

**ORGANISATION MONDIALE  
DE LA PROPRIÉTÉ INTELLECTUELLE**

**Centre d'arbitrage et de médiation de l'OMPI**



**WORLD INTELLECTUAL  
PROPERTY ORGANIZATION**

**WIPO Arbitration and Mediation Center**

## **WIPO LIST OF NEUTRALS**

### **BIOGRAPHICAL DATA**

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Nationality: Ugandan

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### **EDUCATIONAL AND PROFESSIONAL QUALIFICATIONS**

Diploma in Legal Practice Dip (DIP LP.LDC), Law Development Center, 1991;  
Master of Law LL.M., Makerere University Kampala;  
Bachelor of Laws (Honors) LL.B., Makerere University Kampala, 1990.

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### **LANGUAGES**

English, French.

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March 16, 2005

### **PRESENT POSITION**

Legal Practitioner and Partner, Semuyaba Iga & Advocates.  
Advocate, Trademark, Patent Agent.  
Notary Public Commissioner for oaths.  
Arbitrator, Mediator.

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### **PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE BEFORE PRESENT POSITION**

Legal Advisor.

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### **MEMBERSHIP IN PROFESSIONAL BODIES**

Ugandan Law Society (ULS);  
International Bar Association (IBA);  
Institute Of Trademark Agents (ITMA);  
Chartered Institute Of Patent Agents (CIPA);  
International Trademark Agents (INTA);  
Marques (Association Of European Brand Owners);  
Pharmaceutical Trademarks Group (PTMG);  
Association Internationale de Jeunes Avocats (AIJA);  
Union Internationale Des Avocats (UIA).

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### **AREAS OF SPECIALIZATION**

Alternative dispute resolution, banking civil litigation, computer programs, computer software, distributorships, employee contracts, information technology, insurance, international commercial arbitration, international commercial law, joint ventures, licensing, mergers and acquisitions, passing off, patent litigation and infringement, pharmaceutical marks, trade names, well known marks and trademarks.

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### **EXPERIENCE IN INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY**

Patent, trademark registration and infringement litigation.

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### **EXPERIENCE WITH RESPECT TO DOMAIN NAMES**

Certificate in information technology, Uganda Management Institute.

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### **MAJOR PUBLICATIONS**

LL.M. Thesis - Protection of Intellectual Property and Transfer of technology in the service sector in Uganda - Examining WTO/TRIPS arrangements in as far as they are implemented in Uganda;  
The Role of Non Governmental Organisations in Development in Uganda LL.B. Thesis;  
Legal aspects of international E-Commerce;  
The Y2K Legal Matrix;  
The Role of a Lawyer in Capital Markets Development, Washington D.C.

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### **EXPERIENCE IN COURT LITIGATION**

Advocate of the Supreme Court, High Court of Uganda, since 1993.

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### **PROFESSIONAL TRAINING IN MEDIATION**

Development Lawyers Course, IDLI, Rome, Italy;  
U.S./Africa Legal Exchange Program, ADR Training;  
ADR course and international law and practice training, American Bar Association (ABA), District of Columbia Court, Washington D.C.;  
ADR, Training, International Law Institute, Kampala.

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### **EXPERIENCE IN MEDIATION**

Mediation practice in Chambers/Law Firm, court annexed mediation program in Ugandan courts, mediation training in District of Columbia courts Washington D.C.

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### **PROFESSIONAL TRAINING IN ARBITRATION**

Development Lawyers Course IDLI Rome, Italy. U.S./Africa Legal Exchange Program, ADR Training, American Arbitration Training - District of Columbia courts Washington D.C. court annexed Arbitration programs - Ugandan courts.

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### **EXPERIENCE IN ARBITRATION**

Trademark dispute between two Chinese companies;  
Dispute between a Spanish bank and a Ugandan bank over an international loan agreement to

finance Railway wagons purchased from Spain;  
 Dispute over licensing, trademarks and patents;  
 Two trademark opposition cases.

**ARBITRATION EXPERIENCE**

**SUMMARY TABLE**

Type	Administering Institution		Role			
	Name	Number of Arbitrations	Presiding Arbitrator	Sole Arbitrator	Co-arbitrator	Counsel
International Arbitrations	AAA					
	ICC					
	LCIA					
	Ad Hoc					
	Others:	7				7
Number of cases: sub-total		7				7
Domestic Arbitrations	Centre for Alternative Dispute Resolution	15				15
	High Court Uganda	20				20
Number of cases: sub-total		35				35
<b>TOTAL</b>		42				42



**MEDIATION EXPERIENCE**

**SUMMARY TABLE**

Type	Administering Institution		Role	
	Name	Number of Mediations	Mediator	Counsel
International Mediations	Registrar of Trade Marks	3		3
	Registrar of Patents	1		1
	Ad Hoc			
	Others:			
Number of cases: sub-total		4		4
Domestic Mediations	High Court of Uganda	35		35
	Centre for Alternative Dispute Resolution	29		29
Number of cases: sub-total		64		64
<b>TOTAL</b>		68		68