# **JOHN OKEBIE**

### **ARTICLING CANDIDATE**

Internationally trained law graduate, trained in England and Canada and pursuing qualification in Canada, with 8+ years' experience working in government, and 6+ years' experience in software systems support roles in Canada and the United States. Passionate about protecting the public, upholding the law, corporate law, Emerging Technologies, AI, Health, Ethics and the Law and human rights for all, with broad academic training in corporate, technology, ethics, and Family Law, in addition to management, conflict resolution, and leadership. Fluent in English and French.

#### **EDUCATION**

| Practice Readiness Education Program (PREP), CPLED                               | Enroll in May 2024 |
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| NCA Certificate of Qualification (CQ), Federation of Law Society of Canada       | Aug. 2023          |
| Master of Laws (LL.M), Osgoode Hall Law School, York University Toronto          | 2023               |
| Master of Laws (LL.M), Queen Mary Law School, Queen Mary University of London, U | К 2022             |
| Bachelor of Laws (LL.B), Essex Law School, University of Essex, Colchester, UK   | 2020               |
| Master of Science (M.Sc), London South Bank University Southwark , London, UK    | 2009               |
| Bachelor of Science (B.Sc), Computer Science, Imo State University, Nigeria      | 2005               |

#### **EXPERIENCE**

#### Government of the Northwest Territories, Inuvik

Dec 2015 - Present

Worked across several professional roles with the government of the Northwest territories with the health and social Services Authority from a developer through supervisory and Mid Management positions.

#### Lead, Information and Communication Technologies (Feb 2020 - Present)

Reporting to the Director Health Informatics, provided supervisory support to Senior systems Analysts and other health informatics and application developers across the territory. Managed key vital performance indicators conducted interviews and hired value resources needed on projects. Managed junior teams.

- Engaged in the hiring process of new developers and systems analysts and made hiring recommendations.
- Oversaw the smooth working of all health applications within the Beaufort delta region of the NWT and across the Territories.
- Developed and researched cybersecurity needs for IT systems and health applications and made recommendations to Senior Management.
- Worked with and trained Junior Analysts and Developers and provided insights into Agile processes for improved project management and deployment.
- Followed through with project compliance requirements- regulatory, Technical and process needed through a software project cycle.

#### **Computer Services Coordinator** (Nov 2018 – Jan 2020)

- Ensured the smooth running of Health applications and IT systems within the Region.
- Coordinated service deployment and maintenance work with Vendors including systems reviews,

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version revisions and upgrades.

• Developed modules for health applications and communicated systems deficiencies and feedback to vendors for versions and software systems Improvements.

## Senior System Analyst (Dec 2015 - Oct 2018)

Reporting to the Manager Health Information systems. Managed and deployed software and Hardware administration of several Virtual Servers and systems across the Territories.

- Extracted, analyzed and reported needed data from various MS SQL and Oracle Databases.
- Developed and deployed server scripts and patches for server hardening, security implementations, tasks and process automations.
- Performed systems Migration functions for Health software systems.

#### John Deere LLC North America, Moines Iowa US, Edmonton Alberta (Jan 2013 - Nov 2015)

#### Lead Systems Engineer, Systems Engineering - Robotics and IT Systems

Planned and managed various manufacturing line Robotic systems for John Deere North America (worked in the States and Canada. Ensure that these product line systems are programmed with precision for safety and controls to ensure final products meet warranty standards as guaranteed by John Deere.

- Developed and implemented software scripts for product line robotic controls.
- Developed cost-effective and efficient processes for system precision and functionality optimization.

#### Glaxo SmithKline Inc, Canada, Toronto and Montreal

Jan. 2010 – Dec. 2012

#### Lead, Software Projects Analyst (Apr 2011 – Dec 2012)

- Managed team of developers and worked for project change updates with the PMO Office.
- Set tasks and development goals for the project team working with business analysts and project managers.
- Meet and reviewed software projects cycles, requirements and changes with design, implementation and other teams.
- Planned out blueprints for software projects, including defining the scope, allocating resources, setting deadlines, laying out communication strategies, and indicating tests and maintenance.
- Ensured projects stayed on schedule and adheres to the deadlines.
- Liaised with clients and project teams and discussed potential projects and their parameters with clients, executives, and software development teams.
- Saw projects through from start through closure and post department, client and user support. Supported feedbacks and changes as needed.

#### Software Developer (Jan 2010 – Mar 2011)

Developed software systems for most of the research teams at Glaxo SmithKline. Started off as a junior developer and eventually trained to develop software for various oncology research teams with the company. Most of the scripting and software systems were based on ongoing research projects and for the most part on cancer research in partnership with other developments teams across Europe.

- Wrote documentation for new and updated software.
- Designed wrote, read, tested, and corrected code for new and legacy software.
- Collaborated with departments to determine the scope and expectation of software development projects.

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# VOLUNTEERING

QLegal Queen Mary UoL, Student Pro Bono Legal Services, London, EnglandJul 2021 – Jul 2022Inuvik Justice Committee, Board Member and Legal Mediation Services, Inuvik, NT Jul 2023 – Present

## **PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS**

**Project Management Institute (PMI)**: Active Member of the Project Management Institute since 2014. **The Institution of Engineering and Technology**: Member **MIET** since 2012.

Gray's Inn: Student Member since 2021 of the Inns of Court, London, England.

#### **PUBLICATIONS**

**Potentials and Effectiveness of the Tort of Deceit in Addressing Paternity Fraud Issues** (April 27, 2021). Queen Mary Law Research Paper No. 358/2021, Available at SSRN: https://ssrn.com/abstract=3834920.

**Legal Professional Privilege and Cybersecurity Breach in Context: A Comparative Law Analysis** (January 27, 2021). Queen Mary Law Research Paper No. 350/2021, Abstract=3774502.

#### **INTERESTS**

Chess: Play with friends and family during holidays and free time.

**Travel**: Enjoy travelling for research and pleasure including legal system, food, culture, history, social norms, economy, and politics. Widely traveled across Europe during studies, Africa and Asia.

Reading: Enjoy fiction and science-based texts. Also Interested in books about law, Ethics and AI systems.