

Mr Julius Nkafu MCIArb CV

Call: 2006

Julius Nkafu was called to the English Bar at the Inner Temple in 2014 and called to the Cameroon Bar in 2006. He was enrolled as a solicitor of the supreme court of E&W in 2002. He obtained his first degree in law (premier degre en droit public) in the University of Yaoundé Cameroon, CPE, LLM at the London Guildhall University, PGCE at the University of Greenwich and PGC in Transnational Oil & Gas and Energy Law, University of Derby. He started his legal Career in 1995 at MHQ Solicitors in the Docklands. He set up Julius & Co solicitors in 2006 and in 2010 became a partner at Julliz Solicitors LLP. Julius is extremely hard working and will always try to find a solution to any matter that he is instructed on. Having practised as a solicitor for many years Julius understands the pressures solicitors can be under at times. He is able to accept instructions at very short notice and attend solicitor's offices for conferences.

Before joining the Bar, Julius was instructed by other solicitors by way of Agency to represent clients in court, presenting their cases and arguments. Julius has been invited to present papers and speak at some very high level events abroad organised by governments and the private sector dealing with energy and other matters.

Julius has received training in Trust, Diplomacy and Conflict Transformation from the Institute for conflict Cooperation and Security, at the University of Birmingham. This has broadened his knowledge and expertise which enhances his experience for practise in Alternative Dispute Resolution

Julius has been an elected member (Councillor) in the London borough of Hackney and a member of the Cabinet for crime and Community safety over 12 years and understands the law making process and the reasoning behind various laws. During this period, he chaired various committees and groups including the first Recommendation 61 (Macpherson report) monitoring group in the United Kingdom.

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Julius was one of three lawyers in a team of 12 international observers appointed by the Commonwealth to observe and write a report on the Zambian General Elections which took place on the 11 of August 2016. This involved a detailed look at electoral laws and other relevant laws of the country to see to what extent the laws where complied with and to write a report with recommendations.

His specialist areas include:

- **Energy Law:** Julius has represented and continues to represent energy companies in Africa on matters ranging from initial start-ups of operations to dispute resolution. This includes the oil and gas sector, mining and renewable energy. Julius works with city firms in London and Cameroon to deliver on some of the cases in Cameroon in particular. Julius, having been called to the Cameroon Bar and practises there too, is to represent foreign investors in the OHADA region of Africa.
- **Employment law**: Julius has represented both claimants and respondents in the Employment tribunals and appeals. He has also represented a good number of commonwealth service men in the British Army in discrimination claims against the MoD.
- Civil and commercial litigation: Julius has represented many clients on a variety of issues leading to litigation.
- **Immigration**: Julius has represented a large number of clients across the UK in making initial applications, appealing and seeking judicial review.
- **Family**: Julius has represented clients on divorce matters, contact/residence and ancillary relief matters.
- **Mediation and arbitration**: Julius is a co-founder of JCS mediation a mediation company and has advised on arbitration clauses and participated in arbitration involving big companies in the Oil and Gas Industry.
- Regulatory work: Julius has represented Nurses before the NMC and dealt with appeals before the county court. As a result of his substantial previous experience as a solicitor, Julius will be interested in representing Solicitors, Doctors and Nurses before their respective regulatory bodies.

Languages: French and English

Education: LLB, LLM, PGCE, PGC in Transnational oil and gas and Energy law.

Membership:

- Chair Cameroon Business Council
- Commonwealth Lawyers Association

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- Association of the Promotion of Arbitration in Africa (APAA)
- Former member of Immigration Law Practitioner Association (ILPA)
- Chair, Africans for labour
- Member Africa Justice Foundation
- Accredited Peer with the LGID
- Pro bono legal advisor at the citizen's advice bureau
- International Council for Commercial Arbitration

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