

A Summary of Dr. Tonye Clinton Jaja's career as an ICT and Legal Drafting Lawyer

My legislative drafting career began in the year 2006 when I was awarded a Master of Laws (LLM) degree in legislative drafting degree.

In the year 2013, I was awarded a PhD in law degree (Legislative Drafting) by the Institute of Advanced Legal Studies, University of London.

In 2006, Prof. Oyewo Oyewo, SAN former Attorney-General of Oyo State gave me my first job as a legislative drafting lawyer, I was the legislative drafting lawyer on the team of lawyers/consultants for the Review of the Environmental Laws of Lagos State of Nigeria.

Mrs. Funke Adekoya, SAN, then Managing Partner of the law firm of AELEX employed me as a legislative drafting lawyer to work as a member of the team that drafted Nigeria's Minerals and Mining Act, 2007.

The former Attorney-General of Bayelsa State hired me as an in-house legislative drafting consultant to train the lawyers and staff of the said Ministry of Justice of Bayelsa. I drafted the Child's Rights Law of Bayelsa State, 2014.

In the year 2012, I had the privilege of working with the late Prof. Vincent Crabbe as a co-organiser of the legislative drafting training workshop for staff of the Ministry of Justice of Namibia.

Additional legislative Drafting assignments and training workshops delivered by Dr. Jaja are as follows:

1. 2012-2013-I was team leader and developed a Legislative Drafting Manual for the Parliament and Ministry of Justice of Tunisia funded by the Westminster Fund for Democracy-WFD;

2. September 2012- Ministry of Justice, Namibia;

3. December 2012-Ministry of Legal Affairs and Office of Parliamentary Counsel, Trinidad and Tobago;

4. 2013-Ministry of Justice, Tanzania;

5. Legal Department, Food and Agricultural Organisation (FAO), Headquarters, Rome, Italy;

6. 2015-study visit by a delegation of Nigerian legislators and lawyers to the European Parliament, Brussels, Belgium;

7. 2016-legislative drafting course at School of Law, Kii University;

8. 2016-co-founder and speaker at the Federal Bar Association (FBA), Washington DC organised-International Conference on Legislative Drafting and Law Reform;



9. 2017-legislative drafting training for staff of Nigerian Law Reform Commission, Abuja;

10. 2018-legislative drafting training for staff of the Plateau State Ministry of Justice funded by GOVERNMENT OF GERMANY through GIZ;

11. 2019-legislative drafting training for staff of the ECOWAS Parliament funded by the National Institute for Legislative Studies, Abuja;

12. 2020-legislative drafting and ICT training for lawyers and members of the East African Law Society;

13. January 2021-staff of the Ministry of Justice, The Gambia funded by the UNDP, The Gambia;

13. 2022-legislative drafting and ICT training for staff of the Nasarawa State Ministry of Justice;

14. 2022-UNITED NATIONS WOMEN AGENCY IN NIGERIA appointed me as a Legal Drafting consultant to draft the Gender and Equal Opportunities Bill-GEOB;

15. 2023-legislative drafting and ICT funding (\$20,000approximately) received from the Presidency of Nigeria through the Presidential Implementation Committee on Technology Transfer;

16. June 2024-legislative drafting and ICT training for staff and legislators of the Public Accounts Committee, House of Representatives, National Assembly of Nigeria; and

17. October 2024-appointed and commenced as European Union (EU) Legislative Drafting training consultant/expert to train lawyers of the Office of Parliamentary Counsel, Ministry of Justice of Lesotho



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for a free demo of LEGISRIPTA which has some of the specifications and unique advantages of our LEGISRIPTA (Bill drafting) software are as follows:

1. A more timely and quicker method/tool for drafting fresh Bills by providing a ready-made model Bill to be edited by the user;
2. A quicker method and tool for drafting amendment Bills because electronic copies of all the laws/?legislation of Lesotho will be inputted into the LEGISRIPTA software;
3. It doesn't require Internet connection to operate;
4. It contains a database of over 1,000 legislative precedents to assist the user with Legislative research tools such as law reports, law journals on Legislative Drafting and the LegisTech library of South America;
5. It has a feature for preview and scrutiny of Bills before printing;
6. It can be customized to suit the legal and Legislative system of Lesotho

1. NAME OF INVENTION: LEGISCRIPTA

2. INVENTOR: Dr. Tonye Clinton Jaja

3. ORGANISATION: Association Of Legislative Drafting And Advocacy Practitioners (ALDRAP)

4. ADDRESS: Suite 1.39 House of Representatives Wing, National Assembly, Three Arms Zone, Abuja, Federal Capital Territory;

5. ABSTRACT: LEGISCRIPTA is a computer tool that simplifies the process of drafting bills and other legislative documents. Instead of manually drafting bills from the scratch, it automatically allows the user to obtain a ready-made sample bill, which the user would then edit to suit the contents of the bill that the user is currently drafting. the LEGISCRIPTA software takes the user through a checklist of each component of a bill ensuring that none of the four major parts of the bill is omitted. the four major parts of a bill are 1. Preliminary provisions, 2. Principal provisions, 3. Miscellaneous provisions and 4. Final provisions. some additional features of the LEGISCRIPTA software is that it allows the user to draft amendment bills in a simplified manner. This is because the e-copies of the 552 laws of the Federation of Nigeria, 2004 Edition (this feature can be customised to upload the laws of other jurisdictions) are pre-loaded. Therefore, the user can select the particular law that he or she desires to amend. Also, another feature is that LEGISCRIPTA has a legal research/e-library component which allows the user to access over 1,000 law books, journals (international Journal of Legislative Drafting and Law Reform - 2012 To 2023) And Law Reports (Legislative Law Reports of Nigeria, 1962 - 2010) on the subject of Legislative Drafting.

6. BACKGROUND: LEGISCRIPTA was developed in response to the dearth of affordable, simple easy-to-use (indigenously designed) computer tools for African lawyers and legislators. Some of the comparative advantages of LEGISCRIPTA is that it is 90% cheaper than the majority of USA manufactured Legislative Drafting software. It is also simplified and easy-to-use considering the relatively low computer literacy within the African continent. More importantly it doesn't require internet connection.

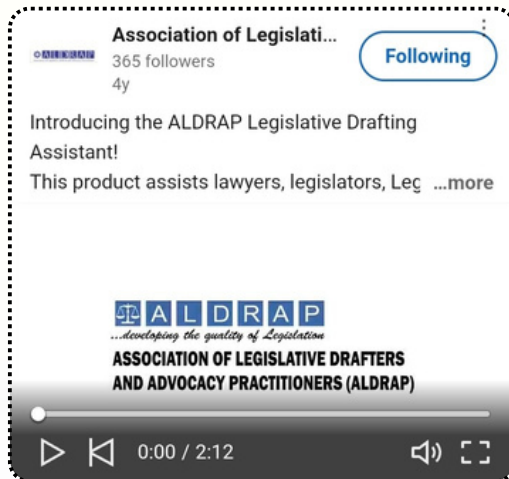
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