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Corporate law

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Practice areas

Rutabingwa is a Partner at MRB Attorneys, he has extensive legal expertise in various practice areas. His primary focus lies in commercial transactions, corporate law, arbitration, civil & commercial litigation, with a specialization in Alternative Dispute Resolution Mechanisms.

Work experience

Rutabingwa gained professional experience in the legal practice, both in Rwanda and beyond over a long period of time since the year 2000 to date. As a legal consultant, he advised diverse commercial entities with participation as either counsel or consultant.

He is a corporate and commercial attorney with extensive experience in advising clients and negotiating contracts in the financial services and energy sectors. He regularly acts as counsel to private and public operators, including banks, insurances, private equity funds on matters such as acquisitions, project finance, notes issuance, PPPs, project due diligence and general legal and regulatory compliance. Rutabingwa has also worked on projects funded by international development institutions and lending agencies advising on legal policy issues.

His experience covers a range of sectors including insolvency administration, financial services, energy and natural resources, aviation, insurance, ADR, manufacturing, and real estate. He advises different foreign and local clients on investment projects and opportunities in Rwanda and negotiated on their behalf with concerned Government agencies.

Rutabingwa served as either an arbitrator or counsel to parties in arbitration proceedings, both for domestic and international arbitrations. He also serves as a lecturer at the Institute of Legal Practice and Development in Rwanda (ILPD).

Education

Msc International Trade Policy and Trade Law – Lund University – Sweden.

Bachelor`s Degree in Law – National University of Rwanda.

Diploma in Legal Practice – Rwanda.

Fellow in Arbitration (FCIArb) – UK.

Associations and Memberships

- Member of the Rwanda Bar Association
- Member of the Commonwealth Lawyer`s Association.
- Member of the International Bar Association.
- Member of the Pan African Lawyer`s Union.
- Member of the Chartered Institute of Arbitrators (CIArb).
- Member of the Chartered Institute of Arbitrators – Rwanda Branch.
- A registered arbitrator at the Kigali International Arbitration Center (KIAC).
- Member of the Insolvency Administrators Association in Rwanda.

Languages

English, Kinyarwanda.