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OVERVIEW

Alex focuses on corporate law, assisting clients with transactions, contracts, and business matters.

Growing up in Nigeria, Alex saw attorneys as problem solvers and advocates for fairness. The profession's reputation for helping people tackle challenges inspired him to pursue a legal career, and he earned two law degrees before moving to the U.S., where he earned an LL.M. and a J.D. As an attorney in Nigeria, Alex handled multimillion-dollar transactions, including negotiations and due diligence for significant power projects.

Drawn to corporate law by a family background of entrepreneurship, Alex has always had an interest in the business side of law. This practice area allows him to work directly with business owners and companies, providing guidance on deals and helping clients achieve their objectives. He's a former business owner himself: as an undergraduate, Alex launched a startup in Nigeria, which he later expanded to the U.S.

Alex's hands-on business experience shapes the practical approach he brings to legal work. He especially enjoys working on contracts, an area that stood out to him in law school as a clear example of how legal agreements shape business relationships and carry real consequences.

Clients value Alex's ability to listen, attention to detail, and patient guidance through complex issues. He is known for clear communication and a steady, solutions-focused approach.

Services

Corporate

Energy Tax Credits

Mergers & Acquisitions

Securities & Corporate Governance

Experience

- Assisted buyers and sellers in mergers and acquisitions involving stock purchase agreements, asset purchase agreements, securities purchase agreements, escrow arrangements, purchase price adjustment mechanisms, and related transaction documentation.
- Drafted partnership and LLC agreements to account for changes in law or business deals.
- Advised founders on conversions of companies from one entity structure to another.
- Advised a federal agricultural lending institution in connection with multiple acquisitions of renewable energy tax credits totaling approximately \$97.5 million, including the negotiation and review of related insurance, guaranty, diligence, and closing documentation.
- Advised a federal mortgage lending institution concerning the acquisition of approximately \$49.6 million of Section 48 investment tax credits from multiple affiliated sellers.
- Advised a federal mortgage lending institution in connection with the acquisition of approximately \$21.4 million of Section 45Z production tax credits, including tax credit insurance, diligence, and related transaction documentation.
- Advised a national software manufacturer regarding the acquisition of approximately \$100 million of Section 45X production tax credits over a four-year period.
- Advised a regional electric utility in connection with contemporaneous acquisitions of Section 48 investment tax credits and Section 45 production tax credits totaling approximately \$13 million.
- Advised a national ethanol producer in connection with the transfer of approximately \$23 million of Section 45Z production tax credits, including the negotiation of tax credit insurance arrangements.
- Advised one of the largest accounting and advisory firms in the United States concerning multiple renewable energy tax credit transfer transactions, including transfers valued at approximately \$7.5 million and \$2.7 million.

Experience

- Advised a private manufacturing American company in connection with a renewable energy tax credit transfer transaction valued at approximately \$17.5 million.
- Advised clients concerning the acquisitions, transfers, and monetizations of federal renewable energy tax credits under Sections 45, 45Q, 45X, 45Z, and 48 of the Internal Revenue Code.
- Advised a foreign manufacturing company regarding foreign entity of concern (FEOC) analyses, ownership considerations, officer certificate diligence, and renewable energy tax credit qualification matters.
- Advised clients regarding Inflation Reduction Act compliance, renewable energy tax credit eligibility, and FEOC-related considerations arising from cross-border ownership structures and supply chain arrangements.
- Assisted with acquisitions, financings, and development matters involving solar, battery storage, community solar, renewable natural gas, landfill gas, wind, and ethanol assets throughout the United States.
- Advised lenders, borrowers, and project sponsors in project finance transactions involving renewable natural gas, landfill gas, community solar, solar-plus-storage, and ethanol facilities.
- Assisted clients in connection with equity investments, debt restructurings, refinancings, and related commercial arrangements in the renewable energy sector.
- Advised clients regarding renewable energy tax credit transactions involving diligence reviews, tax credit insurance, guaranties, legal opinions, transaction structuring, and closing documentation.

Education

- J.D., University of Iowa College of Law
- LL.M., Indiana University Robert H. McKinney School of Law
- B.L., Nigerian Law School
- LL.B., Ebonyi State University, Abakaliki

Admissions

- Missouri
- Illinois