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Benita Kibonge is a litigation attorney representing businesses, corporations, healthcare institutions, and professionals in complex civil and commercial matters. Her practice focuses on healthcare litigation and professional liability, product liability, and appellate advocacy. She manages cases through all phases of litigation, from early evaluation and strategic motion practice to discovery, depositions, and trial preparation.

Her broader litigation background includes employment matters, insurance defense, intellectual property disputes, construction defects, and premises liability. She is experienced in dispositive motion practice, arbitration and settlement strategy, and appellate support in complex civil matters. Before joining Bennett Bigelow & Leedom, she practiced at national and regional firms, representing clients in commercial, labor and employment, real estate, and intellectual property matters.

Benita earned her J.D. from the University of Iowa College of Law. She also holds an LL.M. in Intellectual Property and Cyber Law from the University of Illinois College of Law and Alliance University, and a BA/LL.B. with High Honors from Karnataka State Law University. She is admitted to practice in Washington and Washington, D.C. and is also licensed in Nigeria.

**PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE**

- Associate, Bennett Bigelow & Leedom, P.S. 2026 – Present
- Associate, Scheer.Law PLLC 2024 -2026
- Associate, Lippes Mathias LLP 2022 - 2024
- Derecho Legal Advocate, Iowa Legal Aid 2022 – 2023
- Summer Associate, Lippes Mathias LLP 2022
- Associate, Udeh Chambers 2018 – 2020
- Legal Advocate, Ethnic Minorities of Burma Advocacy And Resource Centre 2021 – 2022

- Senior Editor, JurisEdge Journal,

2016 – 2018

#### **AWARDS AND RECOGNITION**

- Summa Cum Laude, LLM – IP, Alliance University 2017
- Cum Laude, LLB, Karnataka state law University, 2016
- Winner, Altus Disputatio, 2015

#### **PROFESSIONAL AND COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT**

- Washington State Bar Association (WSBA)
- Loren Miller Bar Association (LMBA)
- National Bar Association (NBA)
- Washington Defense Trial Lawyers (WDTL)
- Washington State Society of Healthcare Attorneys (WSSHA)
- Member, Pro bono & Public Service Committee, WSBA
- Member, Judicial Recommendation Committee, WSBA
- Board Member, Sage and Enamel Foundation, 2020 – 2023.
- Teaching Assistant, Junior Achievement, 2019
- Intellectual Property Tutor, Infusion Lawyers, 2018 – 2025

#### **EDUCATION**

**University of Iowa College of Law, J.D., 2022**

**University of Illinois, Urbana-Champaign, LLM-IP, 2020**

**Alliance University, Bangalore, LLM-IP/Cyber Law, 2017**

**Karnataka State Law University, BA/LLB, 2016**

#### **BAR AND COURT ADMISSIONS**

Washington State Bar Association (WSBA)

Washington DC Bar Association (DC Bar)

Nigerian Bar Association (NBA)