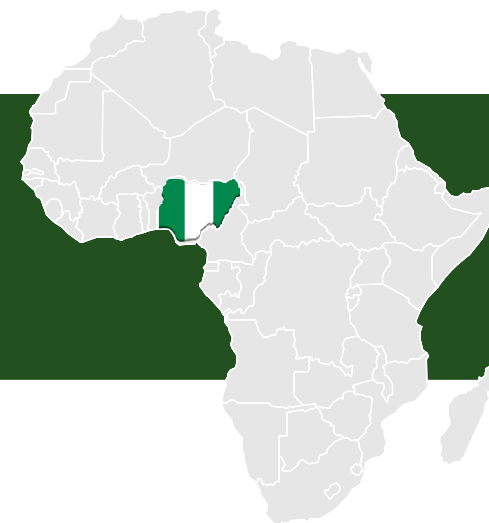




INSTITUTE FOR AFRICAN WOMEN IN LAW



OUR NIGERIAN FOOTPRINT





ABOUT IAWL

Enhancing the capacity of women in law for positive societal change and development

The Institute for African Women in Law (IAWL) is a Pan-African non-profit, non-governmental organization based in Washington, D.C., and Accra, Ghana. IAWL is committed to supporting the formidable works of women in law across Africa and the African diaspora. Our goal is to be a focal point for addressing issues across the legal and judicial professions.

MISSION

To enhance potential, nurture leadership, create opportunities, and build partnerships.

VISION

To build a network of legal professionals devoted to using the law as a tool for positive societal change and advancement.

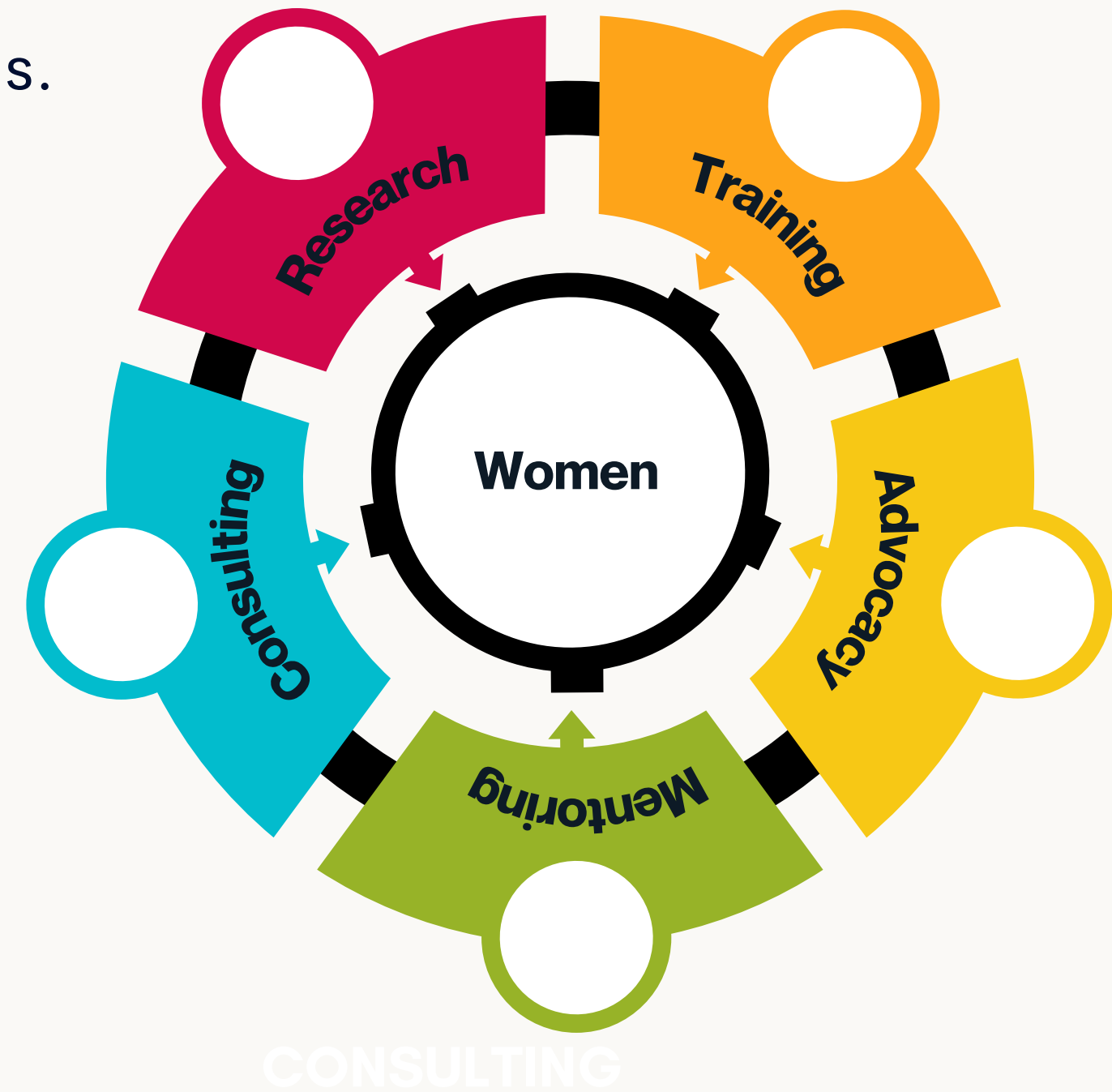


FOCUS AREAS

We center women in all our approaches and interventions.

OUR APPROACH

- 01 Strategic Partnerships
- 02 Innovative Programming
- 03 Coalition Building
- 04 Knowledge Production





What we do

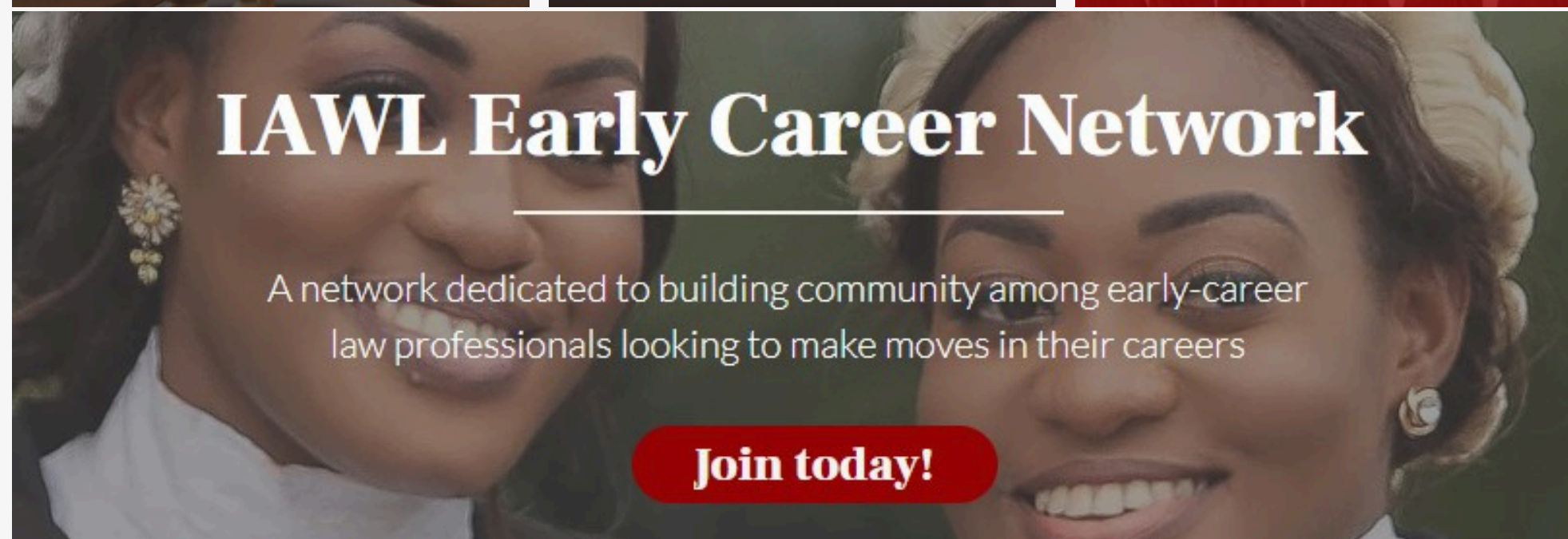
Training

Mentoring



Women's Excellence in Law and Leadership Academy

A digital training initiative to train and develop the capacity of 500,000+ women for leadership and professional development in the next five years.

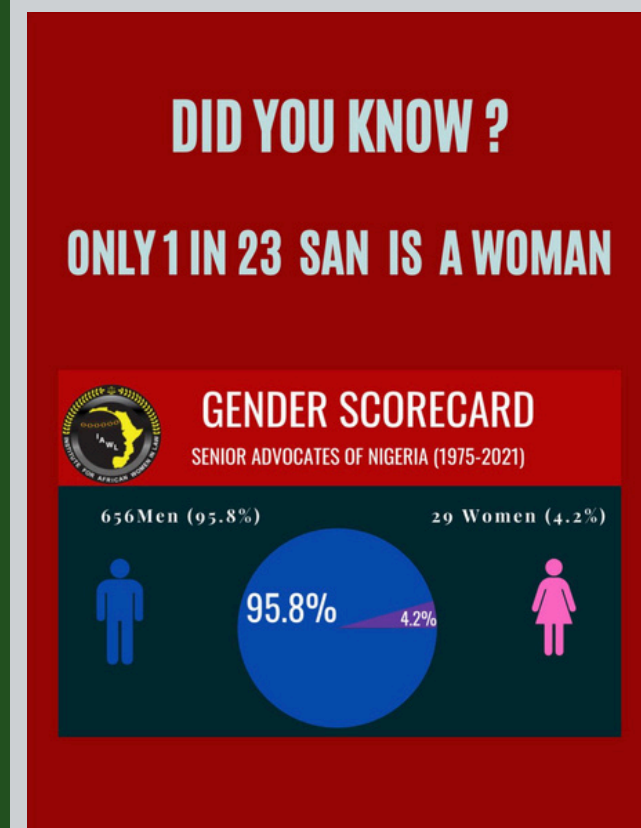


IAWL has four networks for legal professionals devoted to using the law as a tool for positive societal change and development!



What we do

Advocacy



Institute for African Women in Law

Did you know that since the Law Society of Kenya (LSK) appointed its first chairperson/ president in 1949, only one woman has occupied the office?

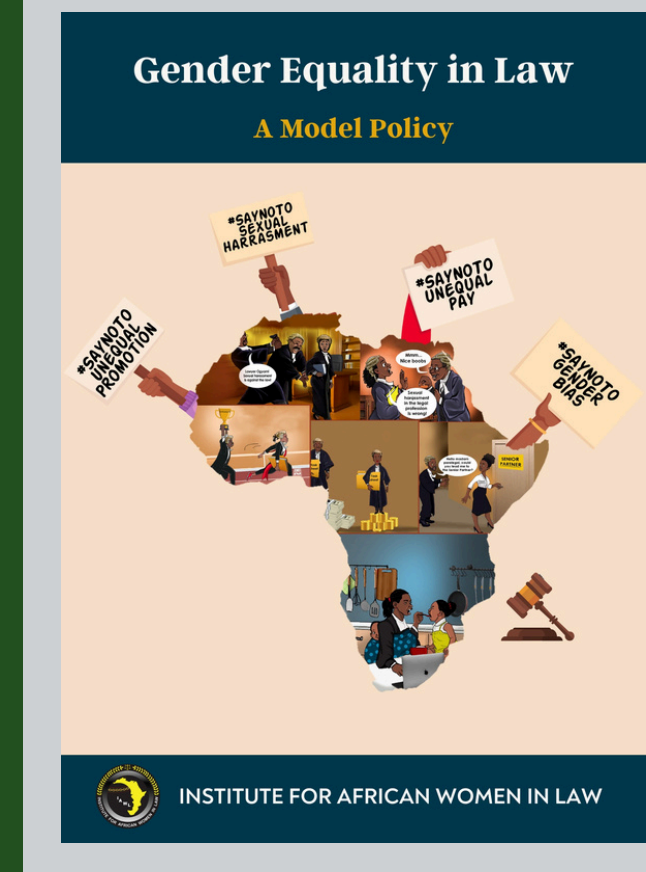
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IT'S TIME TO CHANGE THE NARRATIVE

#LSKelections2024



Engaging in high-level advocacy that has sparked important conversations and brought attention to the need for gender balance in the legal profession

- Created opportunities for women in leadership: Successfully advocated for the appointment/ election of qualified women in law into national and international leadership positions
- Launched the Gender Equality in Law Campaign (GELC) to effect policy and practice reforms for equitable and women-inclusive institutional practices and policies.

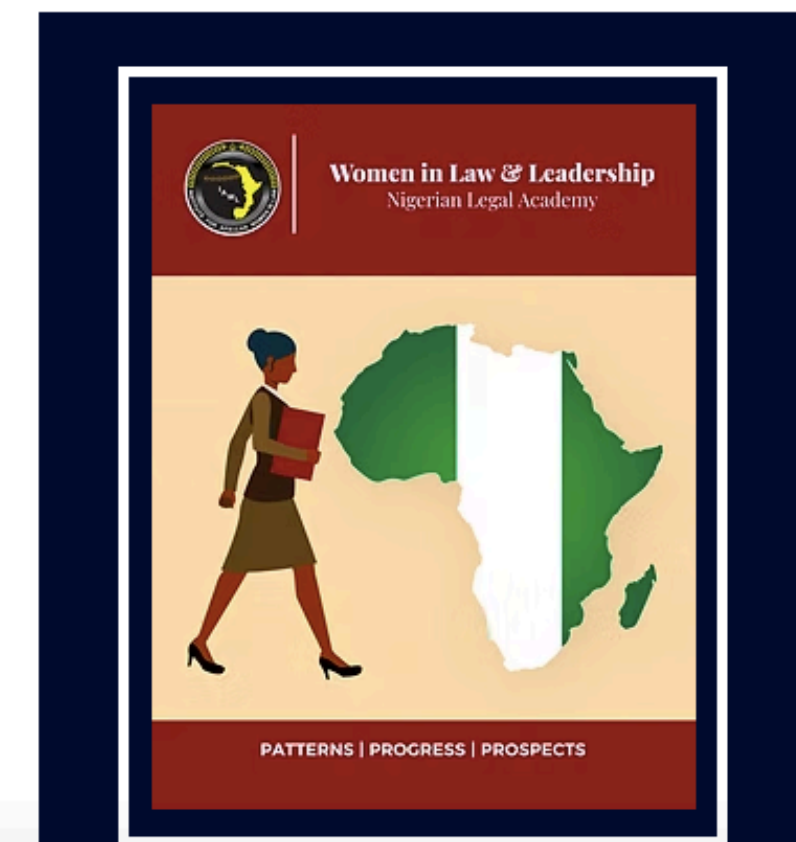
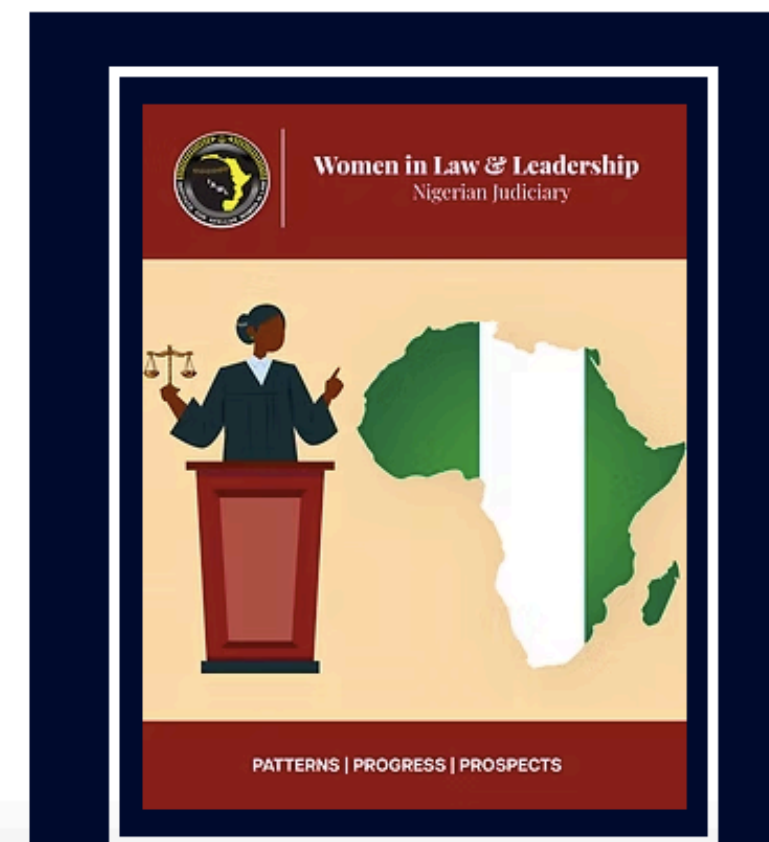
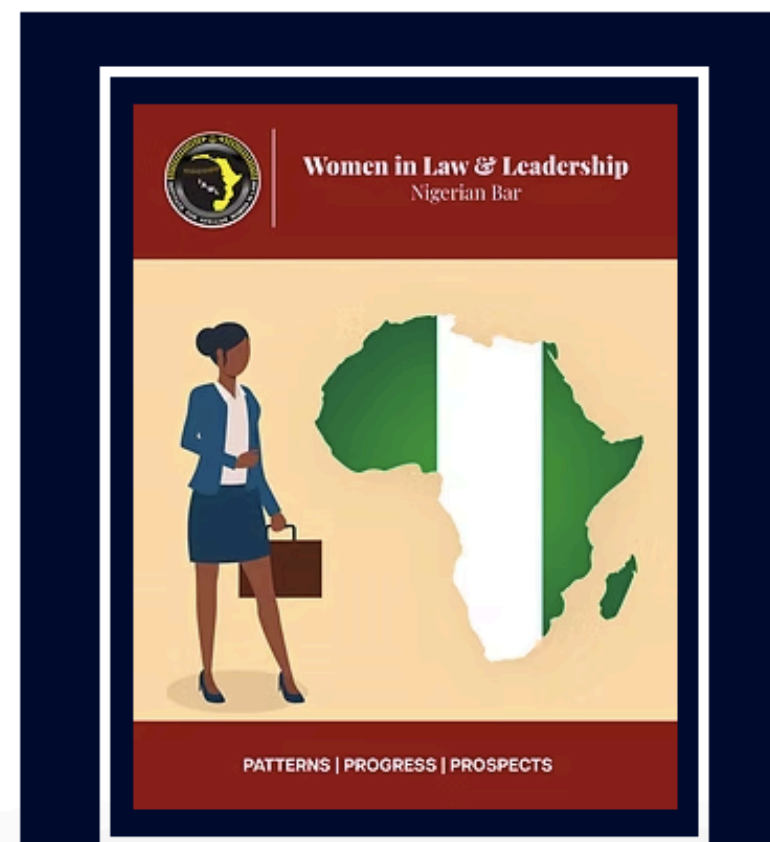


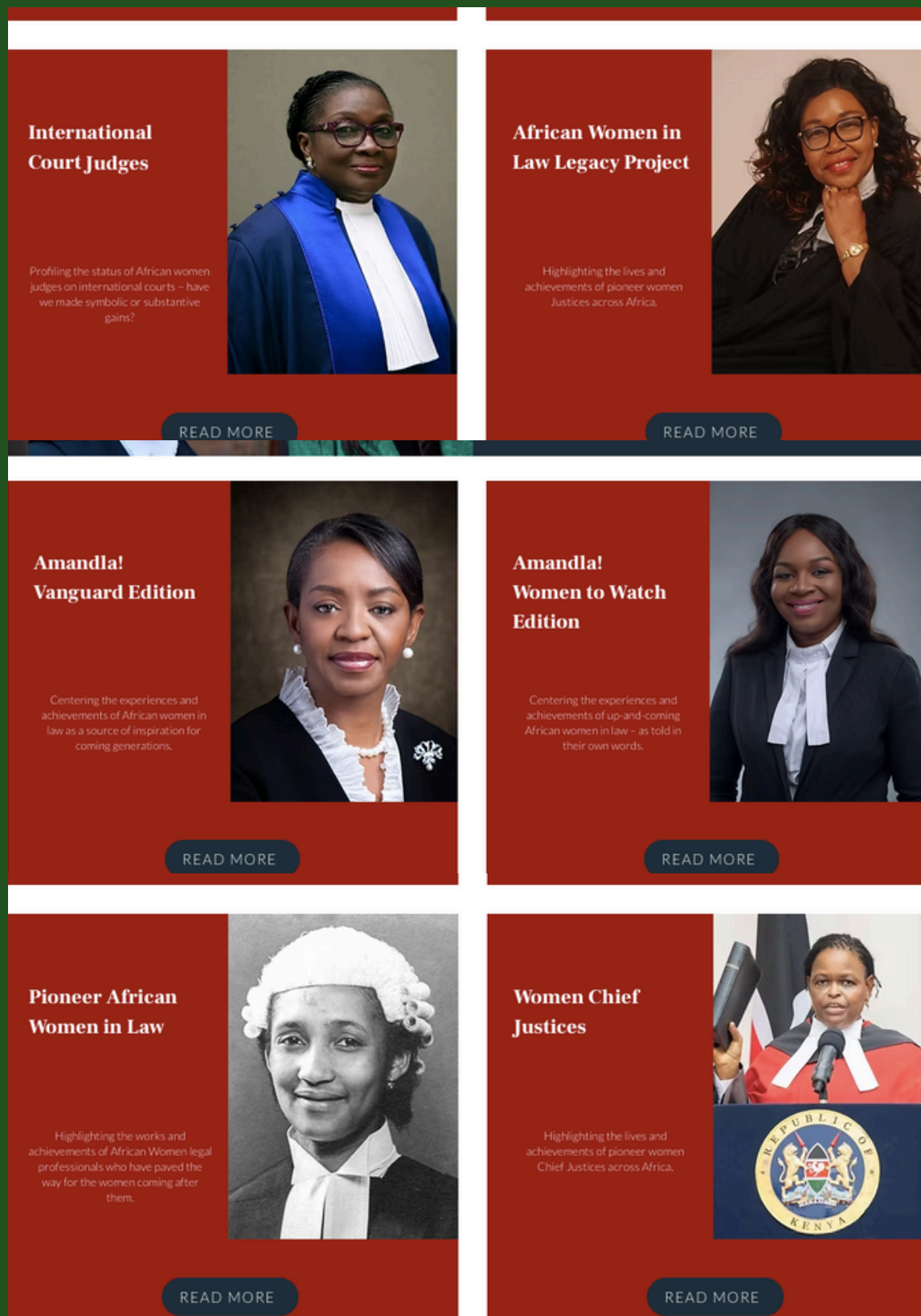
What we do

Research



- Harness the power of **storytelling** to restore and preserve the historical agency of African women in law
- Highlight the **often-overlooked contributions** of African women in law and ignite inspiration among women across the continent and beyond
- Call attention to the **gender disparity in law institutions** and HOLD them accountable for their commitment to gender equality, driving them to take meaningful steps toward creating inclusive environments.
- Provide a **model plan** for stakeholders and civil society to take decisive steps toward systemic change for a more equitable legal profession

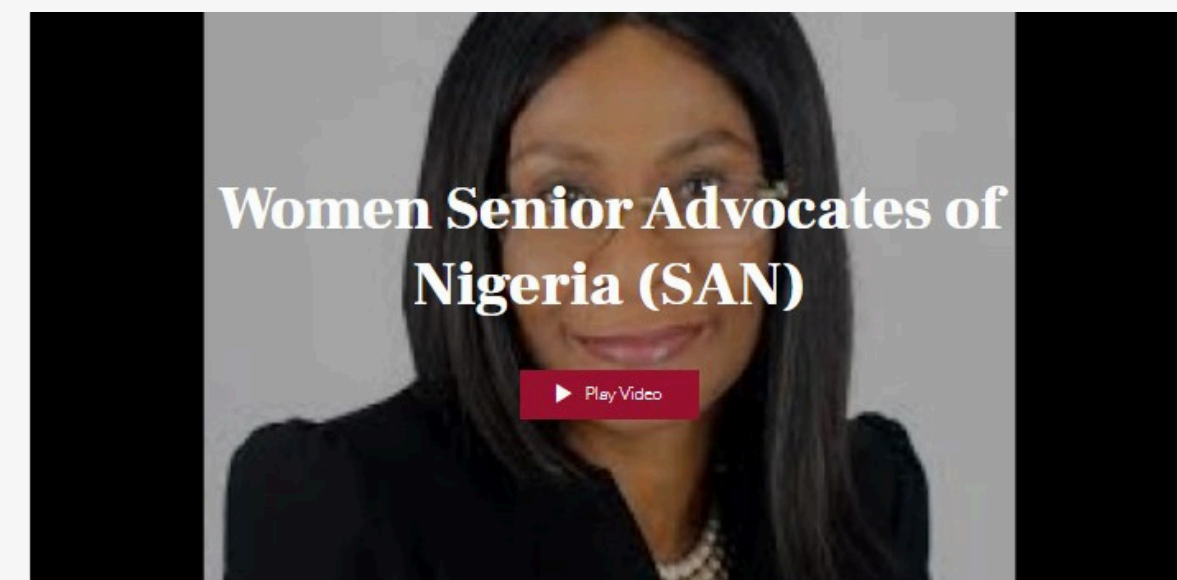




Digital Archive

Women Senior Advocates of Nigeria (SAN)

The WOMEN SAN report provides a historic and quantitative analysis that combines oral interviews with women Senior Advocates on the state of women SAN in Nigeria.



Legacy Project

The Institute for African Women in Law (IAWL) presents an oral history project, the African Women in Law Legacy Project – documenting the life stories of pioneer and iconic African women in law.





Our Convenings

In 2023, we launched the Leadership reports in high-level convenings in Nigeria, Kenya and South Africa.

NUMBERS

500+
women in law
across the legal
profession



REACH

Legal professionals
Diplomatic corps,
Government officials,
International Non-
Governmental
Organizations (INGOs),
and more



IMPACT

Received multiple
collaborative
requests from other
organizations and
individuals.





Our Convenings

In 2024, we launched the Gender Equality in Law Campaign in Accra, Ghana.



200+ lawyers in attendance



20+ Ghanaian law firms represented





IAWL at the African Union



GELC endorsed through a Regional Consultative and Stakeholder Engagement at the African Union, in collaboration with the African Union Office of the Legal Counsel and the Office of Former Chief Justice Meaza Ashenafi.

OUR REACH & IMPACT



Our Numbers



11,000+
Annual blog readers



10,000+
Social media following



9,000+
Online event attendees



5200+
Email marketing database



1,500+
in-person event attendees



IAWL has reached women across Africa and the African diaspora through various programs and initiatives. Our impact has been felt at individual and systemic levels as we work to empower women to make positive changes in their communities and the legal field.

Impact Testimonials

“ I wish to recognize the efforts of IAWL in putting together this insightful research report. I am particularly inspired by its representativeness and the voice it gives female lawyers in Nigeria to express themselves in the best and most realistic way possible ”

Hairat Ade-Balogun, OON
Life Bencher, Nigeria

“ The Institute for African Women in Law (IAWL) has done a remarkable job commissioning this research and compiling this report. It is up to date with the times by noting the changing needs of female judges in Nigeria. I recommend that all judges – female and male - read this insightful report because there is a lot to learn and unlearn.” ”

Hon. Justice Aloma Mariam Mukhtar, GCON
First Female Chief Justice of Nigeria.



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