



**INTERNATIONAL LAW INSTITUTE, NIGERIA  
AFRICAN DEVELOPMENT LAW CENTRE, ABUJA.**

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**ADVANCE LAWYERING SKILLS:  
LEGAL WRITING, LITIGATION, ADVOCACY, ARBITRATION, NEGOTIATION,  
TIME AND STRESS MANAGEMENT AND OTHER LAWYERING SKILLS**

**INTENDED AUDIENCE:** Senior Members of the Legal Profession, staff of Legal Departments, Legal Secretaries, Legal Advisers, Arbitrators and Administrators in the Public and Private Sectors.

**COURSE OBJECTIVES**

It is designed to train and deepen the essential knowledge required in the conduct of litigation and the proven skills indispensable to act as a Solicitor and Advocate for the client. It includes preparation and all stages of trial; strategies for negotiating an out of court settlement; arbitration; modern legal writing; and other professional skills necessary to effectively perform as a lawyer.

**COURSE DIRECTORS:**

**D.D.Dodo SAN**

Studied at the Ahmadu Bello University Zaria (1985) for his LL.B and was called to the Nigerian Bar (1986). He is the Principal Partner with the reputable firm of D.D.Dodo & Co. He was elevated to SAN position in 2001 as the youngest SAN ever in Nigeria.

**Professor T. Osipitan SAN**

Professor Osipitan studied at the University of Lagos and the London School of Economics, called to the Bar in 1981. Appointed law Lecturer, University of Lagos in 1983 and promoted as a Professor of Law in 1998. In 2002, he was elevated to the rank of SAN. He is presently the Editor-in-Chief of the "Judgment of the Supreme Court of Nigeria". He is a member of many professional and academic organizations.

**Mohammed Bello Adoke FCIArb. SAN**

Mr. Adoke studied at the Ahmadu Bello University Zaria for his LL.B (1985). He was called to the Bar in 1986. He was a counsel (NYSC) at the Kano State Ministry of Justice and has been in private practice since 1989. He is a fellow of the Chartered Institute of Arbitration of London. He was elevated to SAN position in 2006.

**Bashir Yusuf Esq. LL.B (ABU 1979), LL.M (Lond 1983).**

He was: Lecturer (UniSok- 1981-86); Senior Lecturer (Nig. Law Sch.-1986-92); Company Sec/Legal Adviser-Nig. Export-Import Bank (1992-March 2003). He is currently the Principal Partner with Bashir Yusuf & Co. and is also a Senior Fellow at the International Law Institute, Abuja, Nigeria.

**Sylvester Imhanobe Esq.**

Studied at the University of Ife for his LL.B (1989) and University of Manchester for his LL.M as Chevenings Scholar (1993). He was called to the Nigerian Bar in 1990. He was a Senior Lecturer at the Nigerian Law School where he lectured from 1994 – 2003. He is currently a Partner in the law firm of Temple Legal Consult. He is the author of several Law Practice Books.

**COURSE OUTLINE:**

- **LEGAL WRITING**
  - Fundamental principles of modern legal writing.
- **OTHER LAWYERING SKILLS**
- **SETTLEMENT AND NEGOTIATION TECHNIQUES**
  - Negotiation styles and strategy
  - Elements of Negotiation
  - Outcome
- **DIRECT EXAMINATION AND CROSS EXAMINATION TECHNIQUES**
  - Elements of Direct / Cross Examinations
  - Legal Rules
  - Practical rules
- **APPELLATE ADVOCACY / COURT DEMEANOUR**
  - Drafting appellate briefs
  - Arguing the appeal
- **CLOSING ARGUMENTS**
  - Purpose
  - Elements of closing arguments
  - Rebuttal
- **ARBITRATION**
  - Techniques of International and Domestic Arbitrations
  - Alternative Dispute Resolution?
- **TIME AND STRESS MANAGEMENT**
  - Time Management
  - Stress free Chambers

**COURSE TUITION:** ₦45,000 per participants to cover Course materials, lunch and refreshment. Etc. Registration after 1<sup>st</sup> October will be ₦50,000.00.

**COURSE LOCATION:**

Rock view Hotels Abuja  
Plot 196/194 Adetokunbo Ademola Crescent,  
Wuse II, Garki Abuja

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