

THE CATHOLIC UNIVERSITY OF EASTERN AFRICA



FACULTY OF LAW

DEPARTMENT OF CONTINUING PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT PROJECTS AND RESEARCH

NOTICE OF SEMINAR ON ELECTORAL LAW AND PRACTICE

(2nd 3rd and 4th October 2017)

JURISPRUDENCE, PRACTICES, PROCESSES, AND PROCEDURES IN THE ELECTION COURTS

(A case study of the NASA 2017 Presidential Election Petition)

2 LSK CLE POINTS

VENUE: LRC CATHOLIC UNIVERSITY. LANGATA SOUTH ROAD KAREN

YOUR INVESTMENT: KSHS 27,840.00 (SUBSIDISED)

ABOUT THE SEMINAR

Election Petitions have a unique legal regime and present unique challenges for legal practitioners and other stakeholders in the electoral process. A mastery of the dos and don'ts is non-negotiable for legal practitioners in this potentially lucrative practice area and helpful for the stakeholders in the electoral process. This seminar offers a unique opportunity for delegates to interact with those who were directly and indirectly involved the petition as parties or their agents, counsel, background technical support teams, observers, as well as managers of the election itself in a politically neutral environment specifically designed to facilitate frank and sober sharing of experiences within the confines of ethical obligations.

Using the NASA Presidential Election Petition (2017) as a case study, this seminar explores the A to Z of a typical election petition. The grounds upon which an election petition may be filed and allowed are explored and the strategic issues to bear in mind considered. The practices, processes and procedures are reviewed in the context of decided cases, text writer's opinions and actual experiences by practitioners. The emerging jurisprudence is reviewed to establish trends and patterns and the lessons learnt used to project future scenarios. The pleadings in the case and the evidence in support are reviewed and

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analyzed, the court presentations reviewed, the determination discussed and lessons learnt distilled in an atmosphere of intellectual neutrality and robust peer review.

SEMINAR OBJECTIVES

At the end of the seminar, it is expected that the delegates will be able to

1. **Advice** on the prospects of an election petition
2. **Develop** a litigation strategy for an election petition
3. **Prepare** legally sound pleadings in an election petition
4. **Present** and oppose an election petition
5. **Determine** the cost an election petition
6. **Summarise** the jurisprudence (on election petitions) emerging from the courts
7. **Navigate** the legal and political minefields of election petitions

COURSE FACILLITATORS

A team of experts and practitioners in electoral law make short but intensive background presentations and analysis of the legal position followed by experience sharing from representatives of the Judiciary, IEBC, PPDT, Civil Society and counsel who directly participated in the petition.

WHO SHOULD ATTEND

This seminar is partially sponsored. Accordingly it has been designed with the young legal practitioner in mind. Priority will accordingly be given to advocates who have practiced for 5 years and below. Only 5 out of the 30 places available are reserved for senior lawyers for purposes of experience sharing. **Non lawyers with an interest in electoral law are especially encouraged to attend.**

CUEA Alumni

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Application Procedure

Application: Application forms may be obtained from the **Catholic University of Eastern Africa Langata Campus (Registry)** or downloaded from the www.cuea.edu.

Duly completed application forms or confirmation of attendance should be submitted TO CUEA CPD hard copy or by email one week before the course begins to facilitate adequate pre-course interaction between the course organizers and the participants.

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