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BIOGRAPHICAL SYNOPSIS AND RELEVANT EXPERIENCE:

2002

Hon. Justice Nicholas R. O. Ombija (Rtd.) was included in the World Directory of Who is Who by the American Biographical Institute for his professional achievements and service to society.

2003

Hon. Justice Nicholas R. O. Ombija (Rtd.) was declared man of the year by the American Biographical Institute and became a Consulting Editor for the Directory.

2010

Hon. Justice Nicholas R. O. Ombija (Rtd.) was included in the American Biographical Institute, Hall of Fame.

EDUCATION

ACADEMIC QUALIFICATIONS:	Master of Laws (LL.M) Degree, specializing in Public International Law, University of Nairobi (UoN)	2005
	Bachelor of Laws (LL.B) Degree (Hons.), University of Nairobi (UoN)	1979
	Postgraduate Diploma in Legal Studies (Post.Grad.Dip.), Kenya School of Law	1980
EMPLOYMENT RECORD:	Judiciary, Puisne Judge of the High Court of Kenya	2001-2015
	Advocate, High Court of Kenya, retained by various organizations and Blue Chip Companies, including but not limited to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Central Bank of Kenya • National Bank of Kenya • Kenya Commercial Bank Ltd • Barclays Bank of Kenya • Kenya National Capital Corporation Ltd • East African Sugar Industries Ltd • Maseno University College • Sifa Insurance Brokers Co. Ltd • Kenindia Assurance Co. Ltd • Post Bank Credit Limited • The Co-operative Bank of Kenya • The National Council of Churches of Kenya • Kenya Reinsurance Corporation • The Delphis Bank Limited • United Bank Limited • Savings & Loan Kenya Ltd • Diamond Trust of Kenya Ltd 	1980-2001
PRO BONO WORK	Hon. Justice N. Ombija (Rtd.) offered free legal services to the poor (pauper briefs) during practice years as an advocate in Kisumu and Nairobi.	
	Legal Advisor / In-house Counsel - Municipal Council of Kisumu	1980- 1983
	Managing Partner, Ombija & Wasuna Company Advocates in Kisumu, Nairobi and Kisii	1983-1993
	Managing Partner, Ombija & Wasuna Company Advocates in Kisumu and Nairobi	1993-2001

PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIP

- Members, The Chartered Institute of Arbitrators
- Consulting Editor, Contemporary Who is Who
- Member, Professional Societies of East Africa
- Member, East African Judges & Magistrates Association
- Member, Kenya Judges & Magistrates Association
- Member, National Geographic Society
- Member, Law Society of Kenya (LSK)

COMMUNITY SERVICE:

- Board Member - Maseno School **1999-2009**
- Chairman Board - Maseno School **2003-2009**
- Board Member - Kisumu Boys High School **1988-1993**
- Board Member - St. Oda Aluor School for the Blind **1993-1996**
- Board Member - Kisumu Girls High School **1988-1993**
- Consulting Editor, Who is Who (ABI) **2003 – to date**

AWARDS RECEIVED:

Hon. Justice Nicholas R. O. Ombija (Rtd.) is a recipient of international awards notably:

- Honored by inclusion in the Hall of Fame of the American Biographical Institute (ABI) **2010**
- Included in the Contemporary Who is Who (American Biographical Institute) **2003**
- Outstanding Professional Award (ABI) **2003**
- International Cultural Diploma of Honor (ABI) **2003**

**CERTIFICATES
PARTICIPATION
ATTENDANCE:
CONFERENCES,
WORKSHOPS,
COLLOQUIUMS**

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- Man of the year Award (American Biographical Institute) **2003**
 - Consulting Editor for ABI Directory **2003**
 - Outstanding Intellectuals of the 21st Century (International Biographical Centre Cambridge) **2000**
 - World Lifetime Achievement Award (ARB). **2000**
- Hon. Justice N. Ombija (Rtd.) attended and/or delivered papers in many local and international conferences and workshops, including but not limited to:
- Mediation of JCT, Training for Judges **28th -5th March 2016**
- Young Men's Christian Association (YMCA) in the 18th World Council Meeting in Colorado, Denver, USA **30th June -6th July 2014**
- The 23rd United Nations Session of the Commission on Crime Prevention and Criminal Justice, Vienna, Austria **12th -15th May 2014**
- The 70th Y's men International Convention II Stavanger, Norway **2nd-5th August 2012**
- Seminar, United States Patent and Trademark Office's Global Intellectual Property Academy (GIPA) in Alexandria, Washington D. C. **17th – 19th January 2012**
- Key note speaker at LIWA {Linkage of Industry With Academia} Academic Integrity Seminar guided by "Connecting Authorship, Plagiarism, Intellectual Property and Disciplinary Habits", Laico Hotel, Nairobi **23rd-24th February 2012**
- Kenya Judges Colloquium, Whitesands Hotel, Mombasa **2015**
- Kenya Judges Colloquium, Safari Park Hotel, Nairobi **2014**
- Kenya Judges Colloquium, Serena Hotel, Mombasa **2013**

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Ghanian Judiciary Workshop on Leasing and Accompanying Documents, Fiesta Royale Hotel, Accra, Ghana	3 rd -6 th March 2007
Kenya Judges Colloquium, Serena Hotel, Mombasa	2006
International Workshop on Alternative Dispute Resolution, Organized by the California State University, Sacramento, Mombasa	11 th -12 th August 2005
Kenya National Human Rights Workshop at <i>Mt. Kenya Safari Club</i>	14 th -16 th June 2005
Gibraltar Human Rights of Symposium, <i>Gibraltar</i>	2 nd – 3 rd September 2004
Conference on Victim Offender Mediation Association, Fort Lauderdale, Florida, USA.	23 rd – 27 th September 2002
24 th Commonwealth Law Conference, Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia.	13 th – 16 th September 1999

Hon. Justice Nicholas R. O. Ombija (Rtd.) also attended and/or delivered papers in national and international conferences for lawyers and judges and is a member of several professional associations, including the World Nations Congress, International Biographical Association, World Peace and Diplomacy Forum, East African Magistrates and Judges Association, and Kenya Magistrates and Judges Association among others.

PUBLICATIONS & RESEARCH:

<i>A case study of Kenya specialized International Intellectual property Rights Court Regime:</i> A paper presented at a seminar at the Intellectual Property Institute (IPI) at Washington D.C, USA	17 th – 19 th January 2012
<i>Features of Leasing Agreement and Accompanying Documents: The Kenyan Experience:</i> A paper presented at a workshop for the Ghanaian Judiciary, Fiesta Royale Hotel, Accra, Ghana.	3 rd March 2007
<i>“Validity of the US Bilateral Immunity Agreement in the Context of International Law”</i> Postgraduate research conducted in partial fulfillment of the award of LL.M degree of the University of Nairobi	2005
<i>A view from the Bench (The Prosecutor’s duties to the court and the prosecutorial process)</i> - a Paper presented at the Refresher Course for State Counsel in the Department of Public Prosecution, Windsor Hotel Nairobi	22 nd – 24 th August 2005
<i>“Restorative Justice & Victims of Crime in Kenya:- A Practitioners’ Perspective”</i> - a Paper presented at the 19 th Annual Conference of the Victim Offender Mediation Association (VOMA), Fort Lauderdale, Florida U.S.A.	23 rd – 27 th September 2002
<i>Impact of Trade Union Legislation on Collective Bargaining in Kenya</i> - An undergraduate Research conducted in partial fulfillment of the award of LL.B degree of the University of Nairobi	1979