Leadership & Good Governance, USA (CILG), Member, Muslim Lawyers of Nigeria; and the Legal Adviser of Women in Leadership {a non-Governmental Organisation} to mention a few.

I have previously served the Abuja Branch of the Nigerian Bar Association as the First Female Provost of the Unity Bar from the year 2017-to 2018. I served as Secretary to the Branch Sub-Committee on Constitutional & KPMG Review, [2018]; Secretary to the Branch Anti-Corruption Committee and Alternate Secretary Branch Committee on ADR. I was the immediate past Treasurer of FIDA Nigeria, Abuja Branch [2019 to 2021] and also serve as International Director/Chairperson International Services & Board Director Rotary Club of Abuja, Maitama Chapter [2020 to date]; and Director Rotary International Action Group on Menstrual Health & Hygiene.

I was the Vice-Chairperson, Student Representative Council {SRC}, Nigerian Law School Bwari Campus 2008-2009; member of

the ICPC Anti-Corruption Unit of Transmission Company of Nigeria {TCN}; Secretary, Muslim Lawyers Association of Nigeria Abuja Branch {First Woman Ever}; and Member, Unity Bar 2022 Law Week Planning Committee. I have played some roles in positively influencing the career development of so many Young Lawyers and have also contributed to humanity in my philanthropic activities. I was appointed the African/Nigerian Ambassador at Robert Gordon University during its One Nation International Student Cultural Show for the year 2013, where I successfully coordinated African students on the day, being the Nigerian Flag Bearer and winner of the Africa Women's dress parade in the Show. In the same year, 2013, I was awarded the RGU-UK Award as Student Orientation Ambassador & best Fundraiser for Children with Cancer. I am a multiple Awardee in all ramifications due to the public services I have rendered in different endeavours. I am widely travelled both local and International.

## MY ROLES IN PUBLIC SERVICE

My record of service to the noble Association is as follows:

- Member, NBA Abuja Branch 2022 Law Week Planning Committee
- Chairperson, Law Reform Committee-Rotary Club of Abuja Maitama Chapter. 2021-2022
- Secretary, Ramadan Iftaar Annual Lecture CPC 2022
- International Director/Chairperson, International Services & Board Director, Rotary Club of Abuja Maitama 2020-2022
- Secretary, Muslim Lawyers Association of Nigeria [MULAN]-Present
- Secretary, NBA Abuja Anti-Corruption Committee - Present
- Alternate Sec., NBA Abuja ADR Committee - Present
- Benefactor & a Multiple Paul Harris Fellow, Rotary International
- Member, NBA Law Week Committee 2016-20218 & 2022
- Member, MULAN Law Week Committee 2018-2020
- Member, MULAN Abuja Branch Prison Committee 2017-Present
- First Female Provost NBA Unity Bar Abuja 2017-2018
- Secretary, NBA Unity Bar Abuja Sub-Committee on Constitutional & KPMG Review. 2018
- Secretary, FIDA Abuja Advocacy & Human Rights Committee 2016-2019
- RGU UK- Nigerian & Africa Ambassador for Best Native Attire 2012-2013
- RGU- Student Orientation Ambassador & Fund Raiser for Children with Cancer. 2013
- Team Lead, Departmental Secretariat (TCN Legal). 2015-2018
- African/Nigerian Ambassador @RGU One Nation- International Student Cultural Show
- Successfully Coordinated African Students on the day, Nigeria Flag Bearer and Africa
- Women Dress Parade (Awarded A Certificate of Appreciation) 2013
- First Female Vice-Chairperson of the Student Representative Council
- (SRC) Nigerian Law School, Abuja Campus. Successfully performed all ancillary and delegated duties assigned to me. (Awarded a Certificate for Leadership) 2008-2009
- First Female Class Captain Law Class- Successfully Coordinated the Class Activities as an interface with the Faculty of Law & others, University of Abuja 2004-2008
- First Female Financial Secretary- LAWSAN, University of Abuja Branch

Kept and maintained all Association accounts with diligence and prudence. (Awarded a Certificate for Good Service) 2004-2008

I have endeavoured to discharge my duties with all sense of responsibilities and dedication over the years; I intend to bring on board my experience, coupled with humility, decency, openness, transparency and respect for all members of the Unity Bar and all third parties with which my role will require me to interact with.



## MY VISION FOR THE UNITY BAR

My aspiration to become the first female Secretary of the Unity Bar or the first in the last two or three decades, is borne out of my passion for public service and the advancement of the NBA in Abuja and Nigeria as a whole.

The Unity Branch needs to have mature, articulate and purpose-driven leadership. I have the innate ability to Multi-task, and use my initiative at a moment's notice, straight out of the box so to speak.

It is my joy that I have been able to garner the requisite experience to prepare me for the discharge of the duties of the Secretary of our lofty Branch.

## MY MANIFESTO

### **IF ELECTED, I HEREBY COVENANT TO:**

1. Ensure the NBA Abuja Secretariate is digitised and members are more technology savvy.
2. Create a work environment at the Secretariat that encourages initiative by members of the Branch.
3. Create an AR system for auto-response to issues and management of data and information.
4. Email minutes to members 24 hours after each Branch.
5. Liaise with all committees to ensure that their reports are available at least a week before each Branch meeting.
6. Working with banks to ensure the issuing of customised payment receipts and simplifying the process for dues and membership payments.
7. Ensure that the management and operations of the Secretariat are orderly, professional and consistent.
8. Help ensure that job specifications for members of staff and deliverables will be attached to staff positions.
9. Help create a clear career path for members of staff.
10. Streamlining our work plans to make it easy for the Chairman to work from anywhere in the world.
11. Fair access to capacity building, training and fundamental tools of work by members.
12. Improving the institutional memory of the Branch is as well as enhancing its record-keeping management.
13. Creation of a cloud membership directory with a full description of Members' addresses and areas of speciality

A portrait of Adama Mohammed, Esq., wearing glasses and a headscarf, is the background for the text. The image is split vertically, with the left side in grayscale and the right side in a light green color. A vertical pink bar is on the left edge, and a green bar is at the top. The text is overlaid on the right side of the portrait.

## CONCLUSION

As the Secretary of the Unity Bar, I will co-operate with the Chairman of the Bar in achieving the interest and aspirations of members of the association so that all the Legal Practitioners in the Federal Capital Territory will find it necessary to associate with the Unity Bar. I have the requisite experience, pedigree and competence to achieve this.

I will serve with strict adherence to the Rule of law and respect for the Bye-Laws of the Unity Bar being my focal point.

Vote me in as the Secretary, and I will do my very best to deliver in my usual passionate and painstaking style. Voting for me will also help us achieve an epochal first as the first female Secretary of the great Unity Bar, be part of a history-making opportunity.

I therefore humbly seek your endorsement and support to further serve the Unity Bar in the Capacity of Secretary in moving our noble Association to greater heights. By trusting me with your vote and support I assure you that the vote is well placed and you will be proud of this decision.

I will be pleased and open to suggestions and advice.

Long live the NBA!!

Long live the Unity Bar!

Thank you! God bless us all!

In your service,

**Adama MOHAMMED, Esq.**