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On Wednesday March 11 the World Health Organization announced the coronavirus outbreak (COVID-19) a [global pandemic](http://www.who.int/), sending a message to world leaders that this outbreak is spreading internationally.

As the world continues to deal with the repercussions of the COVID-19 pandemic, we at AGA Africa convey our admiration and solidarity to all the emergency, medical support team and volunteers all over the globe who through these truly difficult circumstances are continuing to work selflessly to fight the pandemic.

Given the current situation, AGA-Africa is addressing the pandemic by taking the following steps;

- Our Country Coordinators will be working with our stakeholders to reschedule trainings, conferences and workshops to alternative dates later in the year
- Where possible, AGA-Africa workshops will be supported through the use of our online platforms. This includes video conferencing, webinars and livestream
- In specific countries, we may engage additional local and regional subject matter experts due to the travel restrictions.
- We will actively find ways to continue the conversation on important issues via our monthly newsletter, [website](http://agaafrica.org/) and social media platforms [https://www.facebook.com/agaaap1/](https://www.facebook.com/agaaap1/), [https://www.instagram.com/aga_africa/?hl=en](https://www.instagram.com/aga_africa/?hl=en) [https://twitter.com/AGA_Africa](https://twitter.com/AGA_Africa)
- We will endeavor to provide our members with regular updates via our social media platforms

We sincerely regret having to reschedule our events, but the health and well-being of our facilitators, stakeholders and participants is a top priority for AGA-Africa.

We hope that you and your families remain safe during this crisis and thank you for your patience.
WHAT YOU NEED TO KNOW ABOUT THE CORONAVIRUS OUTBREAK:

COVID-19 is a respiratory disease with severe flu-like symptoms caused by a coronavirus that was first identified on December 31 in Wuhan, China. It is a new strain that was discovered in 2019 and has not been previously identified in humans.

How is it spread?

Coronaviruses typically spreads in droplets through the air when an infected individual coughs or sneezes. The virus can move from person-to-person, either by someone inhaling the droplets, or by touching them on surfaces then touching their face. This is why social distancing is vital to slowing the spread of the virus.

HEALTH AND SAFETY MEASURES

Regularly clean up: This is the first line of self-care, therefore, ensure you your hands frequently with an alcohol-based hand rub, sanitizer or wash them with soap and water. Avoid touching eyes, nose and mouth.

Maintain social distancing and self-quarantine in case of suspected infection: According to the WHO, common symptoms include fever, fatigue and a dry cough. Aches and pains are also common. About 80% of those infected can recover without any special treatment. Maintain at least 1 meter (3 feet) distance between yourself and anyone who is coughing or sneezing and follow advice given by your healthcare provider.

Stay on, remain interconnected: We are advocates for utilizing available online resources to continue our daily work, that means continuous use of online platforms such as emails, online remote work and conferencing tools in place of in-person meetings.

Watch out for each other, care for Community: COVID-19 has been found to affect the elderly populations, the CDC notes that people of any age with chronic conditions such as heart disease, diabetes and lung disease face higher risks. Children face lower risks of severe illness, which is a marked contrast from a typical seasonal flu. Should you know a member of family or community who may need help, kindly let us be the first in line and the best we can to support them.

Sharing is caring, support others with available resources: Many across the world are doing their best to secure enough utilities to curb the infections. Let us all be there for each other by sharing our resources so that we can all beat this pandemic.

Stay informed: Last but not least, keep informed on the latest developments about COVID-19. Follow advice given by your healthcare provider, your national and local public health authority or your employer on how to protect yourself and others from COVID-19. Remember to also watch out for any misinformation and help curb such by sharing and always getting information from official sources.


For more information on COVID-19, please visit;


CDC guidance and resources for the US healthcare community: https://www.cdc.gov/

NYC Stop the Spread of Coronavirus! https://www1.nyc.gov/site/doh/health/health-topics/coronavirus.page

US Department of Labor - OSHA: https://www.osha.gov/SLTC/covid-19/additional_resources.html

Dear Readers,

It is my pleasure to introduce the twenty-second edition of the AGA-Africa monthly newsletter. We continue to work with our partners to strengthen the rule of law and combat transnational crimes in Africa.

In January, AGA-Africa in collaboration with the Office of the Director of Public Prosecutions Kenya (ODPP) and the Office of the Attorney General (OAG) for the District of Columbia held the first Prosecutors mentorship programme in Washington DC, USA. We also attended the State of the Judiciary and Administration of Justice 2018-2019 Report (SOJAR) launch at the Supreme Court, in Nairobi, Kenya.

AGA-Africa also collaborated with the Wildlife Investigators Training Alliance (WITA) in the donation of Anti-Wildlife surveillance equipment to the Ministry of Tourism & Art and Department Of Parks & National Wildlife in Lusaka, Zambia.

In February, the Attorney General Alliance Africa in collaboration with the Food and Drugs Authority Ghana (FDA) held a 3-day workshop on Prosecution of Regulatory Crimes in Accra, Ghana. In the following week, we collaborated with the Kaduna State Ministry of Justice to organize a 2-day workshop on Effective Administration of Criminal Justice in Abuja, Nigeria and facilitated sessions on Human Trafficking and Anti-Wildlife Trafficking during the 2020 Malawi Law Society Annual General Meeting and Conference in Mangochi, Malawi.

I wish to thank Karl A. Racine, the Attorney General for the District of Columbia, Noordin Haji, Director of Public Prosecutions Kenya, Hon. Ronald K. Chitotela, Minister of Tourism & Arts, Zambia, Hon. Likando Kalaluka the Attorney General of Zambia, Fulata Lillian Shawa-Siyuni the Director of Public Prosecutions-Zambia, Delese Mimi Darko, Chief Executive Officer, Food and Drugs Authority Ghana, Hon. Aisha Dikko, Attorney General of Kaduna State and Commissioner for Justice and Burton C. Mhango, Chairperson of Malawi Law Society for gracing the AGA-Africa’s January and February Events.

Special thanks to the facilitators of the month: Brian Donnelly, Director of the North America Region, Global Security, Pfizer Inc. in New York, Bernard Henebeng Asamoah, Programme Coordinator, UN Office on Drugs and Crime (UNODC) Ghana, Cynthia Dapaah-Ntow, Head of the Legal Unit, Food and Drugs Authority, Ghana, Nana Ama Adinkrah, State Attorney, Office of the Attorney-General & Ministry of Justice, Accra-Ghana, Chief Anthony Idigbe, Senior Partner, Punuka Attorneys & Solicitors, Anthony J. Campagna, Deputy District Attorney, San Diego County District Attorney’s Office, Olubunmi Salami, Assistant Polk County Attorney, Des Moines, Iowaines, Iowa, Dr. Agada Elachi, Member Board Of Directors, Layer3, Fola Arthur-Worrey, Private Legal Practitioner and Consultant on Security Funding and Governance, Shawn Karns, Criminal Investigator & President, WITA and Stephanie Durno Karns, Wildlife Biologist & Project Coordinator, WITA, Daria Andryushchenko, Assistant District Attorney, Manhattan District Attorney’s Office for facilitating the January and February workshops and 2020 MLS Annual conference, AGA-Africa country coordinators, Zambians Promoting Leadership (Zambia), Hagan Law Company (Ghana), Punuka Attorneys & Solicitors (Nigeria) and Qonsultc Management Consultants (Malawi) for organizing & coordinating successful workshops in their respective countries.

Regards,
Markus Green ESQ.
AGA-Africa in collaboration with the Office of the Director of Public Prosecutions Kenya (ODPP) and the Office of the Attorney General (OAG) for the District of Columbia held the first Prosecutors mentorship programme from 13th January – 21st February 2020 in Washington DC, USA.

The mentorship programme was aimed at training the mentees on topics such as case Management and administration, human resources, homicide Cases, financial Crimes, money laundering, corruption, countering terrorism and work ethics.

A total of six mentees from Kenya were trained as they moved from different departments and offices of the Federal & State Attorney General’s Office including Criminal, General Litigation, Child Protection, Juvenile Justice, Data analysis/IT and Operations/Finance in order to gain the much needed expertise. The mentees had an intensive skills training on the history of the District of Columbia and the Office of the Attorney General, the use of information technology at OAG, government ethics, trial skills, legal writing, and an overview of critical federal rules of evidence.

The officers are now expected to serve as change champions at the Office of the Director of Public Prosecutors Kenya as well as the criminal justice sector in Kenya.

PHOTO GALLERY

Karl A. Racine, the Attorney General for the District of Columbia (CENTRE) with six Kenyan prosecutors enrolled for the mentorship programme at the District of Columbia

L:R- Chad Copeland, Deputy Attorney General at Office of the Attorney General for the District of Columbia, Karl A. Racine, the Attorney General for the District of Columbia, James Riungu, Dorcas Oduor, Secretary Public prosecutions-Kenya and Noordi Haji, Director of public Prosecutions-Kenya during the closing ceremony
A cross-section of the mentees during the briefing meeting.

Aly Kaba, Director of the Mayor’s Office on African Affairs (MOAA) (SECOND FROM LEFT) with the six mentees during the mentorship rotation.

Emmet G. Sullivan, Judge of the United States District Court for the District of Columbia with the mentees at the district court.

Markus Green ESQ, AGA-Africa Board Member with Florence Katusiime, AGA-Africa Liaison Officer and the mentees on the last day of the programme.

Mr. John Edozie, AGA-Africa International Advisor shake hands with Karl A. Racine, the Attorney General for the District of Columbia.

The Mentees during their outdoor activities in the District of Columbia.

A cross-section of the mentees during the briefing meeting.

The report was officially released by Hon. Justice David K. Maraga, Chief Justice and President of the Supreme Court of Kenya in a ceremony that was attended by His Excellency the President Hon. Uhuru Kenyatta, at the Supreme Court of Kenya.

The report takes stock of the Judiciary’s milestones in the year 2018/19 and discusses the challenges in delivering on the institution’s constitutional and statutory mandate in the light of the new phase of Judiciary transformation as well as reporting on the performance of other justice sector actors that comprise the National Council on the Administration of Justice (NCAJ) in Kenya.

**H.E Uhuru Kenyatta**, President of the Republic of Kenya called upon upon the Judiciary to follow the footsteps of the Executive in the prosecution of crimes without any interference.

He requested the Judiciary to discuss with stakeholders on its current state and the best methodologies that can be taken to make the judiciary much better.

“While we in the Executive cannot in any way claim to be perfect, we can point to numerous cases of our senior officers who have been subjected to investigations and prosecution, without any interference,”

**PHOTO GALLERY**

(L-R) Justice Kathurima M’Inoti, Director of the Judiciary Training Institute, Hon. Justice David Maraga, Chief Justice and President of the Supreme Court of Kenya, His Excellency Uhuru Kenyatta, President of the Republic of Kenya, Ken Lusaka, Speaker of the Senate and Anne Amadi, Chief Registra of the Judiciary.
His Excellency President Uhuru Kenyatta signs the SOJAR 2018/19 report as the chief Justice and other delegates look on.

His Excellency President Uhuru Kenyatta with Hon. Justice David Maraga with other delegates during the SOJAR 208/19 launch ceremony.

President Uhuru Kenyatta with the Chief Justice and President of the Supreme Court of Kenya, David Maraga when he launched the State of the Judiciary and Administration of Justice Annual Report (SOJAR) for the year 2018/2019 at Supreme Court.

The high-tech surveillance equipment will assist the rangers in their daily anti-poaching efforts to bring wildlife traffickers to justice and protect Zambian wildlife which is a major economic resource for the country.

**Fulata Lillian Shawa-Siyunyi, Director of Public Prosecutions (DPP), Zambia** in her opening remarks applauded the AGA-Africa for being a good friend to the National Prosecutors Authority since the signing of their MoU three years ago.

She emphasized that interagency collaboration and coordination is very important as it allows professionals of different backgrounds, to form bonds, share knowledge and work together to tackle crime.

“The donation by AGA-Africa and WITA will assist in more effective investigations and evidence gathering for increasing successful prosecutions further down the line in Zambia.”

**Hon. Ronald Chitotela, WITA and NPA for their collaboration in organizing Minister of Tourism and Arts, Zambia commended the AGA-Africathe Anti-Wildlife Trafficking workshop in Livingstone, in August 2019.**

He emphasized that Zambia would not stand by to be used as a hub for wildlife trafficking which threatens Zambia’s tourism industry that contributes 7% of the country’s GDP.

“As a result of that successful workshop, we are, today, witnessing the donation of sophisticated anti-poaching equipment to the Department of National Parks & Wildlife (DNPW).”

**Dr. Freda Mwamba Brazle, AGA-Africa Country Coordinator for Zambia** expressed gratitude to WITA’s Shawn Karns and Stephanie Durno Karns for being key partners in supporting AGA-Africa’s objectives by providing anti-wildlife trafficking training to DNPW, noting that Zambia was only the second country in Africa, after Malawi, to receive such high-tech surveillance equipment from WITA.

Dr. Brazle also expressed optimism about the signing of the Memorandum of Understanding with the Ministry of Tourism and Arts adding that AGA-Africa looks forward to more collaborative capacity-building programs in Zambia.
A memorandum of understanding (MoU) was signed between AGA-Africa, represented by the International Advisor, John Edozie and the Ministry of Tourism and Arts Zambia, represented by the Minister of Tourism and Arts, Hon. Ronald Chitotela, on 28th January, 2020.

The purpose of the memorandum of understanding (MoU) is to establish and promote strategic and cooperative partnership between the Ministry of Tourism and Arts Zambia and AGA-Africa.
WITA and AGA-Africa representatives with DPP Fulata Lillian Shawa-Siyunyi, Minister Ronald Chitotela, AG Likando Kalaluka and Dr. Auxilla Ponga, during the handover ceremony.

Shawn Karns, Criminal Investigator & President, WITA hands over the anti-wildlife trafficking equipment to Hon. Ronald Chitotela, Zambia Minister of Tourism and Arts.

Shawn Karns, Criminal Investigator & President, WITA and Stephanie Durno Karns, Wildlife Biologist & Project Coordinator, WITA explain to Hon. Ronald Chitotela the functions of different pieces of equipment being donated.

Equipment donated during the ceremony included: secret cameras, material used in evidence gathering and processing as well as those used for crime scene management.
AGA-Africa in collaboration with the Food and Drugs Authority, Ghana (FDA) held a 3-day workshop on Prosecution of Regulatory Crimes on 19th - 21st February, 2020 in Accra, Ghana.

The workshop brought together security agents from the Ghana Police Service: Drug Law Enforcement Unit, Regional Headquarters CID and Ports Offices & Interpol, the Judiciary, Prosecutors from the AG’s Office and the staff of the FDA. The workshop was tailored towards building capacity of the investigators and prosecutors on the Prosecution of Regulatory Crimes and create awareness among the participants on the menace of such crimes on public health in Ghana.

**Delese Mimi Darko**, Chief Executive Officer, Food and Drugs Authority Ghana in her opening remarks noted that that when health and life are at stake, no specious argument should prevent the speedy punishment of those unscrupulous men and women who are willing to endanger the health of unsuspecting consumers for the sake of gain.

“We are of the firm believe that a speedy trial coupled with imposition of penalties as prescribed by our law would act as a deterrent to these persons and serve as a notice to persons that will desire to endanger the lives of Ghanaians.”

**Maame Hagan**, AGA-Africa Country Coordinator for Ghana welcomed the participants and noted that in order to ensure effective law enforcement and prosecutions in Ghana, it has become necessary to organize trainings, particularly for officers of the Food and Drugs Authority in the legal and market surveillance departments, Security Agencies, Prosecutors from the AG’s Office, and the Judiciary in Ghana.

“The main objective of this workshop is to create awareness among trainees on the menace of such crimes on public health.”

**Cynthia Dapaah-Ntow**, Head of the Legal Unit, Food and Drugs Authority, Ghana, in her closing remarks, noted that the FDA is committed to fulfill the mandate as prescribed in Section 80 of the Public Health ACT. She emphasized that it is the desire of the FDA that everyone collaborates to get rid of unfit products in the market.

“It our duty to ensure that every person in Ghana is protected. However, we need the commitment of every stakeholder in the process to play their role in order to achieve this mandate.”
**AGA-Africa Facilitator, Brian Donnelly**, Director of the North America Region, Global Security, Pfizer Inc. in New York facilitated sessions on *Introduction to Intelligence* examining the intelligence process as well as the intelligence gathering and market surveillance, objectives, target, methodology and execution of raids and swoops.

He delved into the proactive investigation which uses the internet. He noted that technology can assist an investigator to contact a seller via online purchases pharmacies, make a test purchase, have the sample tested and finally conduct a background check on the seller.

**Cynthia Dapaah-Ntow**, Head of the Legal Unit, Food and Drugs Authority, Ghana led a session on *Introduction to Regulatory Crimes (Associated with regulated products)* examining the unfit products in Ghana.

She noted that a regulatory law is distinct from statutory law and can also be referred to as administrative law or administrative rules.

**AGA-Africa Facilitator, Bernard Henebeng Asamoah**, Programme Coordinator, UN Office on Drugs and Crime (UNODC) Ghana, facilitated an eye opening session on *Evaluation of Source & Data* and *Information Analysis and Analytical Process* analyzing the legislative practices on combating counterfeit drugs.

He emphasized that the UNODC encourages and supports local, national and international efforts to fight counterfeit drugs. He also noted that counterfeit medicines not only deprive sick people of real treatment, but also make some of the world's most dangerous diseases much more stronger.
Brian Donnelly, Director of the North America Region, Global Security, Pfizer Inc. in New York, New York, during his session at the workshop

Workshop participants during the question and answer session

Delese Mimi Darko, Chief Executive Officer, Food and Drugs Authority Ghana (center) with AGA-Africa’s facilitators Brian Donnelly and Bernard Henebeng Asamoah

Maame Hagan, AGA-Africa country coordinator for Ghana presents a certificate to a workshop participant during the closing ceremony
AGA-Africa in collaboration with the Kaduna State Ministry of Justice held an **Effective Administration of Criminal Justice Workshop** on 27th - 28th February, 2020 in Abuja, Nigeria.

The workshop brought together 80 participants from the Ministry of Justice, the Kaduna State Correctional Service, the Nigerian Police and the Kaduna State Judiciary.

It was tailored towards building capacity for the law officers, law enforcement agencies, the judiciary, lawyers and the general public on Effective Administration of Criminal Law and also create awareness amongst the general public on standards to be expected from and within the criminal justice system in Nigeria.

**Hon. Aisha Dikko**, Attorney General of Kaduna State and Commissioner for Justice commended AGA-Africa for organizing the workshop terming it as a timely effort in Nigeria in the improvement of service delivery in the Justice system. She noted that there is a need for a more proactive approach in managing the Nigerian justice system.

“I’m optimistic that this workshop will complement the efforts of the Kaduna State government in providing justice to the people of Kaduna state.”

**Ebelechukwu Enedah**, AGA-Africa Country Coordinator for Nigeria emphasized that AGA-Africa seeks forum to share information among African countries on better ways to engender law reforms across the continent.

She also noted that transnational crimes does not only affect Nigeria and that such crimes affect all the countries across the world thus the need to synchronize efforts on effective ways to fight the perpetrators.

“We hope that at the end of the workshop, everyone will have an enriched idea on the effective administration of criminal justice in Kaduna state.”

**Christopher Umar, Esq.**, Solicitor General, Kaduna State delivered the closing remarks expressing his appreciation to AGA-Africa for organizing the workshop for the Kaduna state to enhance operations in the criminal justice system.

Summarizing all the criminal cases presented by the facilitators and the reactions of participants, he echoed their sentiments that it indeed was a successful event. Everyone had something to learn and take home.
AGA-Africa Facilitator, Anthony J. Campagna, Deputy District Attorney, San Diego County District Attorney’s Office led a session on **Investigation of the Case, Arrest and Criminal Case Issuance.** He pointed out that in a plea bargain, the defendant chooses to plead guilty before trial to the charged offenses, or to lesser charges in exchange for a more lenient sentence or the dismissal of related charges.

He emphasized that the prosecution bears the burden of proof in a criminal trial noting that the prosecutor must therefore prove beyond a reasonable doubt that the defendant committed the crimes charged.

AGA-Africa Facilitator, Olubunmi Salami, Assistant Polk County Attorney, Des Moines, Iowa, facilitated a session on **Arraignment, Pre-Trial Hearings, Trial, and Sentencing** examining the levels of crime, pre-trial hearings, the plea of not guilty and the right not to testify at trial.

“Depending on the case, the court can give a suspended sentence, a deferred judgement or impose a prison sentence.”

Chief Anthony Idigbe, Senior Partner, Punuka Attorneys & Solicitors co-facilitated a session on **Reducing Delays in Criminal Proceedings: Assessment of the Administration of Criminal Justice ACT 2015 and Strategies for improvement** via video conferencing with Dr. Agada Elachi, Member Board Of Directors at Layer3.

Chief Anthony examined the role of court in promoting social and economic development emphasising that judicial systems’ ability to effectively dispense justice is affected by delay, congestion and costs of cases.

Fola Arthur-Worrey, Private Legal Practitioner and Consultant on Security Funding and Governance examined the **Practical Management and Administration of the Criminal Justice System** highlighting that the justice system’s major components which include police and courts, prevent or deter crime by apprehending, trying, and punishing offenders.
A memorandum of understanding (MoU) was signed between AGA-Africa, represented by the Country Coordinator for Nigeria, Ebelechukwu Enedah and Kaduna State Ministry of Justice represented by Hon. Aisha Dikko, the Attorney General of Kaduna State and Commissioner for Justice on 28th January, 2020.

The purpose of the memorandum of understanding (MoU) is to establish and promote strategic and cooperative partnership between Kaduna State Ministry of Justice and AGA-Africa.
Hon. Aisha Dikko, Attorney General of Kaduna State and Commissioner for Justice, with AGA-Africa representatives, facilitators and the workshop participants


A cross-section of the workshop participants

Workshop participants during a video conference session with Chief Anthony Idigbe

The conference brought together over 500 licensed MLS members who were divided into two streams in discussion of corporate & commercial law in the contemporary world and the contemporary legal issues in crime and Human Rights in Malawi.

**Hon. Justice John Katsala**, Judge of the High Court (Commercial Division), in his remarks, noted that the legal practitioners do play a vital role in the administration of justice and preservation of the constitutional order in Malawi. They therefore need to be trained adequately in terms of professional conduct before they are released to appear in court to represent clients.

“The society also needs to reinforce its disciplinary mechanisms. Those lawyers that are errant need to face disciplinary action. Usually when people see that those who misbehave are disciplined, others are deterred from misconduct.”

**Burton C. Mhango**, Chairperson of Malawi Law Society, remarked that the introduction of the new Legal Education and Practitioners Act is influencing the members to start complying. He noted that issues of ethics and professionalism among lawyers and swindling of clients’ money were the topical pointers that the conference sessions would address.

“The new act has created a number of requirements for lawyers to meet, these are some of the disciplinary issues that are set up.”

**Gift Chikwakwa**, AGA-Africa Country Coordinator for Malawi emphasized that global collaboration in fighting transnational crimes in Africa is crucial, as no country can do this on their own.

She referenced the state of Human Trafficking in Malawi noting that Malawi is primarily a source country for men, women, and children subjected to trafficking in persons. She underscored that this is one of the core mandate area that AGA-Africa strives to combat through its course.
AGA-Africa Facilitator, **Daria Andryushchenko**, Assistant District Attorney, Manhattan District Attorney’s Office took participants through a session titled: **Overview of Human Trafficking in the USA.**

She pointed out that the human trafficking victims can either be foreign nationals or U.S. citizens trafficked within U.S. borders.

"Under the U.S. law, a person is placed in conditions of forced labor if they are forced to work against their will through actual or implied threats of serious harm, physical restraint or abuse of the law. “

AGA-Africa Facilitator, **Shawn Karns**, Criminal Investigator & President, WITA facilitated a session on **The Interface between Wildlife Trafficking and Corruption.**

He enumerated several corruption instruments and approaches that could help in the fight against illicit trade in wildlife, including establishing a strong legal framework against both corruption and wildlife trafficking.

AGA-Africa Facilitator, **Stephanie Durno Karns**, Wildlife Biologist & Project Coordinator, WITA led a session on **Investigation of Wildlife Trafficking** noting that in the process of investigation, a prosecutor ought to investigate the scene leader and secure the scene by making it big, clear and visible enough as well as minimizing all the entrances into the scene.

She emphasized that securing crime scenes also prevents corruption as well as prohibiting tampering of the available evidence.

“You should not allow people into the crime scene unless they have a role to play in the prosecution process.”
A cross section of the participants during the conference

Gift Chikwakwa, AGA-Africa country coordinator for Malawi present a token of appreciation to the session moderator

Participants during the question and answer session

Hon. Justice John Katsala, Judge of the High Court (Commercial Division), Kalekeni Kaphale, Attorney General of Malawi and Burton C. Mhango, Chairperson of Malawi Law Society together with conference facilitators and participants
Brian Donnelly

Brian Donnelly is Director of the Americas Region, Global Security, Pfizer Inc. in New York, New York. He is currently responsible for coordinating investigations of counterfeit Pfizer pharmaceutical products in the United States and Canada.

Prior to joining Pfizer, he spent 21 years as a Special Agent of the Federal Bureau of Investigation, during which time he was assigned to the FBI Laboratory and the New Haven Divisions. As a Special Agent he was responsible for the investigation of several high-profile cases including: the Michael Swango, M.D. medical serial killer investigation, the Yale University bombing investigation and has received several honors and awards from the FBI, the Department of Veterans Affairs and a number of United States Attorney’s Offices.

Brian received his PhD in the areas of Pharmacology and Toxicology from Saint John’s University, New York in 1990 and is also a registered Pharmacist in the state of New York.

Bernard Henebeng Asamoah

Bernard is a dynamic and results oriented development policy and international relations professional with over sixteen (16) years working experience in Justice Sector Reforms (Rule of law), project management, advocacy for transparency and accountability of policy reforms, political research, good governance, monitoring and evaluation of development projects and peace building.

He holds B.A degree in Sociology with Political Science from University of Ghana, an Applied M.A in Development Policies from University of Bremen, Germany and another M.A in International Relations (Global Governance and Social Theory) from Jacobs University, also in Germany. He is currently studying Law (LLB) at the GIMPA Faculty of Law.

Bernard is currently the National Programme Coordinator and Head of UN Office on Drugs and Crime (UNODC) in Ghana, and he is in charge of coordinating all the agency’s country projects/programmes including the fight against counterfeit medicines.
Cynthia Dapaah-Ntow

Cynthia Dapaah-Ntow joined the Food and Drugs Authority in April 2014 as the Head of the Legal Unit.

She has since established a functional Legal Department which assists the FDA with all its compliance and legal matters. She has been responsible for the sensitization of Judges on regulatory matters, infractions and sanctions to facilitate the FDA's regulatory activities.

She is an alumni of the University of Ghana, Ghana School of Law, World Intellectual Property Organisation (WIPO) the International Law Institute and the McCabe Centre for Cancer and Law.

Nana Ama Adinkrah

Nana Ama Adinkrah is a State Attorney at the Office of the Attorney-General and Ministry of Justice, Accra. She started her legal career in the year 2011 as a National Service personnel in the Kumasi Office of the aforementioned institution where she handled both criminal and civil cases. Currently, she is with the Public Prosecutions Division of the same institution in Accra.

She obtained her LL.B from KNUST in Kumasi and went on to have her Professional Certificate in Law from the Ghana School of law (Main Campus). Afterwards, she pursued a master's degree and graduated from the University of London, UK with an LL.M in International Criminal Justice.

She has facilitated a number of training programmes including the training of Police Prosecutors in criminal trials, the training of Police Prosecutors in disclosures and is currently serving as a member of the working group for the implementation of Plea Bargaining in Ghana.

As part of her work, Mrs. Adinkrah handle cases including but not limited to Homicide, Financial crimes, Narcotic related offences and sexual offences. She is currently the assigned Attorney for the handling and prosecution of FDA related cases.
Chief Anthony Idigbe

A seasoned legal practitioner with over 30 years’ experience, Chief Anthony Idigbe is the Senior Partner at Punuka Attorneys & Solicitors. He was elevated to the rank of Senior Advocate of Nigeria in 2000 and was recently admitted to practice law in Ontario, Canada.

He has advised clients on several complex transactions and has represented major companies and institutions in the highest courts of Nigeria. He is a well-known capital markets legal adviser and has advised and acted as Counsel to the Securities & Exchange Commission. He has also been involved as lead counsel in many 'big ticket' litigation briefs such as the Kano Trovan Clinical Trial Cases. He also possesses wealth of knowledge and experience in Telecommunications Law particularly the workings of the Nigerian Telecommunications Industry, having represented numerous clients in various telecommunications disputes. He has extensive experience in insolvency and restructuring, and has acted as counsel to several ex-bank executives in a continuous flow of civil and criminal cases arising from the 2009 Central Bank intervention and restructuring in the banking sector.

Chief Anthony Idigbe graduated from the University of Ife, (now Obafemi Awolowo University), Ile-Ife in 1982 with a 2nd Class Upper Degree (Hons). He also received the Hon. Justice Orojo Prize for the Best Student in Company Law. He finished from the Nigerian Law School, Lagos in 1983 also with a 2:1. He has three Masters of Law degrees from universities in the UK and Canada, as well as several other diplomas and certifications from various professional organisations. He is a fellow of the Chartered Institute of Arbitrators, UK; Insolvency International (INSOL) and the International Bar Association; member of several other foreign and national associations and trustee of non-governmental organisations.

Along with numerous other appointments in the public and private sector, Anthony was appointed in 2017 as the Chairman of the Nigerian Bar Association’s Legal Profession Regulation Review Committee. He is a Notary Public, author of many published books and articles, and a renowned resource person.

Anthony J. Campagna

After graduating from the University of San Diego School of Law in 1999, Anthony J. Campagna began his career as a Deputy District Attorney with the San Diego County District Attorney’s Office. Over twenty-one years, he has tried over sixty-five jury trials and has developed an expertise in understanding the California Penal Code, Evidence Code, and trial practice generally. He is considered an expert in several areas, including jury selection, ethics, and discovery; teaching many of those subjects for over ten years.

In December 2018, Mr. Campagna was promoted to Chief of the South Bay Branch in Chula Vista, California. As Chief, he is responsible for the daily operation of the Branch which covers the communities of Chula Vista, National City, Imperial Beach, Coronado and areas of the City of San Diego. He meets regularly with local law enforcement leaders, elected officials, and community leaders regarding the administration of justice in the South Bay community.

Mr. Campagna has devoted the last several years of his career to addressing ways of preventing crime. He helped establish the Community Justice Initiative, a program which keeps first-time offenders, many of whom are Latino and African American, out of the criminal justice system by offering them diversion for many misdemeanor crimes. In the community, Mr. Campagna focuses on addressing inequality and making society a better place through the education, mentoring, and coaching of youth. He has worked for several years as a mentor for high school students in an underserved area of San Diego. He also serves as a volunteer for a non-profit organization that uses water sports to empower foster and orphan children from underserved areas of San Diego. For the past several years, he has also volunteered as a coach for a high school mock trial team to expose kids to public speaking and the practice of law.
Olubunmi Salami

Olubunmi Salami was born in London, England, and later moved to Lagos, Nigeria. While growing up in Lagos, Olubunmi attended Sunnyfields and Tenderfoot Primary School. He then attended Government College Ibadan. In 1983, he left Nigeria to attend St. Ambrose University in Davenport, Iowa in the United States where he received his Bachelors Degree in Political Science with a minor in Criminal Justice. He later obtained his Masters Degree in Political Science at Iowa State University in Ames, Iowa. In 1999, he left his career working with youths in public schools to attend Drake Law School where he obtained his Doctor of Jurisprudence (JD) law degree. He started his legal career as an Assistant State’s Ombudsman investigating citizen complaints against government agencies.

In 2003, Olubunmi was hired as an Assistant Polk County Attorney in Des Moines, Iowa. Olubunmi started his career as a prosecutor handling Juvenile delinquency cases. He was later promoted to handle Simple and Indicatable Misdemeanors criminal cases. Olubunmi is currently on the Felony Criminal docket where he prosecutes felonious crimes such as murders, kidnappings, homicides by drunk drivers, bank robberies, and serious injury to victims cases.

In 2018, the Iowa County Attorneys Association presented Olubunmi with the Staff Attorney Award of Merit in recognition of his outstanding service as an Assistant Polk County Attorney. In addition to his busy legal career, Olubunmi is an Adjunct Professor. He teaches in the graduate program at William Penn University and at Simpson College.

Dr. Agada Elachi

Dr. Agada Elachi completed his Law degree from the University of Jos and his masters degree in Peace and Conflicts Studies from the University of Ibadan. He is currently pursuing a post-graduate degree in Law, and Doctoral studies specializing in Terrorism, Mediation and Peace; Diploma in International Commercial Arbitration.

Dr. Elachi was admitted to Nigerian Bar in 1999. His memberships include Fellow member of Chartered Institute of Arbitrators (UK), Fellow Member of the Governing Council, Faculty member, Institute of Chartered Mediators and Conciliators (Nigeria), Member of Mediation Training Institute International (U.S.A) and is a certified Professional in Workplace Conflicts (Mediation), Member of International Bar Association, Member of Pan-African Lawyers Union and Former Chairman of the Nigerian Bar Association (NBA), Abuja Branch.

He is engaged in active Legal Practice, with a bias for resolution of conflicts outside the traditional litigation system. He is listed as a neutral at the Abuja Multi-Door Court House, Kano Multi-Door Court House, Nigerian Telecommunications Commission Panel of Neutrals, and the Kigali International Arbitration Centre, Kigali, Rwanda.

Dr. Elachi also consults for the UNODC and J4A programme of the DFID on Alternative Dispute Resolution.
Fola Arthur-Worrey

Fola Arthur-Worrey is a private Legal Practitioner, Consultant on Security Funding and Governance. He obtained his LLB with honours from the University of Lagos and is a graduate of the Nigerian Law School. In the early years of his career, he was appointed as a civil servant/public officer. From this appointment stemmed various other opportunities working for the Lagos State government.

In 1996, he was made Director of public prosecutions, a position he held for two years until his appointment as Solicitor General, Lagos State and Permanent Secretary Lagos State Ministry of Justice from 1998-2006. In 2006, he then became the Honourable Commissioner for Lands in Lagos State.

In 2007, he was given the post of Executive Secretary/Chief Executive Officer, Lagos State Security Trust Fund; Member, Lagos State Security Council, a position which he held from 2007-2015.

Fola Arthur-Worrey has delivered seminar papers at the Nigerian Institute of Advanced Legal Studies, Alpha Juris Institute, Lawquest, The U.S, State Department’s Training Program for prosecutors, various State Ministries of Justice, EFCC AND IPCC Training Seminars, Security Summits and Others.
Shawn Karns

Shawn Karns has been a wildlife Criminal Investigator for over 25 years. Shawn graduated with honors with a Bachelor of Arts degree in Criminal Justice. As a Criminal Investigator, his primary responsibility is investigating wildlife crimes in covert and overt capacities.

Shawn specializes in complex investigations involving commercialization, transportation, and excessive harvest. He has participated in numerous investigations in over fifteen states and was the operative in a long-term international investigation into wildlife trafficking. Shawn also has extensive training and experience in digital evidence seizure and recovery. He routinely employs digital forensic tools to expose criminal networks. Shawn enjoys teaching wildlife officers investigative techniques and has instructed at the national level since 2001. He annually provides training to state and federal investigators across the United States and abroad.

His courses include Developing Undercover Identities, Storefront Operations, Informant Handling and Case Management. Additionally, he is a certified Physical Trainer and instructs physical fitness to law enforcement officers. Shawn also serves on the board of a national investigators’ academy.

As the Director of Wildlife Investigators Training Alliance, Shawn develops customized curricula for each training, identifies and coordinates with training partners, and ensures that WITA provides the most current law enforcement investigative techniques to all our class participants.

Stephanie Durno Karns

Stephanie Durno Karns is the Program Coordinator and Wildlife Biologist for Wildlife Investigators Training Alliance. She has been an active field biologist for nearly 20 years. She graduated with distinction with a Bachelor of Arts degree in Biology.

While working as a field technician in Costa Rica, she gained Spanish language skills and a love for the tropics. She served as a wildlife officer and biologist in the Rocky Mountains for 17 years where she received extensive training and experience in wildlife crime investigations.

Stephanie believes that empowering local wildlife officers with the newest investigative techniques and tools is the best way to prevent illegal wildlife trafficking. With her foundation in biological science and population management, she brings a unique approach to the prevention and investigation of wildlife crime.

As part of the Wildlife Investigators Training Alliance, she manages logistics, social media, and individual course preparation. She also ensures that the investigative techniques are grounded in science and relevant to local species and ecosystems.
Daria Andryushchenko

Daria Andryushchenko joined the Manhattan District Attorney’s Office as an Assistant District Attorney in 2014. Since then, she has prosecuted a variety of violent crimes, including assault, robbery and burglary.

In 2018, Ms. Andryushchenko joined the Human Trafficking Response Unit, where she has been working on a variety of trafficking-related cases. Before joining the District Attorney’s Office, Ms. Andryushchenko graduated from Benjamin N. Cardozo School of Law.
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