



NIGERIAN BAR ASSOCIATION

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29th May 2020

To: All Branch Chairmen

COMPLIANCE WITH THE NIGERIAN BAR ASSOCIATION UNIFORM BYE-LAWS FOR BRANCHES IN THE BRANCH ELECTIONS SCHEDULED FOR JUNE 2020

The election into branch offices of **76 branches** of the Nigerian Bar Association (NBA) will hold in the month of June 2020. **Article 10(3)(b) of the Uniform Bye-laws of the NBA Constitution 2015 (as amended)** provides for the setting of Election Committees by the affected branches. Attached is the list affected branches.

The affected branches are to forward the names of members of the Election Committee to grace.igyo@nigerianbar.org.ng and taidi.jonathan@nigerianbar.org.ng not later than 4th June 2020.

THE OFFICES OF THE BRANCH TO BE CONTESTED FOR ARE :

- a. Chairman
- b. Vice-Chairman
- c. Secretary
- d. Assistant Secretary
- e. Treasurer
- f. Financial Secretary
- g. Social Secretary
- h. Publicity Secretary
- i. Welfare Secretary
- j. Legal Adviser
- k. Provost

NATIONAL EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE REPRESENTATIVE

In addition to the branch elected officers, each Branch shall, during its general election, elect a Branch National Executive Committee Representative, from among the two preceding past Chairmen and Vice- Chairmen, who shall represent the Branch at the National Executive Committee Meetings of the Association.

NATIONAL OFFICERS:

Paul Usoro, SAN President;

Jonathan Gunu Taidi, General Secretary; Imo Stanley Chidozie, 1st Vice President; Dr. Dada Foluke Olayemi, 2nd Vice President; Igba Theophilus, 3rd Vice President; Banke Victoria Olagbegi-Oloba, Treasurer; Anosike Elias Emeka, Financial Secretary; Eze Nnamdi Innocent, Legal Adviser; Edun Olukunle, Publicity Secretary; Usman Joshua Enemali, Welfare Secretary; Ewenode William Onoriode, 1st Assistant Secretary; Obasi Chinyere Gladys, 2nd Assistant Secretary; Pepple Inlobong Irene, Assistant Financial Secretary; Lawal Akorede Habeeb, Assistant Publicity Secretary

DISQUALIFICATION

Article 6 (3) of the Uniform Bye-Laws provide that *No member of the Branch shall occupy the same office for more than two (2) years (one term); and any member who has held elective offices as a Branch officer for two (2) terms shall not be eligible to contest for a Branch office until at least five (5) years after his/her last term of office.*

ELIGIBILITY

Article 15 of the Bye-Laws provides that to be eligible to stand for election into an office, a member must:

1. *Be validly nominated in writing by two members who are eligible to vote herein and who must themselves be qualified for the particular office as provided for in these By-Laws;*
2. *Have attended a minimum of five (5) monthly meetings of the Branch within the twelve (12) months prior to the close of nominations for the election;*
3. *Attain the post-enrolment qualification requirement for the affected office as at the date of the election as follows:*
 - a. *Chairman and Vice-Chairman, ten (10) years;*
 - b. *Secretary, Treasurer, Financial Secretary, Social Secretary, Publicity Secretary, Welfare Secretary, Legal Adviser and Provost, eight (8) years;*
 - c. *Assistant Secretary, five (5) years;*
 - d. *National Executive Committee Representative- the two preceding past Chairmen and Vice- Chairmen;*
4. *Be a financial member of the Branch and shall have paid his/ her bar practicing fees and annual branch dues as and when due for at least the three (3) years preceding the election or since enrolment, if less than three (3) years post-call, and must be in legal practice.*

NOMINATION

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TIME FOR THE CONDUCT OF THE ELECTION:

Article 10(3)(b) of the Uniform Bye-laws provides that *the Election Committee shall make arrangements for election of officers of the Branch in the month of June. The elections for this year shall not be held earlier or later than June, 2020.*

Waiver or modification of the Uniform Bye-Laws is not permitted or allowed. Therefore, the extant provisions of the Uniform Bye-Laws must be complied with strictly.

For avoidance of doubt, the National Secretariat shall treat as void the election of anyone which is in contravention of the provisions of the Uniform Bye-Laws.

Remain assured of our highest professional regards.

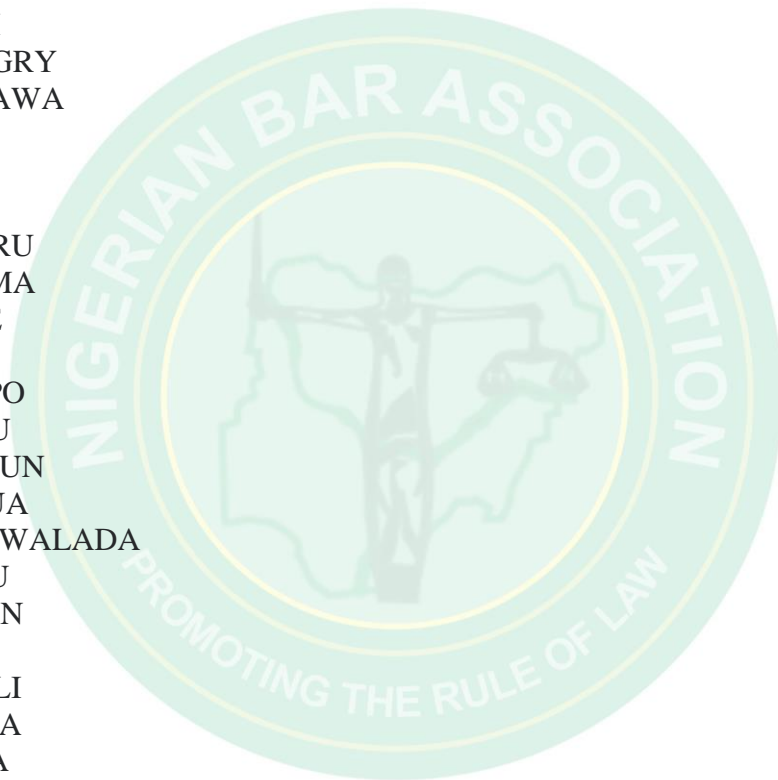


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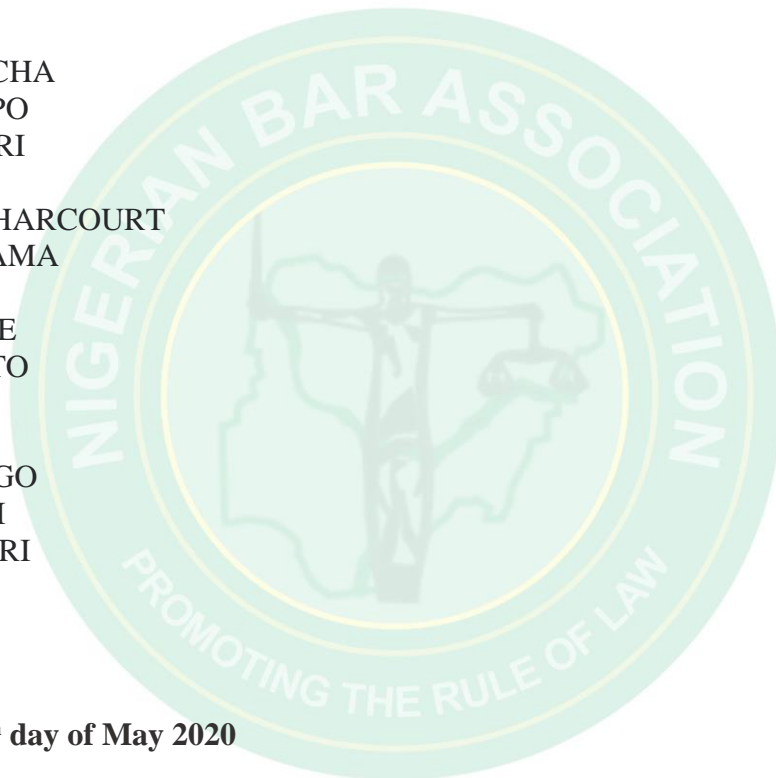


NBA BRANCHES DUE FOR ELECTION IN JUNE 2020

1. ABEOKUTA
2. ABUJA
3. ADO-EKITI
4. AGBOR
5. AGUATA
6. AKURE
7. ANAOCHA
8. ASABA
9. AUCHI
10. BADAGRY
11. BARNAWA
12. BENIN
13. BIU
14. BORI
15. BUKURU
16. DEGEMA
17. DUTSE
18. EKET
19. ISIOKPO
20. ENUGU
21. EFFURUN
22. FUNTUA
23. GWAGWALADA
24. GUSAU
25. IBADAN
26. IDAH
27. IDEMILI
28. IGARRA
29. IHIALA
30. IKEJA
31. IKIRUN
32. IKORODU
33. IKOLE-EKITI
34. IKERE- EKITI
35. IKOM
36. ILE- IFE
37. ISIALA-NGWA
38. IWO
39. JALINGO
40. JOS
41. KABBA
42. KANO
43. KATSINA
44. KEBBI
45. KEFFI
46. LAFIA
47. MAIDUGURI



48. MAKURDI
49. MINNA
50. MUBI
51. NNEWI
52. OBOLLO AFOR
53. OFFA
54. OGOJA
55. OHAFIA
56. OKIGWE
57. OLEH
58. ONITSHA
59. ORON
60. OTTA
61. OTUOCHA
62. OTUKPO
63. OWERRI
64. OWO
65. PORT HARCOURT
66. SAGBAMA
67. SAKI
68. SAPELE
69. SOKOTO
70. UDU
71. UKWA
72. UNGOGO
73. WARRI
74. WUKARI
75. YOLA
76. ZARIA



Dated this 29th day of May 2020

**Jonathan Gunu Taidi, Esq.
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For the avoidance of doubt any or all branch officers elected in contravention of the provisions of the Uniform Bye-Laws shall be void.

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