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Background

Sahondra is the Managing Partner at Madagascar Law Offices. She specialises in corporate and transactional matters, with extensive experience in project finance, M&A, corporate and employment law. She regularly advises clients investing in petroleum, mining, telecommunications, hospitality, and energy projects in Madagascar.

Sahondra is a graduate of Harvard Law School who returned to Madagascar in 2004 after having practiced for several years in San Francisco, California, USA. She is also a graduate of the Woodrow Wilson School at Princeton University and Reed College. She is a dual citizen of Madagascar and the United States, and is fluent in English, French and Malagasy.

Sahondra is the President of the Committee to Safeguard Integrity (CSI), an anti-corruption body in Madagascar. She is also a former member of the Malagasy civil society, Sehatra Fanaraha-Maso ny Fiainam-pirenena (SeFaFi) or Observatoire de la Vie Publique, and a former Chairman of the Madagascar Biodiversity Fund (FAPBM).

Professional Qualifications

1998: Juris Doctor, Harvard Law School, Harvard University.

1995: Masters in Public and International Affairs (Economic Development), Woodrow Wilson School of Public and International Affairs, Princeton University.

1992: Bachelor of Arts in History, Reed College, Université de Paris I, Panthéon-Sorbonne.

1987: Baccalauréat, Série C, Collège Saint Antoine, Antananarivo, Madagascar.

Career Summary

Oct 2006 – Date: Managing Partner, Madagascar Law Offices, Antananarivo, Madagascar.

Sept 2004 – Sept 2006: Partner, HK-SR, Keyserlingk-Rabenarivo Associés, Antananarivo, Madagascar.

Oct 1998 – Aug 2004: Associate, Thelen Reid and Priest LLP, San Francisco, California, USA.

Summer 1997: Summer Associate, Thelen Reid and Priest LLP, San Francisco, California, USA.

Summer 1996: Legal Intern, U.S. Agency for International Development (USAID), Antananarivo, Madagascar.

Summer 1995: Summer Assistant, The World Bank, Central Africa and Indian Ocean Division, Washington, D.C., USA.