



Susan Clayton

Sue Clayton is an associate at one of Zambia's premier commercial law firms, Corpus Legal Practitioners, working in the Corporate Advisory Department.

She works closely with the corporate advisory partner on some corporate matters and has submitted to parliament and the companies registry on the Companies Act, 2017. Sue also takes on some family law matters, encouraging amicable child arrangements and fair clean-break financial settlements.

From October 2016 to February 2021, Sue was seconded to manage Corpus Globe Corporate Solutions, a comprehensive company secretarial and immigration business; she has now transitioned into consultancy to manage development of the legal team there. Her team delivers business set-up, compliance and corporate governance services to diverse clients across banking, ICT, mining, agriculture, energy and health, from multinationals to regional investors, local entrepreneurs and NGOs. Immigration consultancy and non-resident tax agency are increasingly important add-ons.

Sue and her team have worked hard, together with their clients and the companies registry, to navigate the challenges posed by the extensive beneficial ownership disclosure required in Zambia since 2018 under the Companies Act. Also, the Corpus immigration team has a track record in successful permitting applications, driven by a clear understanding of the new Employment Code Act and constructive engagement with the immigration department.

Sue has a keen interest in nature conservation and is the secretary of BirdWatch Zambia, the Birdlife International partner for Zambia. She has been an election monitor for the Law Association of Zambia in the last two general elections in Zambia, in 2016 and August 2021, documenting the electoral process on the ground on election day and this year, at a constituency results centre.

After graduating in 2005, Sue worked under Wynter Kabimba for much of 10 years, while also completing further law studies at University of Zambia to obtain admittance to the legal practice course. Sue learned all things litigation and lawyerly from Wynter, one-time secretary general of the Patriotic Front and Minister of Justice, but also a well-respected litigator, particularly in public law. She substantially contributed to several successful judicial review cases. Sue was born and raised in Zambia where she has raised her own family. Her mother is from Northern Ireland, her father was from England. She has also lived in Seychelles, UK, South Africa and Botswana. She was educated in South Africa, obtained her English LLB Hons by distance learning, and came rather late to the Bar, in Zambia in 2016.

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