

**DR ANTHONY IDIGBE, SAN, FCIARB****Full name:** Anthony Idigbe**Address:** Plot 45, Oyibo Adjarho Street, Lekki Phase 1, Lagos**Nationality:** Nigerian**Educational/Professional background with qualification dates:**

Osgoode Hall Law School, York University, Toronto	2022	Ph.D.
University of Toronto	2015	GPLLM
Robert Gordon University, Scotland	2012	LLM Construction and Arbitration Law
Enugu State University of Science & Technology	1997	MBA Management
University of Lagos	1988	LLM
Nigerian Law School	1983	BL (2:1)
University of Ife	1982	LLB (2:1)
Admitted to practice law in Nigeria (July 1983) and Ontario, Canada (June 2016)		
Elevated to the rank of Senior Advocate of Nigeria	2000	
Appointed Notary Public	1989	

**Work experience (with dates):**

Doctoral Research Candidate, Osgoode Hall Law School, York University, Toronto, Canada	September 2017 to November 2021
President, PUNUKA Consulting Inc.	February 2013 till date
Consultant, PUNUKA Attorneys & Solicitors	January 2013 to date
Senior Partner, PUNUKA Attorneys & Solicitors	April 2009 to December 2012
Managing Partner, PUNUKA Attorneys & Solicitors	March 2006 to March 2009
Managing Partner, PUNUKA Chambers/Idigbe & Idigbe	March 1990 to February 2006

Partner, R.I. Kuku & Associates	May 1989 to February 1990
Associate, Chambers of Mr. H.A. Lardner SAN	September 1984 to April 1989
Lecturer, Nigerian Army School of Finance and counsel in Nigeria Military Police, Arakan Barracks Apapa Lagos (compulsory one-year National Youth Service Corps)	September 1983 to August 1984

## **POSITIONS HELD**

### **In Professional Bodies:**

- President, Business Recovery and Insolvency Practitioners Association of Nigeria (2011-2013)
- Founder and Pioneer Chairman, Capital Market Solicitors Association (2001-2006) and now Chairman, Board of Trustees
- Founder and Pioneer Chairman/President, Legal History Society of Nigeria
- Founder and Pioneer Chairman, Construction and Infrastructure Chambers of Nigeria (CICN)
- President/ Chairman of Council, Asaba Chamber of Commerce, Industry, Mines & Agriculture
- National Legal Adviser, Nigerian Association of Chambers of Commerce, Industry, Mines & Agriculture (NACCIMA)
- Delegate to the ICC Commission on Arbitration and ADR (the 'Commission')

### **In the Private Business Sector:**

- Director, Royal Exchange Plc
- Chairman, Statutory Audit Committee, SEPLAT Petroleum Development Company Plc (2015 – 2023)
- Chairman, Audit Committee, Petra Microfinance Bank (2017 – 2023)
- Director, Leoplast Industry Limited (2012-2015)
- Chairman, Ikeja Hotel Plc
- Former Chairman, Capital Hotel Plc (2017 – 2022)
- Chairman, Tourist Company of Nigeria Plc
- Chairman, Salus Trust Limited
- Director, Ardogreen Energy Limited
- Director, Punuka Investment Limited and other private companies

## **FELLOWSHIPS:**

- International Bar Association (IBA)
- Insolvency International (INSOL)
- Chartered Institute of Arbitration (CIArB), United Kingdom
- Business Recovery and Insolvency Practitioners (BRIPAN)
- Advertising Practitioners Council of Nigeria (APCON)

## **MEMBERSHIPS:**

- International Insolvency Institute (III)
- London Court of International Arbitration (LCIA)
- Lagos Court of Arbitration (LCA)
- Legal History Society of Nigeria (LHSON)
- Nigerian Bar Association (NBA)
- Association of International Petroleum Negotiators (AIPN)
- Nigerian Institute of Directors (IOD)
- International Chamber of Commerce Nigeria (ICCN)
- International Chamber of Commerce Arbitral Panel
- Panel of Arbitrators, Singapore International Court of Arbitration

## **WORK EXPERIENCE: ARBITRATION**

### **I. INTERNATIONAL ARBITRATION**

#### **A. Institutional Arbitration**

##### **1. As presiding arbitrator**

- Chair of the panel in LCIA arbitration on a gas transaction between a company and a national oil company. I withdrew due to a nationality conflict issue.

##### **2. As co-arbitrator**

- Co-arbitrator in ICC arbitration in London over a dispute over the termination of the sale contract to purchase an interest in an Oil Mining License between a major IOC and a bidder. I withdrew due to a potential conflict.
- Co-arbitrator in ICC arbitration in London on a software development dispute between a developer and payment solution provider. Award published.

3. As counsel

- Support counsel in ICC arbitration between Ivorian state oil regulator regarding shareholding and oppressive conduct by Nigerian oil and gas company. Award published.

**B. Ad Hoc arbitration**

1. As presiding or single arbitrator

- Dispute between the tank farm owner and international investor over the tank farm business management and returns to the investor. Resolved by consent award.

2. As co-arbitrator

- Co-arbitrator in arbitration between IOC and national oil company on a dispute over carry funding agreement for the development of oil asset. Pending.

3. As counsel

II. DOMESTIC ARBITRATION

**A. Institutional Arbitration**

1. As presiding arbitrator

- Chairman of the panel in arbitration between an investor and a bank that acted as issuing house with Final Award on liability and damages for breach of obligations under Vending Agreement.

2. As co-arbitrator

### 3. As counsel

- Sole Arbitrator in dispute between oil tank farm owner and investor in the business resulting in a consent award.

## **B. Ad Hoc arbitration**

### 1. As presiding arbitrator

- A dispute between an IOC and oil service provider over call-up arrangement. Award published.

### 2. As co-arbitrator

### 3. As counsel

- Counsel to Respondent/Counterclaimant in arbitration over management of a company's business that owned a motor assembly plant settled in a consent award.
- Lead Counsel Respondent/Counterclaimant in arbitration between issuing houses and an issuer involving underwriting claims worth over N15 billion. The final award was rendered in favour of the respondent/counterclaimant.
- Counsel to the claimant in arbitration between a major IOC and its catering supplier regarding a dispute regarding unpaid invoices for services rendered onboard a vessel belonging to Defendant. Award in favour of the Defendant.
- Lead Counsel to claimant in arbitration between shareholders over corporate governance dispute involving assessment of damages. Final Award rendered in favour of Claimant.
- Lead Counsel to claimant in arbitration between vessel owners and oil and gas service company involving a claim for damages under charter party dispute. The final award was rendered on 19th November 2010 in favour of the claimant.
- Lead Counsel to the respondent in arbitration between software retailer and end user in a channel distribution arrangement with original equipment

manufacturer, which allowed the porting of services among retailers of the equipment manufacturers. Award published.