

# Priscilla Githinji

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## **Background**

Priscilla is a Principal Associate at ALN Kenya | Anjarwalla & Khanna and a member of the tax team. She focuses on Kenyan and cross-border taxation matters.

Priscilla has vast knowledge and experience in supporting a wide range of clients in providing tax advisory services, conducting tax health checks and due diligence, tax lobby support services as well as tax training. She also has experience in assisting clients with complex Kenya Revenue Authority tax audits as well as dispute resolution with the Kenya Revenue Authority including representing clients at the Tax Appeals Tribunal, the Kenyan Courts and the Alternative Dispute Resolution forums.

Prior to joining ALN Kenya, Priscilla worked in the tax practice at PricewaterhouseCoopers Limited in Kenya for 5 years.

Priscilla is an Advocate of the High Court of Kenya, a certified public accountant and a certified public secretary. She hods a Bachelor of Laws from the University of Nairobi.

# **Professional Membership**

- Law Society of Kenya
- Institute of Certified Public Accountants (ICPAK)

#### **Professional Qualifications**

2020: Certified Secretary (CS)

2016: Postgraduate Diploma in Law, Kenya School of Law

2014: Bachelor of Laws, LL.B, University of Nairobi

2012: Certified Public Accountant, (CPA-K)

# **Career Summary**

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Jan 2021 - Date: Principal Associate, Anjarwalla & Khanna, Advocates, Nairobi

Jul 2019 – Dec 2020: Assistant Manager, PricewaterhouseCoopers

Jul 2016 – Jul 2019: Senior Associate, PricewaterhouseCoopers

Apr 2015 – Jun 2016: Tax Associate, PricewaterhouseCoopers

Sep 2014 – Mar 2015: Audit Associate, PricewaterhouseCoopers

Apr 2014 - Aug 2014: Legal Intern, Sichangi & Company Advocates

Jan 2014 - Mar 2014: Legal Intern, Capital Markets Authority

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### **Top Matters**

#### **Tax Disputes**

- Acting for Rohto Mentholatum Kenya Limited in connection a customs duties tax dispute on valuation of goods against KRA at the Tax Appeals Tribunal.
- Acting for One Gas Limited, a bulk quantity supply of LPG, in connection with a VAT and customs duties dispute at the tax appeals tribunal. We successfully appealed the taxes imposed.
- Acting for Equity Bank Kenya Limited, a financial services provider headquartered in Nairobi, in connection
  with a witholding tax and VAT dispute against the KRA at the Tax Appeals Tribunal and the High Court of
  Kenya.
- Acting for Equity Bank Kenya Limited, a financial services provider headquartered in Nairobi, in connection with an income tax appeal against the KRA at the Tax Appeals Tribunal.
- Acting for Itochu Corporation Kenya Branch, the local subsidiary of Itochu, an international company in the business of product trading and business investment activities, in connection with a dispute at the Tax Appeals Tribunal in relation to KRA audit findings.
- Advising and supporting Alliance One Tobacco Kenya Limited, an agricultural company that delivers valueadded products and services, in connection with a tax dispute at the tax appeals tribunal.
- Acting for KOKO Networks, a company that operates within the energy, climate, media and retail sectors, in connection with a KRA audit finding relating to customs tariff classification. We successfully represented the client and the matter was finalised at the Application for Review Stage.
- Acting for Wananchi Kenya Limited, one of the leading providers of home internet services, in connection with a customs tax dispute at the Tax Appeals Tribunal and at the High Court of Kenya.
- Acting for Angelica Medical Supplies Limited, a Nairobi-based medical technologies, medical devices and niche market pharmaceutical products distributor, in connection with a customs dispute on tariff cladsification at the Tax Appeals Tribunal and the High Court of Kenya.
- Acting for Azalea Holdings Limited in connection with an income tax dispute relating to investment allowances at the Tax Appeals Tribunal and the Alternative Dispute Resolution Framework.
- Acting for Baraka Kenya Limited, a Kenyan importer, in connection with a customs dispute on Duty Remission Scheme at the Tax Appeals Tribunal.
- Acting for Finserve Africa Limited, a leading finech company in Kenya that offers financial management and financial accounting services, in connection with an income tax and VAT tax dispute at the Tax

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Appeals Tribunal and the Alternative Dispute Resolution Forum.

#### **Tax and Corporate Structuring**

- Acting for Finserve Kenya Limited, a leading fintech company in Kenya, in connection with an internal restructuring, including making a stamp duty exemptions application.
- Acting for FSD Africa in connection with the taxes applicable from a Kenya and Mauritian perspective on the proposed operational structure.

#### **Tax Advisory Services**

- Acting for Sanlam Group, the largest insurance company in Africa, in connection with the tax implications
  of its Bancassurance Agreement with KCB Group.
- Acting for Stanbic Group, a major South African bank and financial services group. in connection with the tax implications of their card fees transactions.
- Acting for Orpower Kenya Limited, the Kenyan subsidiary of US-based energy company, in connection with the tax implications of investment deductions.
- Acting for Arise BV International, an investment Company incorporated in the Netherlands, in connection with the tax implications of the Kenya- Netherlands Double Taxation Agreement.
- Acting for Printcare Universal PVT in connection with the potential benefits of setting up of operations at the Special Economic Zone and the tax incentives.
- Acting for IX Africa Data Centre in connection with the tax implications of employee share option plans (ESOPs) for Kenya employees and directors.
- Acting for a flower farm company in connection with the VAT implications in relation to sublease agreements.

#### **Tax Training**

Training the Kenya Bankers Association in connection with taxation in the banking sector.

#### **Lobby Work**

- Supporting the Petroleum Institute of East Africa in submission of memorandum to the Parliament on the Petroleum Products (Taxes and Levies) Amendment Bill, 2021.
- Successfully supporting International Chamber of Commerce in lobbying for tax incentives in the e-mobility sector which were incorporated in the Finance Act, 2023.

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