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## Background

Eric is the Managing Partner at K-Solutions & Partners in Kigali, Rwanda. Eric's role is to ensure the legality of commercial transactions, advising companies on their legal rights and duties. Eric understands aspects of contract law, securities law, insolvency, business organisation and employment law. Eric has over thirteen years of experience with the Office of the Registrar General operations and has worked extensively in the field of insolvency administration and liquidation proceedings. Eric has a keen interest in mortgage administration and receivership and has acted as legal advisor to the ORG New Business laws monitoring sub-committee. Eric is the current Honorary Consul for Côte d'Ivoire in Rwanda.

### **Professional Membership**

- Non-Executive Director for the Center of AI Policy & Innovation Ltd
- Board Member of GT Bank
- Member of the Rwanda Bar Association/RBA
- Member of the East African Law Society/EALS
- Member of the Kigali International Arbitration Centre/KIAC
- Member of the Disciplinary Committee of FERWAFA
- Former President Rotary Club Kigali Mont Jali

### **Professional Qualifications**

- MBA for Lawyers
- Graduate degree in Law, Independent University of Kigali
- Call to the Bar, Kigali Bar Association
- Bar Professional Training Certificate (CAPA), Rwanda Bar Association
- Accredited Receiver & Mortgage administrator, ORG RDB
- CIArb Certificate, Chartered Institute of Arbitrators

- Insolvency Administrator Certificate, ORG-RDB
- Associate of the Chartered Institute of Arbitrator
- CEDR Accredited Mediator
- KIAC KLRCA Certified Adjudicator
- ORG/RDB Master Class Turnaround Management (with TURNAROUND powerhouse).
- Professional Postgraduate Diploma in Legal Practice
- Private Notary Practice License, Ministry of Justice
- Rwanda Insolvency Law Training Course, RDB, INSOL International & World Bank Group

### **Career Summary**

2019 - Date: Honorary Consul of the Republic of Côte d'Ivoire in Rwanda

2007 - Date: Managing Partner, K-Solutions & Partners

### **Awards & Recognition**

- Eric is described as 'attracts recognition from market sources for his activity on "significant business transactions." He is additionally instructed to advise on securities and employment law, with particularly notable experience of insolvency, receivership and mortgage administration'. – Chambers 2021
- Eric is described as 'offers substantial experience and expertise in the hospitality, travel and tourism industries. His diverse practice includes work undertaken in employment, contract, insolvency and securities law, and he is viewed by the market as a "conscientious lawyer." Chambers 2019
- Eric has a well-established corporate practice incorporating a wide range of legal services, including securities law and capital markets. "He's very good with people and has a very analytical mind," say sources – Chambers and Partners 2018
- Eric is ranked as a Band 1 lawyer in Chambers Global, since 2015 to 2017 which recognizes that "He's very good with people and has a very analytical mind,"
- "He is very assiduous, always listens and gives excellent legal advice." Chambers global 2013.
- Eric is "informed, informative and very engaged," and praised for his strong client focus' Chambers global 2012.

### **Top Matters**

- Advising a South African company in connection with the granting of a concession for the operation of
  project converting gas to power and the setting up of corporate and contractual local structures.
- Advising an American Company in connection with a supply and purchase agreement with a state owned company.
- Drafting the law establishing and organising the Capital Market in Rwanda.
- Drafting the law N° 10/2009 on Mortgages as amended and complemented to date by the Law N°13/2010 of 14/05/2010 together with its instruction N°3/2010/ORG of 16/11/2010 on modalities of lease, sale, public auction and mortgage acquisition.
- Advising the RDB subcommittee in connection with the review and evaluation of the new Company Act of Rwanda.
- Advising the advisory committee of the RPSF in connection with the set up of the Rwanda International Arbitration Center.

- Advising the Rwanda Tourism Authority (ORTPN) in connection with the establishment of the Tourism Law in Rwanda.
- Acting as a member of the legal team advising the client in connection with the licensing reform in Rwanda – FIAS (World Bank).
- Advising a local entity of a listed American company in the fair trade sector in Africa and Latin America in connection with their setting up.
- Advising an international foundation in connection with the creation of Public Private Partnership for the management of a national park.
- Advising a Belgian real estate company in connection with the construction of 234 houses in Rwanda.
- Advising a Canadian investment fund in connection with the acquisition and financing of property assets in Rwanda.
- Advising an American investment corporation in connection with the acquisition of an agri-business company in the Northern Province of Rwanda, including conducting legal due diligence and drafting of the documentation for the acquisition and the financing.
- Advising an European investment bank in connection with conducting a legal due diligence and participating in the negotiations for the acquisition of a local commercial bank.