



# LEGAL PRACTITIONERS' PRIVILEGES COMMITTEE

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The Legal Practitioners' Privileges Committee (LPPC), under the distinguished Chairmanship of His Lordship, the Hon. Chief Justice of Nigeria, Hon. Justice Kudirat Motonmori Olatokunbo Kekere-Ekun, GCON, at its 169th Plenary Session held today, the 24th day of July, 2025, has approved the elevation of 57 ( fifty- Seven) legal practitioners to the prestigious rank of **Senior Advocate of Nigeria (SAN)**.

The rank of Senior Advocate of Nigeria is conferred as a mark of professional excellence upon legal practitioners who have demonstrated exceptional distinction either as advocates in the courts or as academics contributing significantly to the development of legal scholarship.

During the session, the Committee also considered three (3) petitions submitted against certain applicants. Upon thorough review, each petition was found to be lacking in merit and was accordingly dismissed.

In accordance with the directives of the Body of Senior Advocates of Nigeria (BOSAN), all shortlisted prospective Senior Advocate of Nigeria (SAN) conferees are required to attend and successfully complete the Pre-Swearing-In Induction Programme. Participation in



this programme is a mandatory prerequisite for the formal conferment of the rank of SAN.

Furthermore, in line with Paragraph 25(1) of the *Legal Practitioners' Privileges Guidelines* and the provisions of Rule 39(3) of the *Rules of Professional Conduct, 2023*, all shortlisted conferees must refrain from publishing and discourage the publication of advertisements, congratulatory messages, or goodwill notices related to their nomination or conferment. Any breach of these provisions may attract sanctions for violations of statutory or ethical rules as expressly stated.

The **Swearing-In Ceremony** for the 57 successful applicants is scheduled to hold on Monday, the 29<sup>th</sup> day of September, 2025.

The list of newly appointed Senior Advocates of Nigeria for the 2025 conferment exercise is as follows:

**ADVOCATE APPOINTEES (IN ORDER OF SENIORITY AT THE BAR)**

1. THEOPHILUS KOLAWOLE ESAN, ESQ
2. FEDUDE ZIMUGHAN, ESQ
3. ERNEST CHIKWENDU IKEJI, ESQ
4. VICTOR ESIRI AKPOGUMA, ESQ
5. LESLIE AKUJUOBI NJEMANZE, ESQ
6. AKINTUNDE WILSON ADEWALE, ESQ
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9. HANNIBAL EGBE UWAIFO, ESQ
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12. OROMENA JUSTICE AJAKPOVI, ESQ

13. TAIRU ADEBAYO, ESQ
14. BAWA AKHIMIE OSALI IBRAHIM, ESQ
15. SULEH UMAR, ESQ
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17. GODWIN SUNDAY OGBOJI, ESQ
18. GODWIN AIMUAGBONRIE IDIAGBONYA, ESQ
19. ADEOLU OLUSEGUN SALAKO, ESQ
20. ADETUNJI OSO, ESQ
21. ACHINIKE GODWIN WILLIAM-WOBODO, ESQ
22. SHUAIB AGBARERE MUSTAPHA, ESQ
23. ADIZUA CHU-CHU OKOROAFOR, ESQ
24. OLANREWaju TASLEEM AKINSOLA, ESQ
25. AMAECHI FIDELIS ITESHI, ESQ
26. ADAKOLE EDWIN INEGEDU, ESQ
27. OYINKANSOLA BADEJO-OKUNSANYA, ESQ
28. DAVID OGENYI OGEBE, ESQ
29. AMINU SANI GADANYA, ESQ
30. OLUSEUN AWONUGA ADENIYI, ESQ
31. IKECHUKWU RAPHAEL UWANNA, ESQ
32. AYODEJI JOSEPH ADEMOLA, ESQ
33. KELECHI NWAIWU, ESQ
34. LAWAL GARBA HUDU, ESQ
35. IBIM SIMEON DOKUBO, ESQ
36. LUKA ABUBAKAR HARUNA MUSA, ESQ
37. SHAKEER ADEDAYO OSHODI, ESQ
38. OLUWOLE TOLUPE JIMI-BADA, ESQ
39. MUBARAK TIJANI ADEKILEKUN, ESQ



- 40.CHINYERE EKENE MONEME,ESQ
- 41.SHUAIBU MAGAJI LABARAN, ESQ
- 42.KINGSLEY TOCHUKWU UDEH,ESQ
- 43.AUGUSTINE ENENCHE AUDU,ESQ
- 44.ALI DUSSAH ZUBAIRU,ESQ
- 45.ADEYEMI ADEBAMBO PITAN,ESQ
- 46.HABEEB ABDULRAHMAN OREDOLA, ESQ
- 47.ABDULAKEEM LABI-LAWAL, ESQ
- 48.VICTOR AGUNZI,ESQ
- 49.NKWEGU LUKE OGBAGAEGWU,ESQ
- 50.BIDEMI IFEDUNNI ADEMOLA-BELLO,ESQ
- 51.TEMILOLU FEMI ADAMOLEKUN, ESQ
- 52.ABDULKARIM KABIRU MAUDE ,ESQ
- 53.ADEDAYO GBOLAHAN ADESINA,ESQ
- 54.USMAN YUSUF ZAIYANU ,ESQ
- 55.TAIWO AZEEZ HASSAN,ESQ
- 56.OLUFEMI OLUBUNMI OYEWOLE, ESQ

The successful Academic Applicant is:

1. PROF. CHIMA JOSEPHAT UBANYIONWU

Dated at Abuja, Federal Capital Territory this 24<sup>th</sup> day of July, 2025.



**KABIR ENIOLA AKANBI, ESQ**  
**CHIEF REGISTRAR OF THE SUPREME COURT OF NIGERIA /**  
**SECRETARY LPPC**