NKOYOENE EFFIONG LEWIS

ORGANIZATIONAL LEADERSHIP STRATEGIST

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SKILLS

// PROFESSIONAL

Adaptability

Change Leadership

Collaboration

Conflict Resolution

Consensus-Building

Governance

Innovation

//TECHNICAL

Adobe

Microsoft Office

EDUCATION

J.D.

New York University School of Law, New York, NY 2013

A.B.

American Civilization Brown University, Providence, RI 2006

SUMMARY

Innovative problem-solver and leadership strategist with 13+ years of experience advancing excellence, equity, and education justice in K-12 schools. Proven track record of advancing sustainable systems-level change without sacrificing culture, capacity, or compliance. Adept at leading teams, navigating disruption, and collaborating across lines of difference to reach ambitious goals.

RELEVANT EXPERIENCE

CHIEF IMPACT STRATEGIST

June 2022 - Present

Iban Ison Solutions, LLC, Atlanta, GA

- Deliver keynote speeches, training, and workshops related to change management, professionalism, and leadership development in the future of work.
- Design change management strategy, innovation support, and succession plans for high-impact social enterprises.
- Advise C-level leaders and boards on organizational development, governance, leadership, and sustainability matters.

DIRECTOR, LAW PRACTICE MANAGEMENT

October 2021 - Present

State Bar of Georgia, Atlanta, GA

- Lead a team of three to provide resources, support, and ethically compliant
 programming, including an annual conference, for all solo and small firm attorneys
 licensed to practice in the State of Georgia.
- Manage relationships with key stakeholders and sponsors, both internal and external to the organization.
- Oversee department budget, including managing expenses, forecasting, and developing new sources of revenue.
- Consult with attorneys on legal technology, operations and management, and issues
 relating to personnel, risk management, accounting and billing procedures, and
 partnership issues.

CANDIDATE APS BOARD OF EDUCATION

June 2023 - November 2023

Friends of Nkoyo Effiong Lewis, Inc., Atlanta, GA

- Garnered 45.5% (12, 162) of the votes as a first-time candidate against an incumbent.
- Raised approximately \$48,000 and secured endorsements from organizations.
- Ran a grassroots campaign rooted in a personal connection with the community.
- Elevated the conversation about equity and innovation in our schools.

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ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

MEMBER

State Bar of Georgia 2013-Present

IEP FACILITATOR

Department of Education 2019-2022

FORMER HEARING OFFICER

City of Atlanta Civil Service Board 2018-2021

FORMER FOURTH GRADE TEACHER

Fulton County Schools 2006-2008

EXPERIENCE continued

PRINCIPAL ATTORNEY

April 2016 - October 2021

The Effiong Firm LLC, Atlanta, GA

- Managed daily operations of the firm, including strategic planning, business development, practice management, accounting, marketing, and professional development.
- Represented parents and students in education matters, including student discipline and special education matters.
- Developed advocacy training and resources for families of students with disabilities.

PROJECT ATTORNEY

April 2016 - December 2017

Lawrence & Bundy, LLC, Atlanta, GA

 Researched and advised on higher education matters including institutional policies and Title IX matters.

EDUCATION LAW ASSOCIATE

January 2015 - April 2016

Nelson Mullins Riley & Scarborough LLP, Atlanta, GA

- Represented school systems in the areas of labor and employment, procurement, school governance, and policy.
- Negotiated agreements minimizing expense and risk exposure to the district.
- Conducted legal research and advised on school law issues, compliance, and administrative procedure.

LITIGATION ASSOCIATE

October 2013 - December 2014

Sutherland, Asbill & Brennan LLP, Atlanta, GA

- Represented construction industry professionals.
- Conducted extensive legal research in the areas of construction, employment and commercial litigation.
- Seconded to large corporate client to assist with multi-million dollar telecommunications deal.
- Successfully briefed and argued for a discretionary waiver of relief in a political asylum pro bono case.
- Provided over one hundred hours of pro bono legal services to nonprofit and indigent clients.

PROGRAM DIRECTOR

July 2008 - August 2010

Teach For America, Inc., Atlanta, GA

- Designed and facilitated ongoing professional development for corps members and staff based on data-driven analysis of student progress trends and growth areas.
- Co-designed literacy and diversity and inclusiveness curriculum that received the highest survey results across all pilot regions.

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FOURTH GRADE TEACHER

July 2006 - May 2008

Fulton County Schools, East Point, GA

- Yielded highest standardized test score results meeting or exceeding grade level expectations with 96% in reading, 100% in language arts, and 91% in math.
- Increased reading growth nearly two years in ten months.
- Led fourth grade department as Grade Level Chair and named to vertical team.