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- DATE OF BIRTH:** - 6th January, 1959.
- NATIONALITY:** - Nigerian.
- MARITAL STATUS:** - Married with two children.
- EDUCATION:** - B.Sc. Political Science.
University of Calabar, Nigeria, 1983.
- LL.B, University of Lagos, Nigeria, 1988.
- LL.M, University of Lagos, Nigeria 1996.
- Advance Diploma Commercial Law and Practice,
University of Lagos, Nigeria, 1998.
- Advanced Management Programme (AMP)
Lagos Business School, 2001.
- BAR ADMISSION:** - Admitted to the Nigerian Bar, 1989.
Practicing Lawyer engaged in private legal practice since 1990.
- ADMISSION TO THE INNER BAR (SILK):** - **Admitted to the Inner-Bar as a Senior Advocate of Nigeria (SAN), being the equivalent of the English Queen's Counsel (Q.C) on 12th April, 2009.**
- LEGAL TRAINING/EXPERIENCE:**
Nigerian Law School
Victoria Island, Lagos.
1988 -1989
- Passed with honours and was called to the Nigerian Bar in December, 1989.

- The Chambers of Mr. H. A. Lardner, SAN - Counsel at the Chambers of Mr. H.A. Lardner S.A.N., Lagos, Nigeria, 1990 – 1994.
A purely litigation firm. Gained considerable experience in litigation in all the superior courts in Nigeria, at the High Court, the Court of Appeal and the Supreme Court.
- Dorothy Ufot & Co. - Managing Partner and Founder, Dorothy Ufot & Co. Lagos, Nigeria. Since 1994 till date.
- AREAS OF SPECIALISATION: - International Commercial Arbitration, Investment Treaty Arbitration, Enforcement of Foreign Arbitral Awards, Litigation, Documentation of International Contracts, Oil & Gas, Joint Ventures, Securities and Capital Market Operations, Mergers & Acquisitions, Foreign Investments (FDI & FPI), Divestments, Banking & Finance, Sales and Distribution Contracts, Insolvency, Shipping, Corporate/ Commercial Law.
- PRESENT POSITION: - Lawyer, International Arbitrator, Investment
Consultant and Managing Partner, Dorothy Ufot & Co.
- ARBITRATION TRAINING/QUALIFICATIONS:
Chartered Institute Of Arbitrators (U.K.) - Fellow, Chartered Institute of Arbitrators (FCI Arb) – (U.K.) 2000.
Successful at the Fellowship examination of the Chartered Institute of Arbitrators, London, held in Barcelona, Spain in September, 1999.
- Chartered Arbitrator – Chartered Institute of Arbitrators, London - 2003.
Successful at the peer interview which took place in Amsterdam, The Netherlands in May, 2003.
- PUPILAGE TRAINING IN INTERNATIONAL ARBITRATION: Trained as a pupil arbitrator under Mr. Anthony Canham, Chartered Engineer, Chartered Arbitrator and Past President of the Chartered Institute of Arbitrators, U.K. from October 2000 to May, 2003 leading up to qualification as a Chartered Arbitrator.
- ARBITRATION EXPERIENCE: - Practical experience in both Institutional and Ad-hoc Arbitrations having received several appointments as an Arbitrator from reputable arbitral institutions, Federal Government Parastatals, Multinational Oil Corporations, State Governments, Private and Public Limited Liability Companies in Construction, Oil & Gas, Energy, Financial Services and Capital Market disputes, with the value of the disputes ranging from Four Billion Naira to USD 400 Million, amongst which are the following disputes between:
- (i) An International Construction Company V. The National Road Agency of an African State.
- International Road Construction Contract.
- Institutional Arbitration – Arbitration Institute of the Stockholm Chamber of Commerce (SCC).
- International Tribunal of 3.

- Appointed by the SCC Institute of Arbitration.
 - **Value of dispute – USD 50Million.**
- (ii) An International Telecommunications Company V. A Nigerian Telecommunications Company.
- Telecommunications/Roaming Contract.
 - Institutional Arbitration – International Court of Arbitration of the International Chamber of Commerce (ICC).
 - International Tribunal of 3.
 - Party appointed by the Nigerian Telecommunications Company.
 - **Value of dispute – USD 3Million.**
- (iii) A Multinational Oil Company V. The Nigerian National Petroleum Corporation (NNPC).
- Production Sharing Contract (PSC)/Concession Agreement.
 - International Tribunal of 3.
 - Party appointed by the NNPC.
 - **Value of dispute – USD400Million.**
- (iv) An International Construction Company V. A Multinational Oil Company.
- Liquefied Natural Gas (LNG) Contract.
 - Tribunal of 3.
 - Party appointed by the Construction Company.
 - **Value of dispute – USD 45Million.**
- (v) An International Construction Company V. A Nigerian State Government.
- Construction Contract.
 - Tribunal of 3.
 - Party appointed by the State Government.
 - **Value of dispute – USD26 Million.**
- (vi) A Construction Company V. A Multinational Oil Company.
- Construction/Engineering Contract.
 - Tribunal of 3.
 - Party appointed by the Oil Company.
 - **Value of dispute – Equivalent of USD 50Million.**
- (vii) A Construction Company V. A Multinational Oil Company.
- Dredging Contract.
 - Tribunal of 3 party.
 - Party appointed by the multinational oil company.
 - **Value of dispute – USD13 Million.**
- (viii) A Construction Company V. A Multinational Oil Company.
- Construction of staff quarters and recreational facilities for the oil company.
 - Tribunal of 3.
 - Party appointed by the multinational oil company.
 - **Value of dispute – 4 Billion Nigerian Naira (equivalent of about (USD 30million)).**
- (ix) An Oil & Gas/Maritime Company V A Multinational Oil Company.

- Vessel charter contract for conveying Oil & Gas products.
- Tribunal of 3.

- Party appointed by the Multinational Oil Company.
- **Value of dispute – USD 13.5Million.**

- (x) An Engineering/Construction Company V. An Estate Company.
 - Construction of Estate Town Houses/Bank Guarantee.
 - Court appointed Sole Arbitrator.
 - **Value of dispute – USD 2.5Million.**

- (xi) The Nigerian National Petroleum Corporation (NNPC) V. A Construction/Engineering Company
 - Construction of Staff Quarters for the NNPC.
 - Tribunal of 3.
 - Party appointed by the NNPC.
 - **Value of dispute – Equivalent of USD 500,000.**

- (xii) A Construction Company V. A Nigerian State Government.
 - Construction Contract.
 - Tribunal of 3.
 - Party appointed by the State Government.
 - **Value of dispute – USD721,467.32.**

- (xiii) An Individual V. A Public Limited Liability Construction Company.
 - Construction Contract.
 - Tribunal of 3.
 - Appointed Chairman by the two parties appointed Arbitrators.

SOME OF THE ARBITRATION AWARDS PUBLISHED:

Arbitral Institution Name and/or Case Reference.	Nature of Dispute.	Approximate sum In Dispute.	Date of Award.
(1). Stockholm Chamber of Commerce (SCC) V: 09/2009.	International Road Construction Project.	USD 55Million.	25th January 2012.
(2). Ad Hoc Arbitration. Multinational Oil Company V. Nigerian National Petroleum Corporation (NNPC)	Oil & Gas Production Sharing Contract/ Concession Agreement.	USD 400Million.	5th October 2011.
(3). Ad Hoc Arbitration. Oil & Gas/	Vessel Charter for Oil & Gas products.	USD 13.5Million	22 nd September, 2011.

Maritime Company V. Multinational Oil Company.			
(4). Ad Hoc Arbitration. Construction Company V. Multinational Oil Company.	Construction of LNG Pipeline.	USD 45Million.	16th May, 2011.
(5). Ad Hoc Arbitration. Engineering Company V. Estate Development Company.	Construction and Refurbishment of Estate Town Houses and Irrevocable Bank Guarantee.	USD 2.5Million.	3 rd December, 2010.
(6). International Chamber of Commerce (ICC) Case No. 16/25/GZ.	Telecommunications- Roaming Contract.	USD 3Million.	23rd August, 2010.
(7). Ad Hoc Arbitration. Construction Company V. Multinational Oil Company.	Dredging Contract – Dredging of the coastal area of an oil mining lease.	USD13Million.	28th August, 2007.
(8). Ad Hoc Arbitration. Construction Company V. Nigerian State Government.	Building Construction Project.	USD 26 Million.	12 th October, 2004.
(9). Ad Hoc Arbitration. Construction Company V. Nigerian State Government.	Building Construction Project.	USD 580,000.00.	15 th August, 2003.

AVAILABILITY:

- Available to act as an arbitrator in any jurisdiction.

PANEL MEMBERSHIP:

- Member of the Arbitration Panels of the following institutions:
 - The Singapore International Arbitration Centre (SIAC).
 - The Hong Kong International Arbitration Centre (HKIAC).

- The International Energy Arbitrators' List.
- The Chartered Institute of Arbitrators (U.K.).
- The International Centre for Dispute Resolution (ICDR).
- The Regional Centre for International Commercial Arbitration, Lagos, Nigeria.

**INTERNATIONAL RECOGNITION IN
INTERNATIONAL ARBITRATION:
Commercial**

- Listed consecutively in the Global Arbitration Review's (GAR) International Who's Who of Arbitration Practitioners in 2009, 2010, 2011 and 2012, as one of the world's leading experts in the field of International Arbitration.

PUBLICATIONS:

- **1.** Author of the Global Arbitration Review's (GAR) International Arbitration know-how Nigeria Chapter which can be viewed at the GAR Website at

<http://www.globalarbitrationreview.com/know-how/topics/61jurisdiction/18/nigeria/>

- **2.** Author of the ILO's legal Newsletter updates on International Arbitration – Nigeria Chapter which can be viewed at the ILO Website at

<http://www.internationallawoffice.com/newsletters/details.aspx?r=25386>

- **3.** The influence of the New York Convention on the development of International Arbitration in Nigeria. Journal of International Arbitration Volume 25, Number 6, December 2008. Published in Commemoration of the 50th Anniversary of the New York Convention 1958.

UNPUBLISHED SEMINAR PAPERS:

- **1.** Foreign Investments and International Commercial Dispute Resolution in Nigeria.
- **2.** The Nigerian content and the settlement of international business disputes in the upstream oil & gas sector: promoting Nigerian involvement in the upstream industry.
- **3.** Dispute Resolution in the International Oil and Gas Industry.
- **4.** Settlement of International Business Disputes In Nigeria: The International Commercial Arbitration Option.
- **5.** Venue and the Conduct of Arbitration in International Commercial Arbitration.
- **6.** Basic Principles of Arbitration.

7. The Lawyers' drafting tools in International Trade Agreements.

8. Vision To Reality Growing Your business.

9. Empowering Women in the Maritime Industry.

10. Breaking the Glass Ceiling.

11. The African Woman and Her Career:
Tradition/Culture in Career Choices.

Seminar papers available upon request.

PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIP AND
POSITIONS HELD:

- **Member, ICC International Court of Arbitration, Paris. 2006 till date.**

- Member, ICC Commission on Arbitration Paris, 2004 till date.

- Member, Task Force on the New York Convention of the ICC Court of Arbitration, Paris.

- Member – ICC Institute of World Business Law, Paris.

- Vice-Chair, Arbitration Commission of the International Chamber of Commerce – Nigerian National Committee (ICCN).

- Member – International Council of Commercial Arbitration (ICCA).

- Former Executive Member of Arbitral Women, Paris.

- Member, London Court of International Arbitration (LCIA).

International Bar Association.

(i) Former Vice-Chair of the Arbitration Committee of the IBA (2006-2008).

(ii) Member of the IBA Task Force on Ad Hoc Arbitrator's Terms.

(iii) Member of the Nominations Committee of the IBA.

(iv) Former Member of the Council of the Legal Practice Division (LPD) of the IBA.

(v) Member of the Arbitration, Mediation, SEERIL(energy and oil & gas),Telecommunications, Maritime, Capital Market Committees of the IBA.

- Executive Member – Chartered Institute of Arbitrators, Nigerian Branch.

- Treasurer – International Chamber of Commerce (ICC) Nigerian National Committee.

- Swiss Arbitration Association.

- Institute for Transnational Arbitration, Texas USA (Advisory Board Member).
- Association of International Petroleum Negotiators (AIPN) Houston, Texas, USA.
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- Member of the Advisory Board of the Journal of International Arbitration.
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- Nigerian Bar Association.
- Member, the Lagos Chamber of Commerce and Industry.
- Member, Capital Market Solicitors Association.
- Nigerian Society of International Law.

ADVANCE ARBITRATION TRAINING :

- Managing the Arbitration Process. Advance Management Symposium organized by the ICDR for International Panel Members, Auckland, New Zealand, October, 2004.
- PIDA Courses in International Arbitration, ICC Institute of World Business Law, Paris 2002 and 2004.

TEACHING SKILLS IN ARBITRATION:

- Approved Tutor and Examiner for the Chartered Institute of Arbitrators (U.K.) for Associate, Membership and Fellowship courses. Has participated as a Tutor and an Examiner in several Associate, Membership, and Fellowship courses of the Chartered Institute of Arbitrators.

LITIGATION EXPERIENCE:

- Represents major banks, Oil and Gas Companies and other companies in Litigation at the Federal High Court, State High Courts, Court of Appeal and at the Supreme Court of Nigeria.

SOCIAL RESPONSIBILITY:

- Assists in the decongestion of Nigerian Prisons by defending indigent inmates on pro bono basis at the Court of Appeal and the Supreme Court of Nigeria and has secured the acquittal, discharge and release of three condemned prisoners on pro bono basis at the Court of Appeal.

PERSONAL ATTRIBUTES:

- Integrity, hardwork, honesty, focus and loyalty. Highly motivated, self-confident and self-driven. Good interpersonal skills and a good team player.

PROFESSIONAL ATTRIBUTES:

- Professional/Business Ethics, diligent and thorough.
- Good knowledge of International Trade Law, International Commercial Arbitration, Investment Arbitration, Antitrust and Investment Laws generally. Conversant with the on-going globalization of the world economy.

- Good knowledge of Securities Law and Practice, International Construction Law and International Oil and Gas Law.
- Experienced Litigator and International Arbitrator.
- Committed to the growth and development of the Client's business.
- Registered by the Nigerian Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC).

COMPANY DIRECTORSHIP:

- **Former Member of the Governing Council of the Nigerian Stock Exchange (NSE) and Chairman of the Rules and Adjudication Committee of the NSE.**
- **Former non-executive director of Chevron Oil Nigeria PLC.**
- **Former non-executive director of MRS Oil Nigeria PLC.**

CONFERENCES, COURSES/
SEMINARS ATTENDED:

- Attends a minimum of four International conferences on law and arbitration annually, including the following:
- ICSID 101 – Hong Kong October, 2012
- Annual Conference of the IBA- Annually, since 1996 to date.
- IBA Arbitration Days – Annually.
- ICCA Congresses – Every two years.
- LCIA Symposiums – Regularly.
- Global Arbitration Review (GAR) Live London.
- Association of International Petroleum Negotiators (AIPN) Conferences.
- Institute of Transnational Arbitration Conferences.

LANGUAGE:

- Very fluent in spoken and written English.

REFEREES:

- a. Mr. Anthony Canham, C Eng. FICE, FCIArb, FBAE
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- d. Dr Pierre A. Karrer
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