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**CORE COMPETENCES AND SKILLS:**

Commercial awareness, Policy Research and Implementation, Compliance, communication skill, Stata

**EXPERIENCE**

**Center for Social and Behavioral Science** – Urbana, Illinois May 2024 – Date

*Policy & Research Legislative Fellow*, Office of Representative Carol Ammons

* Operationalizing [Illinois HR 453](https://ilga.gov/legislation/fulltext.asp?DocName=&SessionId=112&GA=103&DocTypeId=HR&DocNum=453&GAID=17&LegID=150755&SpecSess=&Session=) which recognized the Family Roots Genealogy Program; a project that aims to connect African Americans with extra-extended African relatives through autosomal DNA testing

**Spurlock Museum of World Cultures** – Urbana, Illinois *July 2023 – Date*

*Graduate Assistant*

* Taught over 70 hours of big history to 6th grade students using salt, gold, medicine, water and the Silk Road trade
* Gave a tour on Diverse ways of knowing, Empathy and Inquiry to hundred new Illinois judges.
* Creating educational materials on artifacts from Central Africa, Eastern Africa and Asia
* Curated a tour for 2nd grade students on celebrations in Africa
* Curated a tour on the influence of the Roman empire on the world
* Participated in the development of games that mirror the Silk Road Trade

**Illinois Legislative Black Caucus Foundation –** Springfield, Illinois *July 2022 – May. 2023*

[*Reflection on the Fellowship*](https://extension.illinois.edu/blogs/scholars-speak/2022-12-05-his-own-words-oluwakemi-adeyemi) *-* [*Science Policy Scholar*](https://dekalbtimes.com/stories/627539985-new-cohort-of-illini-science-policy-scholars-prepares-to-serve-illinois-diverse-communities)

* Secured speakers on DEI & Student Debt Forgiveness for the Foundation’s 2022 Annual Conference and subsequently prepared white papers
* Secretary of the Innovative Policy Solutions Brain Trust on health that recommends policy and educational solutions to health inequity
* Coordinated the scholarship program impacting over 100 students by attending to inquiries, providing technical support to applicants and receiving recommendations
* Pro bono representation to secure damages for breach of contract involving copyright infringement
* Reported on the history of the Voting Rights Act including judicial opinions that have impacted the Act
* Advised on possible ramifications of overruling *Roe v. Wade* on Black female Illinoisans
* Presented a report on Ghana’s economic indices and investment opportunities open to Black Illinoisans

**Duale, Ovia & Alex-Adedipe –** Lagos, Nigeria *April 2021 – July 2021*

*Associate*

* Advised on the private acquisition of the Ekpat Marginal field from the Department of Petroleum Resources
* Advised developer/energy supplier in connection with the installation and development of solar panels for Covid-19 isolation centers, with direct sponsorship by the World Bank
* Advised a leading enterprise service provider in a contract dispute over alleged illegal use of data
* Conducted data audit on a leading enterprise service provider in compliance with Nigeria Data Protection Regulation
* Advised on the privacy implications and significance of International Mobile Equipment Identifiers (IMEIs) and Mobile Station Integrated Services Digital Numbers (MSISDNs) as unique identifiers for online and offline touchpoints
* Advised a fintech company in its multi-million Naira endorsement contracts with Nigerian musicians

**P O Bajowa Chambers –** *Lagos, Nigeria July 2018 – April 2021*

*Associate*

* Successfully negotiated property recovery and debt repayment on behalf of a high-net-worth landlord
* Negotiated a partnership between an agric-tech entrepreneur and a software developer leading to the digital connection of farmers to a larger market
* Advised an auto-tech entrepreneur to copyright her proposed solutions
* Successfully defended an agency of the Federal Government in a suit challenging its executive action of confiscating goods
* Successfully defended a trademark infringement claim against a multinational organization

**Toba Olofinjana’s Chambers –** *Lagos, Nigeria Nov. 2017 - June 2018*

*Associate*

* Advised food entrepreneurs on securing corporate structures for their establishments
* Commenced a suit on behalf of a land holding community to defend its ownership of parcels of land
* Successfully secured release of a N400,000 bail bond lodged with the High Court of Lagos State

**Ekiti State Ministry of Justice –** *Ado-Ekiti, Nigeria Nov. 2016 - Oct. 2017*

*Legal Officer*

* Advised the State’s Ministry of Health to fund its blood bank through private sector participation
* Advised the State to comply with the terms of judgement debts awarded against it
* Co-counsel to Tribunal which probed the preceding administration
* Commenced the process for the recovery of over N7,000,000 on behalf of the State

**VOLUNTEER**

* Volunteer Attorney, The Immigration Project, Champaign Illinois
* Peer Advocate, Office for Student Conflict Resolution, University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign
* Volunteer, Hope Centre of the Vineyard Church of Central Illinois
* Coordinator, Aba-Ebira Community Project of Saving Hand Development Initiative

**EDUCATION**

**University of Illinois College of Law**, Champaign, IL, *JSD (Doctor of the Science of Law)*, Aug. 2023 – May, 2026

* Research Assistant
  + Professor Paul Head: Empirical Research on how Americans misunderstand copyright registration rules through *Reddit* posts.
  + Professor Margaret Wright: Article on developing a Secondary Market for Equity Crowdfunding in the United States
  + Professor Bob Lawless: Updated the 2024 edition of the Statutory Supplement to the Bankruptcy Code and Article 9
* Classes: Derivatives Law, Empirical Methods in Law, Transitional Justice, International Bankruptcy, Mergers & Acquisition

**University of Illinois College of Law**, Champaign, IL, *LLM (Master of Laws)*, May 2022, High Honors ***3.89/4.00***

* Classes: Secured Transactions, Bankruptcy, Corporate Law, Financial Accounting for Lawyers
* [Graduate Class C](https://www.linkedin.com/posts/oluwakemi-adeyemi-24889aa9_on-saturday-may-13-2022-i-completed-my-activity-6932510441151614976-YqzB?utm_source=linkedin_share&amp;utm_medium=android_app)ommencement Speaker, 2022 College of Law Convocation
* CALI Award (highest grade) for [Copyright a](https://www.cali.org/award/32DBE5C0)nd [Secured Transactions](https://www.cali.org/award/33C328E0)
* [Research Assistant t](https://twitter.com/drcolleenmurphy/status/1518391130064306176?s=20&amp;t=NWzQJa896v-YE6TPhIgc-w)o Professor Colleen Murphy on transitional justice

**Lagos State University**, Lagos, Nigeria *LLB (Bachelor of Laws)*, Jan. 2015, Second Class Upper **3.79/5.00**

* Thesis:[The Emerging Trend of Limited Liability Partnership](https://docs.google.com/document/d/0B7h0b6CdksFmZ2dCUVh2OV9hcnBqcS1wd1h0Z3N6NGQ3X01V/edit?usp=sharing&ouid=107341727104081947854&resourcekey=0-Dpb0zG9VIh3pHH3IUmuyMA&rtpof=true&sd=true)
* Judge, Court of Appeal of Lagos State University Student Judicial Council

**Nigerian Law School,** Yola, Nigeria, Nov. 2016, Second Class Upper

* Assistant Class Representative of a class of over 150 students

**BAR ADMISSIONS:**

* New York State Bar *–* 2024
* Nigerian Bar Association – 2016

**CERTIFICATIONS:**

* International Association of Privacy Professionals, [CIPP/US,](https://www.credential.net/59135348-83d0-47e9-9ae3-9eb24b8c6c3d?key=6176e33cfe8f9276c157cf6a2c6d3651f837c46ac2145a4bbd6f31973692f7cc) Sept. 2022
* WIPO-Harvard Law School Course on *Patent Law and Global Public Health* – January 2024

**SELECTED WRITINGS**

* [The Dynamics of Executive Orders in Nigeria](https://aolulaw17.medium.com/the-dynamics-of-executive-orders-in-nigeria-1-e66ff8ed79b2)
* [The Case for the Regulation of Hire Purchase by States](https://www.linkedin.com/pulse/case-regulation-hire-purchase-states-oluwakemi-stephen-adeyemi/)
* [The Option of Copyright Mortgage in Financing Nollywood](https://aolulaw17.medium.com/the-option-of-copyright-mortgage-in-financing-nollywood-1-8f084c67bd3d)