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Summary

Certified Anti-Money Laundering Specialist with a strong legal background and 6 years of experience in Corporate Governance, Compliance, Risk and Policy Management. Adept at interpreting complex laws and regulations, implementing robust compliance programs, conducting investigations and thorough audits. Committed to upholding the highest ethical standards and maintaining up-to-date knowledge of legal requirements.

Education & Certification

Certified Anti-Money Laundering Specialist

ACAMS, Global | Dec 2023

B.L

Nigerian Law School, Lagos, Nigeria | Nov 2015—Oct 2016

LL.B, Bachelor of Laws

University of Lagos, Lagos, Nigeria | Sept 2010—Jul 2015

Positions Held: Secretary – Society for Literal Arts; Head Chair - Debate society,

Facilitated three workshops on gender based violence and equity in present society.

Work Experience

Western Union

AML Compliance Officer, North America | Dec 2022—Present

- Lead WU Anti-money laundering Compliance & Anti-Fraud programs, principles, standards & oversight expectations within territory.
- Managed risks identified during 218 compliance reviews Offsite Points of Sales reviews & WU locations
 - Successfully proposed and implemented corrective action measures, reducing compliance flags by 30% year-on-year.
 - Developed and introduced a Compliance chatbot for new and existing regulations, improving analyst efficiency by 13%

AML Compliance Officer, East & West Africa | Sep 2021—Dec 2022

- Executed on established WU AML (Anti-money laundering, Compliance & Anti-Fraud programs, principles, standards & oversight expectations /within assigned territory.
- Conducted testing and assessed non-compliance in Agent locations. Supported remediation efforts to ensure each location's compliance program improved up to Western Union Compliance Standards.
- Supported the development of the regional corporate compliance program, aligning with international legal and regulatory requirements.

Fidelity Bank of Nigeria

Compliance Specialist, Nigeria | Dec 2020—Sep 2021

- Served with the transaction monitoring team and lead sanction screening on prospective customers/account holders in the Bank.
- Completed in depth risk ratings for key accounts and high volume operators in line with Bank's established policies.
- Managed intake and review of requests from regulators and law enforcement agencies.
- Collaborated with key stakeholders to identify and analyze relevant data
- Developed and implemented corrective action systems to improve the Bank's internal compliance-review-processes.
 - Oversaw comprehensive compliance risk assessments, optimizing the bank's compliance framework.
 - Launched a quarterly Compliance Newsletter for the bank and published 2 issues with 84% subscription rate.

Avaris Worldwide Ltd

Legal & Compliance Associate, Nigeria | Jan 2019—Nov 2020

- Developed processes that ensured compliance with applicable Oil and Gas codes, in addition to its legal and statutory requirements.
 - Led the creation of the company's Code of Conduct and related policies.
 - Implemented an online compliance, ethics and safety training program for 22 employees with a 100% completion rate.
- Streamlined company's statutory account records, improving information retrieval efficiency by 66% using cloud storage.
- Supported investigations on non-compliant matters and issues through verification of information analysis, identification of issues, and escalation of questionable issues.
- Maintained statutory books, including registers of members, directors, and shareholders with all their existing shareholdings, organised 2 board meetings and 1 annual general meeting.

Kayode, Aarinola &Co Legal Practitioners & Consultants

Legal Associate, Nigeria | Jan 2018—Mar 2019

- Acted as an escalation point for issues arising out of compliance reviews and investigations
- Oversaw the day-to-day handling of litigation files under the guidance of a supervising lawyer.
- Supported 71 contract reviews and agreements, ensuring they complied with state and federal laws

Olawoyin & Olawoyin Legal Practitioners & Consultants, Nigeria | Jan 2017—Dec 2017

- Prepared court processes and made court appearances on behalf of clients.
- Drafted legal documents such as pleadings, affidavits, motions, conference briefs, and other litigation documents

Skills

Compliance Strategy, SQL, Risk Assessment, Risk Mitigation, Regulatory Oversight, Project Management, Compliance Testing, AML Standards, OracleDB, AML Regulatory Frameworks, Transaction Monitoring, Microsoft Power Apps, Legal Drafting, Legal Research, Litigation

Projects & Volunteering

- Communications Lead: Western Union Social Committee, Barbados | Dec 2022 Present
- **200 Hours Yoga Teacher Training**: The Yoga Alliance | Jun 2023
- Blog The YogaMuse Yoga and health care Blog | Dec 2021 May 2022
- Blog humanrightsnigeria.wordpress.com | Feb 2020 Sep 2021
- Self-defense Instructor | Apr 2017 Mar 201: Empowered over 100 women and children with self-defense skills

Languages:

English (Native), Yoruba (Bilingual), Spanish (Elementary), French (Elementary)