

ANNE MMEJE'S BIO

Anne Mmeje was born in Nigeria where she lived until she migrated to the United States in 2011.

Admitted to the Nigerian Bar in 2008, Anne worked as a pupil government counsel in Northern Nigeria between 2008 and 2009 where she gained experience in Sharia Law. From 2009 to 2011, Anne practiced in a private law firm in Common Law-governed Southern Nigeria where her practice included Family Law.

In 2012, Anne was admitted to the California State Bar. Thereafter, Anne volunteered with the Los Angeles County Bar Association Immigration Legal Assistance Project where she served low-income immigrants seeking permanent residency and citizenship status in the United States.

Since April 2013, Anne has been volunteering with the Institute for Non-violence, a non-profit that equips youths and older community members with skills to resolve disputes without resorting to violence.

In February 2015, Anne joined the Law Offices of Azuka L. Uzoh where she specializes in Real Estate and Employment Law.

Family Law practice in the U.S. differs greatly from the practice in Nigeria. Whereas in the U.S., laws are products of the common will of the people, in Nigeria, even in its present democratic regime, laws are mostly remnants of decades-old military dictatorship decrees and orders, people are unaware of their rights, and lawyers are still banned from advertising their services to the public.

With the perspective gained from practicing in two jurisdictions worlds apart, Anne has authored several articles on Family Law issues in Nigeria including underage marriages, women inheritance rights, and economic empowerment of women.