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TRAININGS

“Cross Examination, Hostile Witnesses and Submissions”(2016)

Association of Defence Counsel at the International Criminal Tribunal for Yugoslavia

“An Examination of the Use of Expert Evidence in Criminal Proceedings in the UK, US and International Courts” (2016)

Association of Defence Counsel at the International Criminal Tribunal for Yugoslavia

Basic knowledge on security in the field: protection welfare and well being of UN staff (2015)

SUMMARY

Sworn in as an attorney in the DR Congo in June 2008, I spent the early days of my professional career practicing law at national level in litigation, corporate and criminal law. At international level, my legal practice focuses on international criminal and environmental law.

Concurrently to my career as an attorney, I spent the last decade working in the humanitarian sector with international NGOs, national cooperations and the United Nations to implement projects aiming at establishing the Rule of Law in the post-conflict DR Congo. Outside the legal practice I have a serious interest towards women in detention. In my free time I coordinate a women in prison project that provides legal assistance and logistic support to women in detention and prepares them for social reinsertion upon release.

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

- October 2017 - current International Criminal Court , The Netherlands
Defence team of Mr Charles Blé Goudé
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- 1 Sept 2015 - Septemebr 2017 International Criminal Court , The Netherlands
[Defence Team, Mr Bosco Ntaganda](#)
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- June 2015 - Aug 2015 Visiting Professional, The Netherlands
[Verwiel & Van der Voort Law firm](#)
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- June 2014 - September 2014 Project coordinator: Access to Justice, Ituri / DR Congo
[Avocat Sans Frontière Belgique](#)
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- March 2013 - Aug 2013 Consultant: Good governance through Justice, Ituri/ DR Congo
[United Nations Development Programme-UNDP](#)
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- March 2010 - June 2011 Correction and Judicial Affairs Associate, Ituri/ DR Congo
[United Nations Mission for the Stabilisation of the Democratic Republic of Congo DKPO-MONUSCO](#)
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- June 2008 - Feb 2010 Legal Associate, Programme of the Restauration of Justice in the Eastern DR Congo-REJUSCO" Ituri / DR Congo
[Belgian Development Agency](#)
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- April 2008 - June 2008 Peace and Reconciliation Consultant, Ituri / DR Congo
[Adventist Development Relief Agency\(ADRA\)](#)
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- Feb 2007 - Dec 2007 Conflict Resolution Assistant, Ituri / DR Congo
[RCN Justice & Démocratie-Belgique](#)
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United Nations Department of Safety and Security

Advanced Security Skills in the Field

(2015) United Nations Department of Safety and Security

Peer mentor trainer on HIV/AIDS

(2011) United Nations Organisation Stabilisation Mission in the Democratic Republic of Congo

Prevention of Sexual Harassment, Sexual Exploitation and Abuse of Authority

(2011) United Nations Organisation Stabilisation Mission in the Democratic Republic of Congo

« United Nations Electronic Performance Appraisal System »

(2010) United Nations Organisation Stabilisation Mission in the Democratic Republic of Congo

Conduct and Discipline of humanitarian personnel in the field

(2010) United Nations Organisation Stabilisation Mission in the Democratic Republic of Congo

Resolution of land related conflicts

(2006) UNHCR and RCN Justice & Démocratie

Sept 2006 - TV Presenter , Goma/ DR Congo
Jan 2007 Congolese National Radio and Television

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Sep 2005 - Radio Presenter, Goma/ DR Congo
Aug 2006 Radiotélévision la Colombe

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FORMAL EDUCATION

Aug 2013 - PhD in International Environmental Law
Current [University of the Witwatersrand , South Africa](#)

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Aug 2011 - MASTER'S in international Human Rights & Humanitarian Law
Sept 2012 [University of the Western Cape , South Africa](#)

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2001 - 2006 BACHELORS DEGREE in Civil and Criminal Law and Legal Practice
Université Ouverte, DR Congo

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Nov 2012 - . Certificate in Arbitration and Alternative Dispute Resolution:
Strategy and Technics , Switzerland

[United Nations Institute for Training and Research](#)

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Feb 2012 - Leadership and Social Responsibility
Sept 2012 [School of Leadership and Social Responsibility, University of the Western Cape , South Africa](#)

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MEMBERSHIP IN PROFESSIONAL BODIES

Coordinator for Africa at the International Bar Association since February 2017

Attorney at law enroled on the list of Assistant to Counsel of the international criminal court since August 2014

Founder of FEJUPROFE (female lawyers Association for the protection of women's rights and environmental laws) since January 2013

Attorney at law at the Kisangani Bar Association (DR Congo) since August 2014

Attorney at law, enrolled on list "B" of the Brussels Bar Association since May 2017

PUBLICATIONS

Punished for being poor (2012), Promoting pre-trial justice in Africa

Environmental Country Report 2012: The Democratic Republic of Congo (2013) in *IUCN Academy of Environmental Law, E-journal*

Environmental Country Report 2013: Focus on forest management, in (2014) *IUCN Academy of Environmental Law, E-journal*

Environmental country report 2014 The Democratic Republic of Congo, in (2015) *IUCN Academy of Environmental Law, E-journal*

"Le jour finira par poindre " (2007), in *Revue RCN Justice et Démocratie*, Bulletin N°21 Bruxelles: RCN Justice et Démocratie