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## COMPANY **PROFILE**

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## Who we are

In an increasingly changing world, with New Technological and other Developments, the one thing that remains constant is the need for Legal Counsel that understands the client's needs and is agile enough to change and match the demands of the season.

At Namara, Musinguzi & Company Advocates, we commit to Relationship, Excellence and Integrity.

We understand the need for stellar and out of the box solutions delivered excellently and with utmost integrity. Delivery of such tailor-made solutions is only achievable when the lawyer has a relationship with the client, fully understands the client's product and is at all times ready to offer legal "out of the box" solutions.

Namara Musinguzi & Company Advocates is a boutique law firm that opened its doors to the public in January 2022. The firm was established to meet the need for the provision of legal services that are transcendently Excellent, Meticulous, Solution oriented and delivered on time.



Providing transcendently excellent Legal Services in a timely and agile manner.



To offer out of the box solutions to Legal problems.



#### · Excellence

At Namara Musinguzi & Co.
Advocates, excellence means
swift turnaround time in delivering
on assignments whilst not
compromising on quality. There is
absolutely no tolerance to mediocrity
both in terms of delivering on time
and also on delivering solutions to
the client.

#### · Integrity

Our excellent and out of the box legal solutions do not compromise on Ethics and Honesty. This core value guides us in all that we do at the firm.

#### Relationship

The Client is viewed not only as one but also in a more personal way. We view the Client's business as our business and hence offer tailor made solutions, unique to each Client and their needs.



# **Corporate & Commercial Practice**

- a. Company Advisory: We offer advisory to both national and multinational companies from the time of incorporation and also post incorporation through routine legal compliance, company secretarial services and the filing of all necessary compliance documents.
- **b. Insolvency:** Whether a company is closing business voluntarily or by order of Court, we are present to offer the necessary legal advisory until the completion of the insolvency process.
- c. NGO Advisory: With a rapidly changing legal regime, Non-Governmental and Community Based Organizations are in need of Counsel that will help them keep abreast with the evolving laws and can promptly advise them on compliance related aspects. In addition to the above, we also specialize in the registration and acquisition of permits for NGOs and Community Based Organizations.
- d. Employment Law: We are cognizant of the need for healthy employeremployee work relations and this we facilitate by: participating in and

- offering legal advice during the recruitment process, reviewing human resource manuals and ensuring that they are in compliance with the law, advising during the pre and post disciplinary hearing process and rendering opinions on different facets of employment law.
- e. Banking & Finance: This entails carrying out the necessary due diligence for account opening and disbursement of loans respectively, preparation and perfection of securities, debt recovery and advisory on all matters banking and finance.
- f. Intellectual property: We assist the client in registration of trade and service marks, patents, copyright and all intellectual property.
- g. Revenue Law & taxation: The client is advised on their tax obligations right from the obtaining of a tin number and all the changes brought about by the consistently changing tax regime of Uganda.

## **Real Estate & Conveyancing**

We have an unprecedented turnaround time in the executions of conveyancing instructions and these include registration of transfers, all charges on land and most importantly, the carrying out of the necessary due diligence on property before we can advise a client to buy.

The due diligence that we carry out goes beyond the usual "search at the lands office" and extends to practical due diligence including site visits and correspondence with all necessary parties.

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Our immigration practice takes into account both nationals and non-nationals. For nationals, we advise on the obtaining of passports and dual citizenship respectively (For Ugandans in the diaspora).

Regarding non-nationals, our advisory revolves around the obtaining of work permits of all classes and obtaining of citizenship (both renunciation and dual)

## ||||||||||Family Law Practice

Our Family Law Practice entails the Administration of Estates by providing legal support in executing Wills, Probate, and Trust creation & management.

It also covers areas such as Divorce proceedings, Guardianship, and Child Custody, focusing on protecting the Client's rights and interests.

# ||||||||Legal consultancy

In an ever-changing legal regime, our clients must be kept abreast of all changes. This area of practice covers expert and strategic advice and guidance to enable informed decision-making and navigation of complex legal challenge especially in relation to Trade within the East African Community as well as emerging markets.

## **Legal & Regulatory Compliance**

In an ever-changing legal regime, it is important that our clients are kept abreast of such changes and understand what is fully expected of them.

We do this through the writing of legal alerts on impactful judgment and legislation and subsequently updating the Clients in regard to their obligations. We also carry out training in different areas in which our clients need to be compliant.

## ||||||Dispute Resolution

This is a multi-faceted Department that handles Resolution of Disputes by Litigation and Alternative Dispute Resolution respectively.

Arbitration is one of the firm's niches and core focuses. With expertise and a dual, perspective, we represent and strongly advocate for our clients' interests using Alternative Dispute Resolution methods to achieve optimal outcomes while minimizing the need for prolonged litigation.

The Litigation arm of this department boasts of a strong team that represents local, regional, & international corporate clients in all courts and tribunals in Uganda. In all contentious matters, Mediation is considered the method of first resort in the resolution of disputes because we believe that Alternative Dispute Resolution methods save the Client's time as well as resources

## |||||||Construction Law

The team has experience and offers advisory services across the construction spectrum from procurement to project inception throughout the entire chain of the project to Dispute Avoidance, Adjudication and Arbitration.

We further advise clients on the best choice of construction contract and provide legal guidance in respect to drafting and interpretation of construction contracts.



#### **OUR TEAM**



#### ANN NAMARA MUSINGUZI Managing & Founding Partner

Ann is the Managing and Founding Partner of the Firm.

Ann has curved out a niche in the practice of Arbitration: as both an Arbitrator and Counsel in Arbitration & Adjudication Matters. She is often appointed on Arbitral tribunals and Dispute Avoidance & Adjudication Boards because of her recognized unique analytical skill set coupled with a critical attention to detail. Further, because of her recognized experience and thought leadership, Ms. Namara is widely sought after as a panellist and moderator to discuss the trending issues affecting the arbitration sector regionally and internationally by bodies including; the Chartered Institute of Arbitrators-Uganda Chapter, International Chamber of Commerce Young Arbitration & ADR Forum (ICC YAAF) and the Uganda Law Society. She has also conducted trainings within the East African Community for inhouse lawyers for a Petroleum Company and is a recognized thought leader on leading cases and trends in the practice of arbitration.

Ann is also a seasoned Construction Law Expert and she has extensive experience in the representation of multinational clients especially in construction related disputes arising from breach of the terms of construction contracts and because of her expertise, the firm is retained by leading players in the construction industry.

Ann also provides corporate and compliance services as well as legal representation in commercial disputes to both local and international Clients who because of her attention to detail and the ability to provide out of the box solutions; hold her services in high regard.

Prior to establishing Namara Musinguzi & Co. Advocates, Ann worked with ALP Advocates as Head of the firm's Corporate & Commercial Department and later headed the Regulatory & Compliance Department of the firm.

Ann also worked with Arcadia Advocates and MB Gimara Advocates, majorly in the Banking & Financing where she was the Deputy Head of the Department and Corporate & Commercial Department respectively. In all the mentioned law firms, Ann meticulously delivered beyond what was expected of her and left an indelible mark.

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#### ANN NAMARA MUSINGUZI Managing & Founding Partner

Ann is an Advocate of the High Court of Uganda, and a member of the Uganda Law Society and the East Africa Law Society. She holds a Bachelor of Laws Degree from Makerere University, a Post Graduate Diploma in Legal Practice from the Law Development Centre in Kampala and a Certificate in Trial Advocacy from Justice Advocacy Africa. She is also a member of the Chartered Institute of Arbitrators United Kingdom.



# NAMBI DINAH ANN Legal Associate dinah@namaralaw.com

Dinah is a Legal Associate at the firm. Her core areas of Practice include; Corporate and Commercial compliance, Alternative Dispute Resolution, and Litigation.

With a deep-seated belief in the importance of regulatory adherence, she provides clients with insightful legal guidance that ensures their businesses operate within the confines of the law while maximizing their commercial objectives.

Dinah serves as a Tribunal Secretary for several Arbitration and Adjudication Tribunals, playing a pivotal role in managing the procedural aspects of complex matters.

She is also committed to guiding clients through the complexities of family law and immigration practices, handling sensitive matters with the utmost care and professionalism.

Dinah further ensures that Clients receive thorough representation and achieve favorable outcomes in litigation by meticulously preparing for each case, conducting in-depth legal research, and crafting compelling arguments tailored to the unique circumstances of every client.

Prior to joining Namara Musinguzi & Co. Advocates, Dinah worked at R. Nsubuga & Co. Advocates and ADIL Advocates & Solicitors respectively. She also worked in the legal department of the Foundation for Human Rights Initiative. In all these entities, Dinah ensured that the Clients received comprehensive and accurate legal support.

Dinah is an Advocate of the High Court of Uganda and a member of the Uganda Law Society and the East Africa Law Society. She holds a Bachelor of Laws Degree from Uganda Christian University and a Postgraduate Diploma in Legal Practice from the Law Development Centre. She is also a holder of a Certificate in International Commercial Arbitration from the University of Cincinnati USA in association with Uganda Christian University, a Certificate in Human Rights awarded by the Foundation for Human Rights Initiative, and a Certificate in Human Rights Law awarded by the United Nations in coniunction with the John Sentamu Institute of Human Rights and Humanitarian Law..





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