



Sabo's LAWYERS

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Executive Summary

Sabo's lawyers is a Papua New Guinean law firm. The Firm aims to provide sound commercial law advisory services to the local Papua New Guinea businesses, targeting SMEs and PNGean owned companies.

Vision

To provide seamless commercial legal advice for clients.

Mission

- To be the reliable and trusted local commercial firm in Papua New Guinea.
- To train young Papua New Guinean lawyers to be successful Commercial Lawyers.

Capacity

Lucy Sabo-Kelis is the Principal she practices commercial law and has also been employed as Board Secretary/Company Secretary for large organizations in the Country. She has had experience from both the Private Sector and the Public Sector.

She has more than 15 years of Commercial Law experience.

The firm will be employing more lawyers when the need arises.

Services Offered

The firm offers legal services especially in Commercial law, but specializing in the following areas;

- Mining Laws;
- Employment law ;
- Government and State Owned Entities;
- Insolvency;
- Property;
- Wills and Estates;
- Commercial Litigation;
- Insurance;
- Corporate Advisory;
- Due Diligence;
- Legislative Drafting; and,
- Regulatory and Compliance Issues.

The Principal's Qualification and Experience

The Principal holds a Bachelor of Law degree from the University of Papua New Guinea and is admitted to the bar in the Supreme and National Court of Papua New Guinea.

She also holds a Post Graduate Diploma in Legislative Drafting from the University of South Pacific, Suva, Fiji, a course offered under the Commonwealth of Learning.

Professional Development

Year	Institution	
2013	Australian Institute of Directors – Sydney, NSW	Australian Company Directors Course, Sydney, Australia
29 November 2010 – 10 December 2010	Japan International Corporation Agency(JICA), Japan Tender and Procurement Course	Japanese ODA Loan Seminar, Organized by JICA under the international corporation program of the Government of Japan
12 -20 November 2009	Central Operations Services Desk, Asian Development Bank(ADB)	Regional Seminar on Project Implementation and Administration (Consulting and Procurement Component), held in Port Moresby
8 February – 6 April 2005	Institute of Womens Studies, St Scholarstica's College, Philippines	Intercultural Course on Women and Society
September 2004	University of Papua New Guinea	Introduction to University Teaching Course

The Principal's Commercial/Corporate Law Experience

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Legal Consultancy Services

Lihir Gold Limited (a member of the Newcrest Group of Companies)

Provided the legal guidance as the Strategic Agreements Adviser on the Lihir Gold Limited's Compensation Agreements Review (LAR).

Provided the legal advice and guidance for the other advisers on the review team, on Relocation and Resettlement, and Compensation.

Currently provide legal advice during the meetings between the LGL and the Landholders.

PNG DataCo PNG Limited

Provide the consultancy Services to PNG DataCO on its set up, incorporation and review of all its Agreements/Contracts on its projects.

Reviewed all its Agreements on the Coral Sea Cable System.

Steamships Trading Company Ltd

Provided consultancy services to Steamships assisting with due diligence on its property titles which required a full understanding of the workings of the Lands Office and all relevant Lands legislation.

WR Carpenter Limited

Provided day to day advice whenever instructed.

KUMUL CONSOLIDATED HOLDINGS

2016-

2017

Legal Officer/Board Secretary

Provided the services as the Board Secretary and provided legal advice to the Board and Management.

WR CAPENTER LIMITED

Company Lawyer/Secretary

2012-

2015

- In this position I provide general legal counsel for the WR Carpenter (PNG) Group of Companies and also provide the company secretarial services for the group. My tasks include, reviewing of all services Agreements such as Exclusive

Distributor Agreements for Isuzu and Kia for Boroko Motors, Leases, Banking Facilities for the Group of Companies, and others contracts and agreements for each of the companies before I approve for execution by the Directors.

- I negotiate with third parties on a settlement for claims against the companies, provide appropriate reply to letters on demand or claims against the companies, and draft Lease Agreements and other Contracts/Agreements needed for services or goods with third parties.
- I also attend Court for litigation matters especially for debt collection at District/National Courts, which includes draft court documents for litigation on debt collecting and Defence on Employment issues especially, liaise with law firms on litigation matters for all the companies.
- Provide overall company secretarial work for all the companies (22 companies), which includes a Fijian company and provide company secretarial work for Vanuatu and Solomon Islands companies too. Provide the relevant compliance for the local companies as stipulated under the *Investment Promotion Authority Act* and *Companies Act 1997*.

INDEPENDENT PUBLIC BUSINESS OF PNG (IPBC)

2008-

2012

Legal Officer/Board Secretary

- In this position I assist the Principal Legal Officer on the day to day requirements of the Legal Services Unit of the IPBC in protecting the interests of IPBC in particular its investments in the various multi million kina projects, especially the PNG LNG, the Port Moresby Sewerage Project and the Lae Port Development Project and two recent proposed projects which include the National Broadband project and Electricity Project.
- I provide the searches and researches necessary for legal opinions to the Minister of Public Enterprise and the Management of IPBC and the Managing Director of IPBC.
- I appear as the Counsel before the Courts for and on behalf of IPBC where proceedings have been filed against IPBC and or SOEs and other entities such as Pacific Finance Limited and Investment Corporation of Papua New Guinea ("*ICPNG*") that are vested on IPBC.

PETER ALLAN LOWING LAWYERS

2006-

2008

Commercial Lawyer

- As a commercial lawyer with the Peter Allan Lowing Lawyers, I acted for the Vendors and Purchasers in Contract for Sale – Property Law, draft advice for Insurance Companies, and negotiate insurance claims settlements on behalf of the Insurance Companies and draft advice to the Central Bank on the Review of the new Insurance Laws and their effectiveness in PNG.
- I was also in charge of preparing Annual Reports to be lodged at the Mineral Resources Authority for mining companies which the firm acted as agent and attend on the Share Sale and Business for various companies on instructions and

- further attendance on the sale of shares and restructuring of various other companies.
- Further and more specifically I assisted on the Sale of Shares of Eda Oil Limited to Petromin Ltd from Mineral Resources Development Corporation of PNG ('MRDC') held in trust, representing MRDC and I attended to the on Sale of Shares in Tabubil Engineering to Mineral Resources Star Mountains Limited and attendance on Sale of Shares of Mineral Resources Lihir Ltd ('MRL') held in trust by MRDC to be held wholly by A'Gorlam Ltd in MRL, attendance to restructuring of the MRL and incorporation of A'Gorlam Ltd. I also provided advice to clients on the Employment Law. And I was also asked with looking after company files of Overseas and PNG Companies to comply with the *Companies Act* 1997 and Investment Promotion Act, requirements. And finally one of the tasks enjoyed the most and a first experience for me was to conduct Due Diligence Report for Ramu Nico Management Limited for listings on the Shanghai Stock Market, China and for Marengo Mining Limited for listing on the Port Moresby Stock Exchange.
 - In working on this task I acquired skills in drafting and negotiating of terms of agreements and what is best for the clients.

Activities and Affiliations

Memberships

Papua New Guinea Law Society

Community Involvement

-Director of WeCare Foundation

-Member of the Catholic Professionals

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