CURRICULUM VITAE

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**Objective:** International Arbitrator, Ministry Associate or Assistant Director in a poli-tical or public service environment where there is a need for strong admi-nistrative skills, proficiency in relating interpersonally, the ability to com-municate effectively in French and English, and familiarity with Inter-national Law.

**Education:** **Bachelor of International Law Degree** (Graduat en Droit Public International), University of Kinshasa, Kinshasa, Democratic Republic of Congo (DRC), 1995 (university was closed by government 1990-92).

**Secondary School Diploma** (Diplôme d’Etat en Pédagogie Générale),

Institut Bonsomi, Kinshasa, DRC, 1988. Trained as a primary level school

teacher.

**Other Training:** **Certificate in Arbitration of International Disputes**, University of Lei-den on Coursera, Netherlands, 2018

**Certificate in Copyright Law**, University of Cape-Town, South-Africa, 2017

**Certificate in Rough Diamond Evaluation**, Harry Oppenheimer Dia-mond School, Johannesburg, South-Africa, 2016

**Certificate in Diamond Polishing**, Harry Oppenheimer Diamond School, Johannesburg, South-Africa, 2016

**Diploma in Biblical Studies**, School of Ministry, Servants Ministry International, Johannesburg (accredited by Trinity University and Therapon University, Texas, USA), March 2009

**Ongoing:** **Master en Commerce et Marketing International** (**Master in Interna-tional Trade and Marketing**), EENI Global Business School / HA Univer-sity, (Escuela Espanola de Negocios Internacionales / Hispano-African Uni-versity – e Learning), Tarragona, Spain, 2020

**Experience:** **Freelance Translator** of Bible Commentaries (English to French, Bible Lessons International [http://www.freebiblecommentary.org/], Texas, U.S.A.), 2011 to date

**Volunteer** at “We are the world, Isabel Foundation”, a charity organization feeding homeless people within public parks throughout the city of Johannesburg. Assisting in the teaching of the Word of God to the concerned homeless people, 2009

**National Secretary** of the South Africa region of a church association whose headquarters are located in DRC. Responsible for the supervision of the departments of administration and evangelism; manage pastoral staff; oversee project planning, public relations, finances, as well as provide assistance with doctrinal matters. Evangelical Fellowship of Pentecostals in Africa, South Africa (FEPASA Church) Berea, Johannesburg, 2006 – 2008.

**Entrepreneur** of a transport business which carried public residents throughout the city by car and vans. Purchased and maintained vehicles, supervised employees, managed finances and interacted with governmental agencies in registering appropriate documents. Self-employed, Kinshasa, DRC, 2004-2005.

**Managing Director** of the Transport Division of a conglomerate included agricultural and farming, mining and aviation companies. Immediate supervisor for four directors; provided orientation and chaired daily executive meetings. Responsible for 200 employees, proper functioning of the division, including site visits and financial management. Interfaced with board of shareholders; reported to chief executive officer (CEO). Promoted from position of **Personal Advisor to the CEO** of the group of companies. Provided legal advice on commercial interests; responsible for human resources management; and participated in international service missions to secure equipment, supplies and fuel in other African countries. Simultaneously served as **Flight Manager** of the Aviation Division, which included making travel accommodations for the crew of the cargo planes, overseeing cargo security in loading and unloading, and supervising ten employees. General Services and Commercial Activities (GESAC) Group Ltd., Kinshasa, DRC, 2001-2003 (dissolved in 2003).

**Personal Advisor to the Managing Director** of an international commercial bank managed by a CEO from a foreign country. Provided legal advice and assistance in loan authorisation; verified authenticity of title deeds and other documents required to secure small business loans. Served as a liaison between the staff and the CEO; advised regarding cultural matters and protocol. Gold Trust Bank (Banque a la Confiance d’Or, BANCOR), Kinshasa DRC, 2000–2001.

**Manager** of a mid-sized restaurant which featured European cuisine. Supervised a staff of twenty; responsible for orders and purchases for the culinary process as well as for the physical business environment. Promoted from position of **Legal Advisor**. Assisted foreign owner by interacting with government departments to meet requirements regarding public health and tourism and securing appropriate licenses. Tequila’s Restaurant (Restaurant Tequila’s), Kinshasa, DRC, 1996–2000.

**Personal:** Born in Kinshasa, Democratic Republic of Congo in 1968; married, father of 2 children. Passion for service; committed to the Christian biblical and spiritual life. Relocated to South Africa in October 2006.

**Other facts:** Fluent in French and possess good English skills; African languages include Lingala, Tshiluba, Kikongo and some Swahili. Desire to travel and explore other cultures; love to socialise with diverse people. Enjoy rea-ding, quiet moments and watching positive television programmes.