

CURRICULUM VITAE

PERSONAL

Name: Cherno Sulayman Jallow
Date of Birth: 15th November, 1962
Nationality: Gambian
Marital Status: Married with two children

LANGUAGES

Fulani
Mandinka
Wollof
English

Education

1. 1975 – 1980 Attended Armitage High School and qualified with a School Leaving Certificate GCE O'Level.
2. 1980 – 1982 Attended St. Augustine's High School and qualified with a School Leaving Certificate GCE A'Level.
3. 1984 – 1988 Attended International Islamic University, Malaysia and graduated with LL.B (Hons) degree (Second Class Upper).
4. 1988 – 1989 Attended training programme at the University of the West Indies, Cave Hill Campus, Barbados and qualified with a Certificate in Legislative Drafting.
5. 1992 – 1994 Attended University of the West Indies and graduated with LL.M degree in Legislative Drafting and Public Law.

Legal certification Admitted and enrolled as Barrister and Solicitor of the Supreme Court of The Gambia on October 21, 1988.

Working experience

1982 – 1984
Appointed teacher at Sukuta secondary Technical School, Sukuta, The Gambia.

1 August, 1988 – November, 1990
Appointed and served as State Counsel, with focus on criminal prosecution, in the Attorney General's Chambers and Ministry of Justice, Banjul, The Gambia.

1 Dec. 1990 – Dec., 1991
Promoted to the post of Assistant Legal Draftsman responsible generally for drafting legislation (as well as undertaking criminal prosecution and civil litigation) in the Attorney General's Chambers and Ministry of Justice, Banjul, The Gambia.

1 January, 1992 – 30 April, 1992
Appointed Acting Legal Draftsman in the Attorney General's Chambers and Ministry of Justice, Banjul, The Gambia, while at the same time engaging in criminal prosecution and civil litigation.

1 May, 1992 – 31 January, 1994
Confirmed and appointed Legal Draftsman in the Attorney General's Chambers and Ministry of Justice, while continuing criminal prosecution and civil litigation.

1 February, 1994 – 30 April, 1994
Appointed Acting Parliamentary Counsel in the Attorney General's Chambers and Ministry of Justice, Banjul, The Gambia, with limited duties of criminal prosecution and civil litigation.

1 May, 1994 – 30 September, 1995
Confirmed and appointed Parliamentary Counsel and head of

the Legislative Drafting Division in the Attorney General's Chambers and Ministry of Justice, Banjul, The Gambia.

1 Oct. 1995 – 30 Oct. 1999

Appointed on contract as Parliamentary Counsel in the Attorney General's Chambers, Government of the British Virgin Islands, with responsibilities of drafting legislation and advising on legislative matters;

- (b) providing legal advice and legal opinions to Government Ministries and Departments;
- (c) attending meetings of the Legislative Council to render assistance. (on the instructions of the Attorney General) on legislative measures before the Council; and .
- (d) holding conferences (on request) to discuss wide ranging issues pertaining. to the law, especially as they relate to institutional formulation of policy.

1 Nov. 1999 to 21 Feb. 2000

Appointed Acting Attorney General of the British Virgin Islands.

22 February, 2000

Confirmed Attorney General of the British Virgin Islands

Meetings, workshops, etc.

June, 1990 Participated in the First Meeting of the Group of Experts on the Law of the Sea of the States Members of the Zone of Peace and Cooperation of the South Atlantic held in Brazzaville, Congo and presented a paper relating to Gambian legislation on marine affairs and, the institutional arrangements on Government's marine policy .

April, 1991 Participated in the Second Meeting of the Group of Experts on the Law of the Sea of the States Members of the Zone of Peace and Cooperation of the South Atlantic held in Montivideo, Uruguay and presented a paper entitled "Environmental Protection and Preservation of the Marine Ecology and Ocean Resource Development".

November, 1991 Attended a Bio-diversity Seminar and presented a paper on “Biological Diversity Conservation and International Law” with specific reference to The Gambia, held in Harare, Zimbabwe.

October, 1994 Headed the Gambian delegation to the African Commission on Human and Peoples Rights to present and defend the Report on The Gambia’s human rights situation, held in Banjul, The Gambia.

November, 1995 Attended Workshop on the Wider Caribbean Initiative on Ship-Generated Waste to review model legislation on MARPOL 73/78 and related technical issues, held in Havana, Cuba.

October, 1996 Attended Regional Seminar on Environmentally Sound Management of Hazardous Wastes in the Caribbean, held in Castries, St. Lucia.

October, 1996 Attended the WIPO Workshop on the Formulation and Implementation of Industrial Property Legislation, held in Barbados.

May 1996 & 1997 Attended Workshops in Antigua & Barbuda and St. Kitts & Nevis respectively to formulate and draft legislation on Disaster Preparedness and Response.

February, 1997 Represented the Government of the British Virgin Islands at the Second Meeting of Legal/Technical/Policy Experts to Negotiate a Protocol Concerning Pollution from Land-Based Sources and Activities to the Convention for the Protection and Development of the Marine Environment of the Wider Caribbean Region, held in Kingston, Jamaica.

August, 1997 Attended the Commonwealth Secretariat/WTO Seminar on the Application of WTO Rules on Trade and Services, held in Port-of-Spain, Trinidad and Tobago.

September, 1998 Attended the IMO Seminar on Legislation for the Adoption and Implementation of IMO Conventions, held in Port-of-Spain, Trinidad and Tobago.

February, 1999 Attended the IMO Forum on Marine Pollution in the Wider Caribbean, held in Santo Domingo, Dominican Republic.

July, 1999 Attended the Financial Regulators' (of the UK Overseas Territories) Seminar, held in Miami, USA.

Associations:

Member, Gambia Bar Association and Commonwealth Association of Parliamentary Counsel .

General:

(a) At the national (Gambian) level I have participated in missions to negotiate financial agreements with the European Investment Bank and the Agricultural Development Bank.

(b) I have also co-ordinated consultancies on matters relating to the conservation and protection of the marine environment and pesticides management .

(c) I have conducted studies, reviews and drafting of legislation on varying subjects of interest –

fisheries, environment, land and physical planning, criminal law, education, social welfare, maritime administration, financial services, customs, consumer protection, money laundering, business and commerce, etc.

(d) Secretary of the General Legal Council from 1992 to 1995 and became a Member of the Council in 1995. This body is responsible for the enrolment and discipline of lawyers in The Gambia.

(e) In 1995, Member and Chairman of the Inter-Ministerial Committee on the Formulation of Legislation on Liquefied Petroleum Gas.

From 1992 to 1995, Member and Legal Adviser of the Nurses and Midwives council.

(g) From 1990 to 1994, Member of the Committee on Performance Contracts of Public Enterprises.

(h) In 1995, Member and Legal Draftsman of the Electoral Laws Review Committee established to prepare new election laws for The Gambia for the transition to constitutional rule.

(i) Current Member of the BVI Financial Services Legislation Advisory Committee .

(j) Chairman, BVI Human Rights Reporting Coordinating Committee.

Consultancies

(a) I have undertaken local (Gambian consultancies on rangeland and livestock management, communal land ownership, use and management and the organization of local farmers into viable corporate institutions.

(b) With Justice A.N.E.Amissah and Prof. Dr. A. K. Fiadj oe, co-authored the drafting of legislation on Business Organizations (Companies and Partnership) and Business Transactions (Negotiable Instruments, Sale of Goods, Contract, Hire-Purchase and Finance Leasing and Carriage of Goods by Sea) for The Gambia and the organization of stice A.N.E. Amissah and Prof. Dr. A. K. Fiadj oe, co-authored the drafting of legislation on Business Organizations (Companies and Partnership) and Business Transactions (Negotiable Instruments, Sale of Goods, Contract, Hire-Purchase and Finance Leasing and Carriage of Goods by Sea) for The Gambia.
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