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### IDENTITY DETAILS

Name: KABENGELE Kizito NKITABUNGI  
ID No: 7006096053186  
Nationality: Congolese (DRC)  
Languages: French, English, Swahili (Eastern Africa), Tshiluba, Lingala, (DRC), Nyanja, Bemba (Zambia), Chewa (Malawi)

### AREAS OF INTEREST

Business and human rights with focus on corporate social responsibility (CSR); Constitutional law litigation; fundamental rights especially equality and socio-economic rights; International human rights law; democracy and right to vote.

### EDUCATION & QUALIFICATIONS

2010 July & currently: Doctoral Researcher & LLD Candidate at the University of Pretoria (UP). Thesis title: "Linking Business to Human Rights in the Democratic Republic of the Congo: Socio-economic Rights and Mining Contracts"

2011 October Certificate for advanced Human Rights in Africa course (CHR - University of Pretoria)

2010 August: Certificate for the All Africa IHL (International Humanitarian Law) offered by the ICRC & CHR of University of Pretoria, Law Faculty

2006 – 2008 University of South Africa, in South Africa  
LLM (Master of laws); Course work programme including a Dissertation titled "A Constitutional remedy for the breach of political rights: Developments in Khutsong Local Government elections"

1995 – 1997 University of Lubumbashi, in Lubumbashi – DR Congo  
LLB (Bachelor of law) in the Department of Private and Judiciary Law. Defence of a dissertation titled "An analysis of impossible infringement in the Congolese Criminal law"

1991 – 1994 University of Lubumbashi, in Lubumbashi – DR Congo  
BA – Law (Bachelor of Art in law) with submission of an essay on private law subject

1982 – 1990 Saint Francois de Sales Minor Seminar & Saint Louis-Bandayi-DRC  
National Senior Certificate with following subjects: French, English, Latin, Philosophy,  
Mathematics, Physics, Biology, Geography, History

## **PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE**

2015 - Admitted as Sworn Translator of the High Court of South Africa

February 2015: Admitted as an Advocate of the High Court of South Africa - Johannesburg

March 2012 – current: Vice President of the Executive Committee for the Federation of Past Pupils of Catholic Education in South Africa (Faecas)

December 2012 Admitted as Part-time Teaching Assistant in Law, College of Law, at the University of South Africa

November 2010 - current: Deputy Chairperson of the Board of Directors for “Moshate” a research, reporting and educational NGO dealing with issues regarding abuse of men and boys

June 2010 - current: Member of the African Network of Constitutional Lawyers (ANCL)

January 2010 - 2015: Academic Research Associate in Public Law Department, Faculty of Law, University of Pretoria (UP)

December 2009 & 2010: Reader and researcher in law. Participant in annual Constitutional Court Review (CCR) Conferences, a joint collaboration of PULP, SAIFAC and CLSA supported by the KAS and World Bank

May - August 2009: Temporary Legal Consultant at Vuka Trust (NGO).  
Undertake research on the challenge of the Emoluments attachment orders (Garnishing orders) of the Magistrate Courts Act

March 2008 – August 2011: Part-time Legal Advisor at PGTBI (Business CC)  
Handle of contracts matter and other related company investment and legal issues

September – November 2008 Conducted research study as Researcher with the Population Council (NGO) on the assessment of the needs of socially marginalised populations in Johannesburg inner-city, funded by Ford foundation

April 2005 – current: Temporary Translator – interpreter for French - English and English - French with Translation Lingua Communication (TLC), Johannesburg.

June 2004 – May 2006: Executive Manager at Mike General Supplies, Johannesburg, RSA. Tasked with general administrative, office operations and facilities management; also including procurement of supplies and drafting of contracts; design of appropriate event themes and venues.  
Reasons for leaving: looking for better prospects

August 2000 – March 2003: Executive Manager at Benissa Trading, in Lusaka - Zambia. Tasks include resolving problems with common office services, contract negotiation and sale management; delivery's schedules and provide legal opinion.  
Reasons for leaving: moving to South Africa

February 1998 – April 2000: Researcher at Human Rights Federation, Lubumbashi-DRC. Tasks include monitoring and treatment of information on network; writing of legal opinion and preparation of litigation files.

Reasons for Leaving: end of contract

October 1995 – July 2000: General Secretary for the Catholic Youth Coordination, Lubumbashi, DRC. Tasks include general administrative and financial management, and liaise with public and religious authorities. Deputy editor for Youth Journal “Mbegu”.

Reasons for leaving: accepted a position offered in Zambia.

## **SKILL PROFILE**

> Research capacity: Understanding & implementation of research mechanism with technical and intellectual rigour; analysis and review mechanism; competencies in probing human rights violations. Tutor for law undergraduate as well as masters of law students.

>Competency Skills include computer literacy, excellent written and verbal communication for both listed above languages; companies core administrative tasks; drafting of agreements and contracts, notes and administrative notes; managerial leadership and instructive capabilities and high responsibility for financial and administrative management of projects for both institutions (public & private) and NGOs.

>Personality and organisational attributes include dedication toward work with attention to detail and timeframe; ability for conflict resolution and solving of problems; and ability to work under pressure, alone or within a team.

## **COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES AND AWARDS**

Certificate awarded in 2011 October for advanced Human Rights in Africa course (CHR - University of Pretoria); Certificate awarded in International Humanitarian Law (CHR-UP & ICRC); certificate on Democracy and Good Governance during a Seminar with Human Rights Watch, 1998, Lubumbashi; certificate of attendance in seminar on NGOs’ external relations management and human rights by the Federation of Human Rights, 1999, Lubumbashi. Participation in conferences on Human Rights challenges and evaluation of socio-economic rights with the SAIFAC and the South African Human Rights Commission, in South Africa. Certificate awarded for conducting a week-long Millennium Youth Forum attended by 2000 youth in 1999 Lubumbashi. Have been member of the Justice and Peace Catholic Commission and Catechism teacher; also I provide awareness of safety and health environmental programme in my living area and church.

## **REFERENCES**

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