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Background

NanaAma Botchway is widely recognised as one of Ghana's foremost legal minds, with a stellar reputation that spans across Corporate/Commercial, Banking & Finance, and M&A.

As Founder and Managing Partner of N. Dowuona & Company | ALN Ghana, NanaAma has built one of Ghana's top-ranked law firms, known for its strategic counsel in corporate law, finance, and infrastructure. Under her leadership, the firm has become the trusted partner of choice for high-profile international transactions and global clients.

With decades of experience advising on transformative transactions, NanaAma has led on landmark deals including the USD 1 billion Ghana National ID PPP, the USD 200 million sale of Fan Milk International, and the USD 180 million LeapFrog investment in Enterprise Insurance Group. Her work blends commercial savvy with legal precision, making her a go-to advisor for complex cross-border matters.

Beyond her legal practice, NanaAma is a respected voice in corporate governance, serving on boards across Africa. She was recently appointed as a nonexecutive board member of ALN and sits as an independent non-executive director and chair of the ethics and sustainability committee at MTN Ghana. NanaAma was the inaugural Africa Regional Chair of the Global Alliance of Impact Lawyers.

Professional Membership

- Ghana Bar Association
- Chartered Institute of Restructuring and Insolvency Practitioners, Ghana (CIRIP)
- Chartered Institute of Taxation Ghana
- Global Alliance of Impact Lawyers (GAIL)
- Ghana Venture Capital Association
- Loan Market Association

Professional Qualifications

1997 Juris Doctor, Columbia University School of Law

1994 Master of Business Administration, New York University

1992 Bachelor of Arts, Princeton University

Career Summary

2011- Date Founder & Managing Partner, N. Dowuona & Company

2006 – 2011 Chief Operating Officer, Kingdom Zephyr Africa Management

2005- 2006 Law Lecturer, Ashesi University

2004 – 2006 Legal Consultant, Dowuona Consulting

2003 – 2004 Senior Associate, Bentsi-Enchill Letsa & Ankomah

2000 – 2002 Associate, Kronish Lieb Weiner & Hellman LLP

1997- 1998 Associate, Simpson Thatcher and Bartlett

1992 – 1994 Auditor, Deloitte and Touche, New York

Awards and Accolades

- NanaAma is ranked by Legal 500 as a 'Leading Partner' in Corporate Commercial M&A and Banking & Finance and is a 'Recommended Lawyer' by Legal 500 in Energy, and Infrastructure Projects.
- NanaAma is ranked Band 1 by Chambers Global under Corporate Commercial and Banking & Finance and ranked Band 2 in Projects and Energy.
- NanaAma is both an IFLR1000 'Women Leader' and a 'Market Leader' and was shortlisted for the IFLR African Women Dealmakers Hall of Fame 2025
- West Africa Partner of the Year (2023)- Africa Legal Awards
- Leading Foreign Investment & Acquisition Lawyer of the Year Ghana 2020 – Acquisition International

"NanaAma Botchway shows exceptional leadership and is a visionary; she has been an asset and pillar on the transaction." – **Chambers Global 2025**

"NanaAma Botchway has provided excellent support since I began working with her. She is an incredibly intelligent, dynamic, and professional attorney." – **IFLR 1000**

Top Matters

M&A

- Advising Acumen Resilient Agricultural Fund, an impact fund that invests in early and early-growth stage agribusinesses in Africa, in connection with its pre-Series A investment in Farmerline, one of Ghana's largest venture capital transactions in 2022.
- Advising Injaro Agricultural Venture Capital Ltd in connection with its acquisitions and exits in agribusiness and consumer marketing companies in Ghana.
- Advising Injaro Agricultural Venture Capital Ltd in their strategic acquisition of Outdoor Holding Limited, a private limited company incorporated in Mauritius.
- Advising OikoCredit, Acumen, Proparco, and Alethia in connection with the structuring of investments in

- Ghana's agritech ecosystem.
- Advising a leading fintech company in connection with the sale of a minority interest in its Ghanaian subsidiary.
- Advising multiple multinational companies in structuring their market entry strategies and commercial arrangements in Ghana.

Energy

- Advising on Occidental Petroleum's USD 750 million sale in Ghana's Jubilee and TEN fields to Kosmos Energy and Ghana National Petroleum Corporation.
- Advising MOAB Minerals in connection with its acquisition of a 15% stake in CAA Mining Ltd for expansion in Ghana.
- Advising a leading independent oil trading company in connection with the provision of a USD 100 million facility to an indigenous Ghanaian upstream oil and gas company in relation to the development of an oil block.
- Advising a global impact investment firm in connection with a proposed USD 20 million debt financing to support off-grid solar energy operations across three African jurisdictions, including advising on the structuring of the facility to ensure compliance with local regulatory and legal requirements.

Infrastructure Projects

- Advising a global consulting firm and a government ministry in connection with the development of a major national housing project, including conducting a detailed evaluation of bidder proposals, preparing a red-flag due diligence report on shortlisted parties, and drafting the Heads of Terms Agreement between the government and the selected development partner.
- Advising a client in connection with a strategic investment to finance the acquisition of a landmark commercial real estate asset in Ghana. The transaction, structured to enhance the investor's regional portfolio, involved the provision of immediate capital through a bridge loan facility to expedite the purchase, followed by a term loan arrangement to meet long-term financing requirements.
- Advising a national energy entity in connection with the proposed leasing of key assets and equipment to a third-party operator for refining activities, including advising on the structuring of the transaction, specifically through an equipment lease and an operation and maintenance agreement, to ensure legal and commercial viability.

Banking & Finance

- Advising AgDevCo, a prominent impact investor, in connection with the structuring and negotiating of a tailored debt facility. This financing supports the aquaculture company's expansion plans, boosts sustainable fish production, and enhances food security in Ghana, aligning with AgDevCo's objectives of fostering agricultural growth and rural development.
- Advising rePATRN Ltd, an innovative recycling and circular economy-focused enterprise, in connection with the structuring and securing financing for developing two new operational sites, including negotiating asset acquisition agreements, ensuring compliance with local regulatory frameworks, and facilitating seamless integration of these assets into their ongoing business operations.
- Advising M-Kopa, a pioneering African fintech and asset financing company, in connection with obtaining a microfinance license in Ghana. Our role encompasses comprehensive regulatory guidance, strategic compliance advice, and engagement with relevant authorities to secure timely approval and establish robust governance structures to support M-Kopa's expansion into the Ghanaian microfinance sector.
- Advising a leading Pan-African financial institution in connection with the structuring and documenting of a

- sophisticated financing arrangement for a pioneering commercial real estate investment trust (REIT) in Ghana, including guiding the client on compliance with real estate, investment trust, and financial regulations, and enabling the REIT to unlock significant investment opportunities in Ghana's commercial property market.