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THE TRADITION CONTINUES: CELEBRATING OUR NEW WARRIORS AT THE BAR

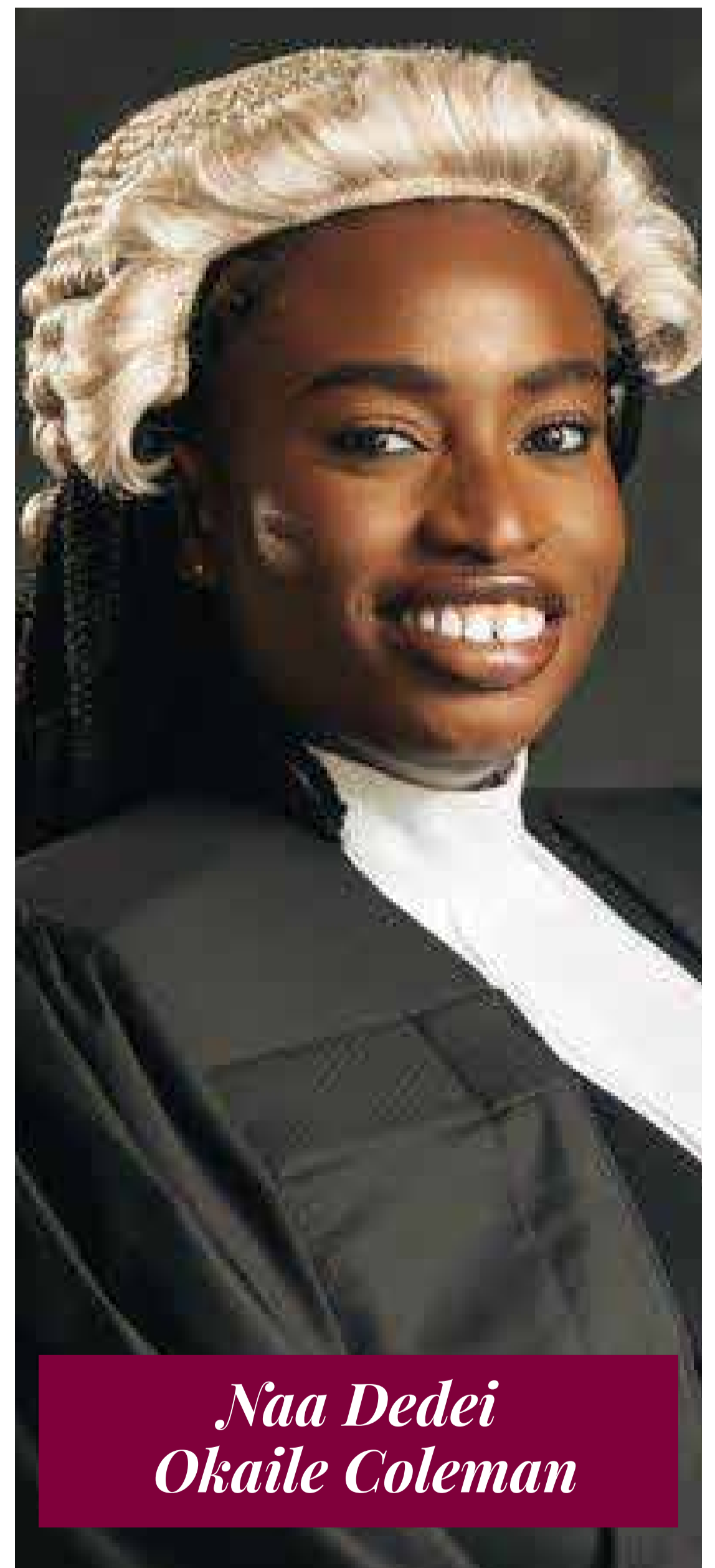
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EDITORIAL INSIGHTS: A GLIMPSE INSIDE

The Tradition That Defines Us



Every October, a familiar rhythm returns to our halls, one marked by joy, reflection, and quiet pride. It's the season when the wigs are dusted off, the gowns pressed, and our hearts swell with the reminder that tradition still matters.

At Kimathi & Partners, the Call to the Bar has become more than an annual event; it is a reaffirmation of who we are and what we stand for. Each new lawyer called to the Bar is not merely an individual success story, but a continuation of a legacy of mentorship, excellence, and faith in purpose.

This year, as we celebrated Abigail Dedo Kpabitey, Samuel Gyekye-Fosu, and Naa Dedei Okaile Coleman, we weren't just applauding three new advocates. We were celebrating courage in the face of long nights, humility through learning, and faith that sustained them when the path grew uncertain. Their triumphs remind us that greatness is not born in comfort, but in perseverance.

The stories they shared, of grace, gratitude, and grit, echo the spirit that defines every "Warrior" in our family. And as The Lounge Insider humorously reminded us, the pride was collective which expands from the ceremonial stage at the Accra International Conference Centre to the buzzing hallways of

our office.

Beyond celebration, this moment also calls us to reflection. The Call to the Bar is not an endpoint but a new beginning: a reminder that our profession demands more than sharp intellects; it calls for integrity, empathy, and service. As Acting Chief Justice Paul Baffoe-Bonnie noted during the ceremony, the true measure of a lawyer lies not in advocacy alone, but in the character that upholds justice when no one is watching.

This issue of The Happy Warrior captures that essence: from our "Tech Clinic" that reinforces professional vigilance in a digital age, to our "Why" column that invites us to rediscover the purpose behind our work. Together, they remind us that being a lawyer is not merely about law; it's about life lived with discipline, service, and meaning.

As we begin another legal year, let us carry forward this spirit. Let us celebrate not only achievement but growth. Let us protect not only our clients but our integrity. And let us remember that excellence, for us, is not a goal but a way of life.

The tradition continues, and with each new warrior, it shines brighter.



The Tradition Continues: *Celebrating Our New Warriors at the Bar*

BY *Elliot Ocloo*



At Kimathi & Partners, it has become a cherished tradition to celebrate every one of our interns who successfully pass the Bar exams and are called to the Ghana Bar. Each year, this proud moment reminds us of the essence of our collective journey – the blend of hard work, discipline, mentorship, and divine grace that defines who we are as a firm.

This year, we rejoice with Abigail, Naa Dedei, and Samuel, three brilliant minds who have fought the good fight, completed the rigorous path to the Bar, and emerged as true warriors. Their success is not only a personal triumph but also a reflection of the spirit of excellence, grit, and purpose that Kimathi & Partners stands for.

In their time with us, these young lawyers demonstrated unwavering dedication, humility, and a genuine passion for the law. They were not only eager learners but also valuable contributors to our work, embodying the firm's core values of thoughtfulness, responsiveness, and relentless pursuit of excellence. Their journey is proof that with perseverance, integrity, and faith, nothing is beyond reach.

When asked how the journey to the Bar has been and how they feel at this point, each of them reflected on the experience with depth and gratitude.

For Abigail, the journey was both humbling and transformative:

“There were moments of uncertainty, long nights, and difficult days, but grace saw me through. Being called to the Bar is not just the fulfillment of a dream – it is the beginning of a greater responsibility to serve with integrity and excellence.”

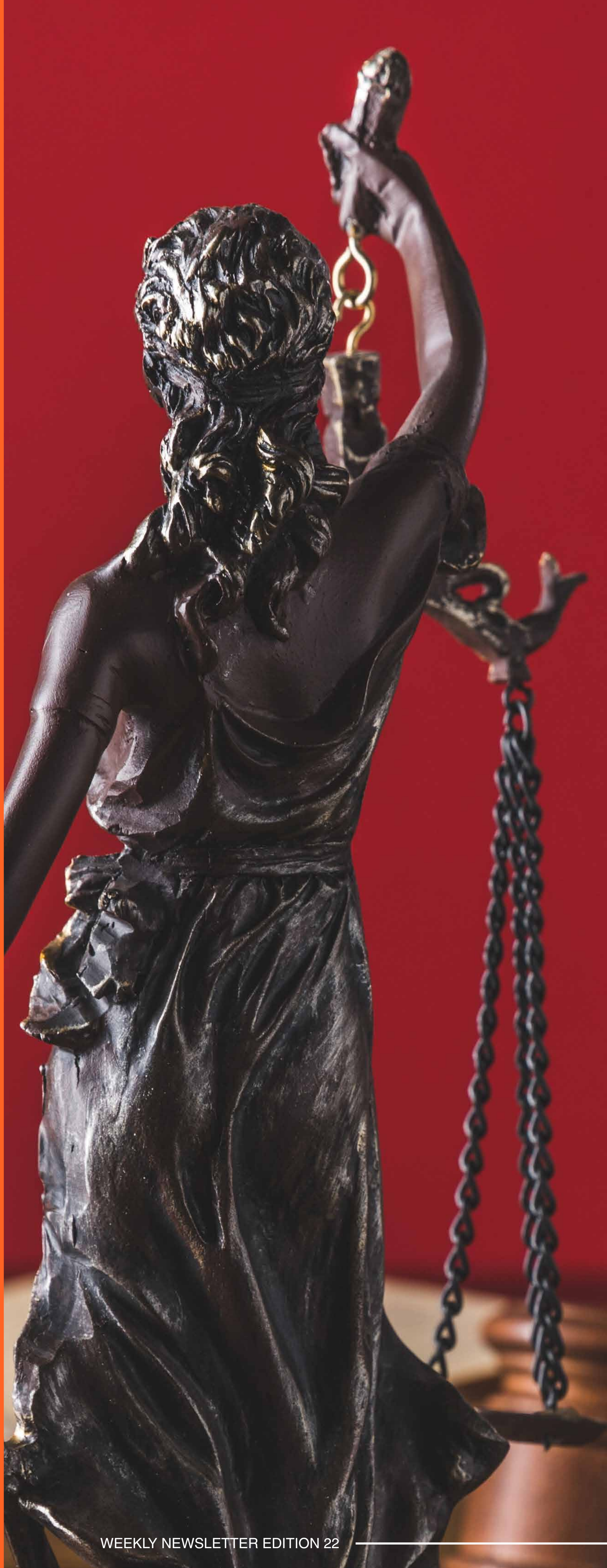
For Samuel, it was a lesson
in growth and gratitude:

“I am grateful to God, my family, and the Kimathi & Partners family for believing in me. The journey was demanding, but every challenge refined me and prepared me for the noble responsibility that lies ahead.”

A portrait of Naa Dedei, a Black woman with long, dark, braided hair. She is wearing a dark blue blazer over a dark top. The background is a dark, solid color. The image is framed by a colorful, abstract border on the left and right sides.

And for Naa Dedei, the experience was one of faith and endurance:

“This journey has strengthened my faith and taught me resilience. I’m deeply grateful for the mentorship and encouragement I received at Kimathi & Partners. This call reminds me that hard work truly pays off – but only when guided by purpose and perseverance.”



Their reflections capture what we stand for as a firm — resilience, faith, and the courage to keep pushing forward, no matter the odds.

As they don their wigs and gowns, we celebrate them not just for the milestone achieved but for the promise they carry. The call to the Bar is both an honour and a responsibility — a call to serve, to uphold justice, and to stand for what is right even when it is difficult. We are confident that Abigail, Naa Dedei, and Samuel will rise to this calling with the same grace and courage that brought them this far.

At Kimathi & Partners, we do not just produce lawyers; we nurture principled advocates who embody resilience, excellence, and faith. Our new warriors at the Bar have done us proud, and they have every reason to be proud of themselves.

As they embark on this new chapter of their professional lives, we wish them wisdom, integrity, and the continual guidance of God. May His blessings bring out the best in them — for their growth and for the collective success of our great firm.

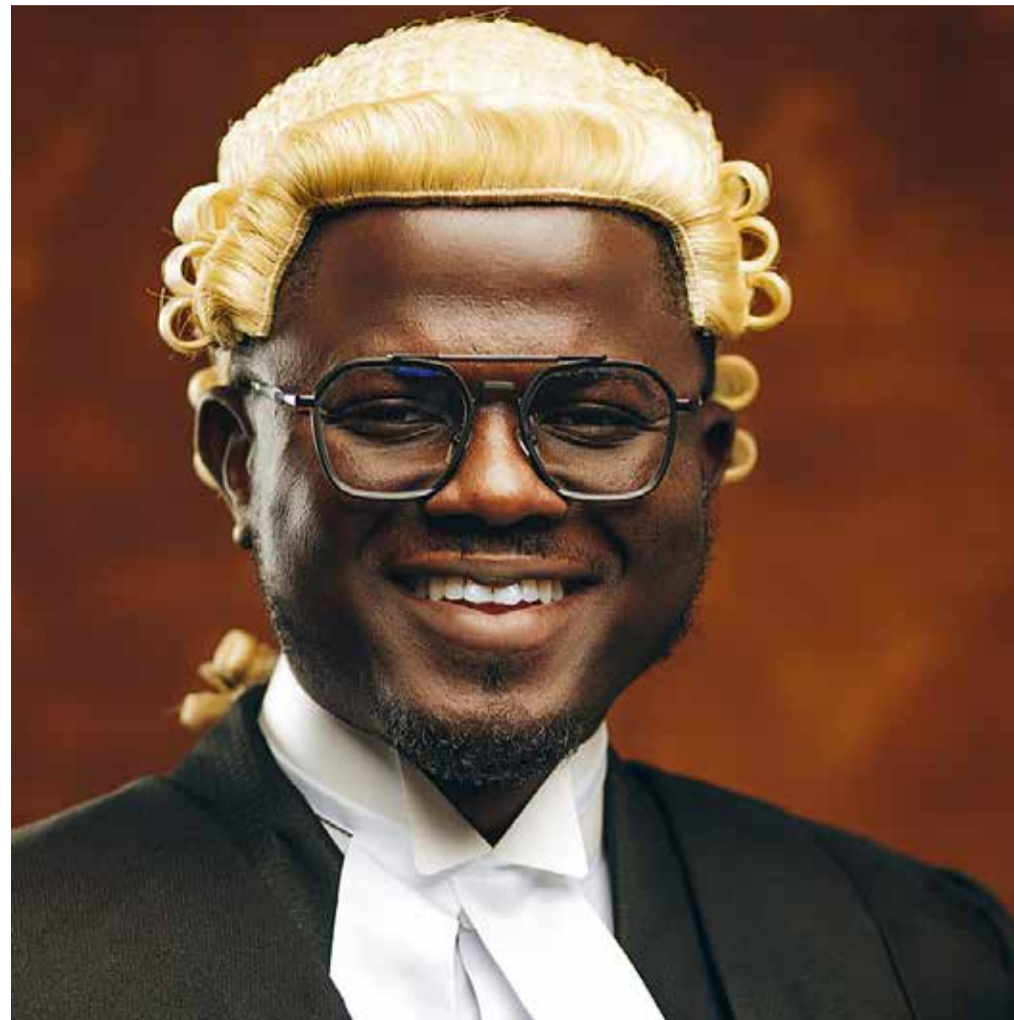
The tradition lives on. The torch of excellence burns ever brighter. And as we celebrate this new generation of lawyers, we are reminded that at Kimathi & Partners, greatness is not a destination — it is a way of life.

Three Warriors Called to the Bar

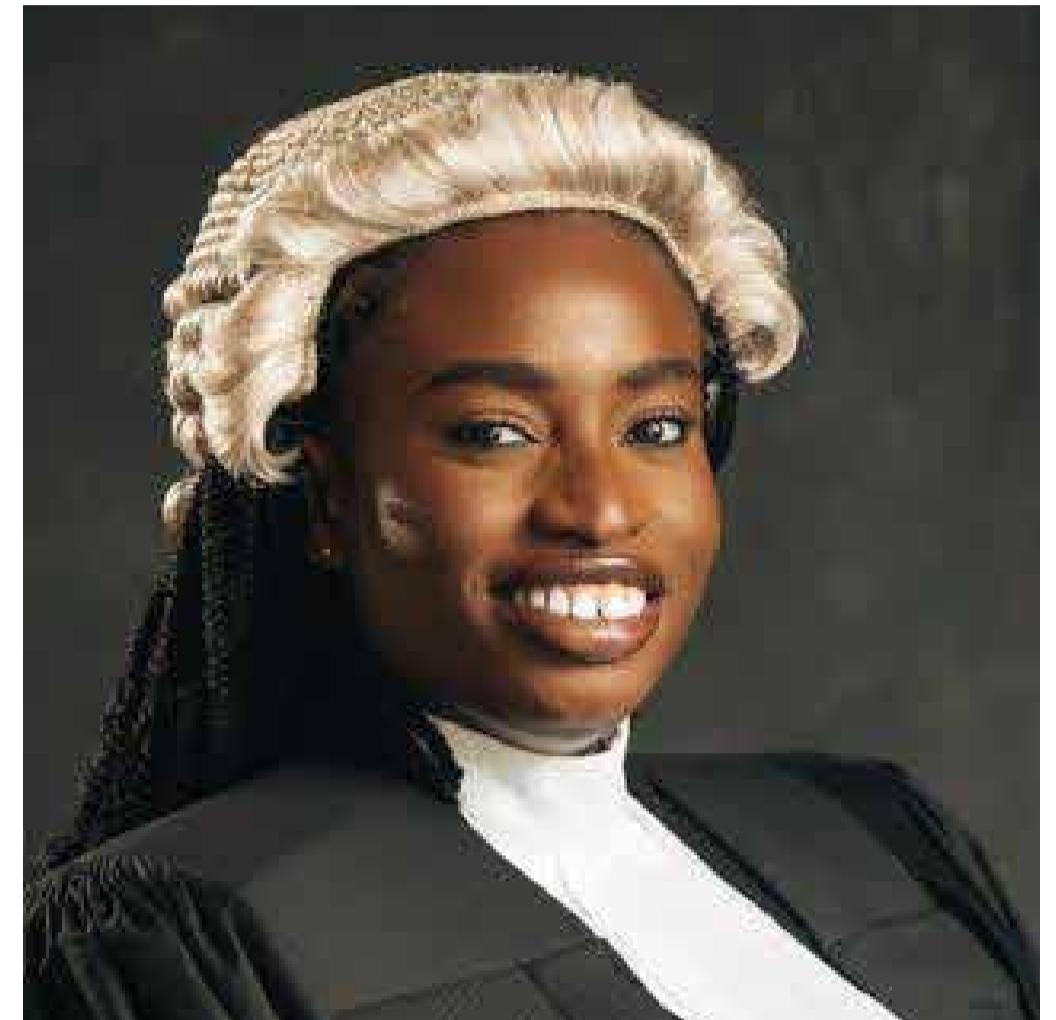
BY *The Newsletter Team*



Abigail Dedo Kpabitey



Samuel Gyekye-Fosu



Naa Dedei Okaile Coleman

On Friday, 10th October 2025, the Accra International Conference Centre hosted the prestigious Call to the Bar Ceremony, where 824 Lawyers-in-Waiting were officially enrolled as Barristers and Solicitors of the Supreme Court of Ghana.

Among this distinguished cohort were three of our very own, Abigail Dedo Kpabitey, Samuel Gyekye-Fosu, and Naa Dedei Okailé Coleman, who have now joined the noble ranks of Ghana's legal fraternity. Their achievement marks not only a personal triumph but also a moment of immense pride for our entire community.

This year's ceremony, presided over by Acting Chief Justice Paul Baffoe-Bonnie, was attended by eminent members of the Bench and Bar, including Supreme Court Justice Avril Lovelace-Johnson, the Attorney General Dr. Dominic Ayine, the Deputy Attorney General Dr. Justice Srem-Sai, the Director of Legal Education Prof. Raymond Atuguba, and the President of the Ghana Bar Association, Efua Gharthey.

The 2025 Call to the Bar was remarkable not only for its size but also for its diversity and symbolism. Among the newly qualified

lawyers were several media practitioners, six persons with disabilities, and even an international inductee, Paul Chen, a Chinese-born entrepreneur based in Kumasi, highlighting the inclusive and evolving character of Ghana's legal education system.

In his keynote address, Acting Chief Justice Baffoe-Bonnie urged the new lawyers to uphold the highest standards of integrity, service, and justice, reminding them that the true measure of a lawyer lies not only in advocacy but also in ethical leadership and compassion for the vulnerable.

For Abigail, Samuel, and Naa Dedei, this milestone is the culmination of years of hard work, resilience, and intellectual dedication. Their success embodies the Warrior spirit – bold in pursuit, steady in discipline, and unwavering in purpose.

We celebrate them with great pride and confidence, knowing they will continue to distinguish themselves as torchbearers of excellence, professionalism, and justice.

Congratulations, Warriors, the Bar is yours to conquer!

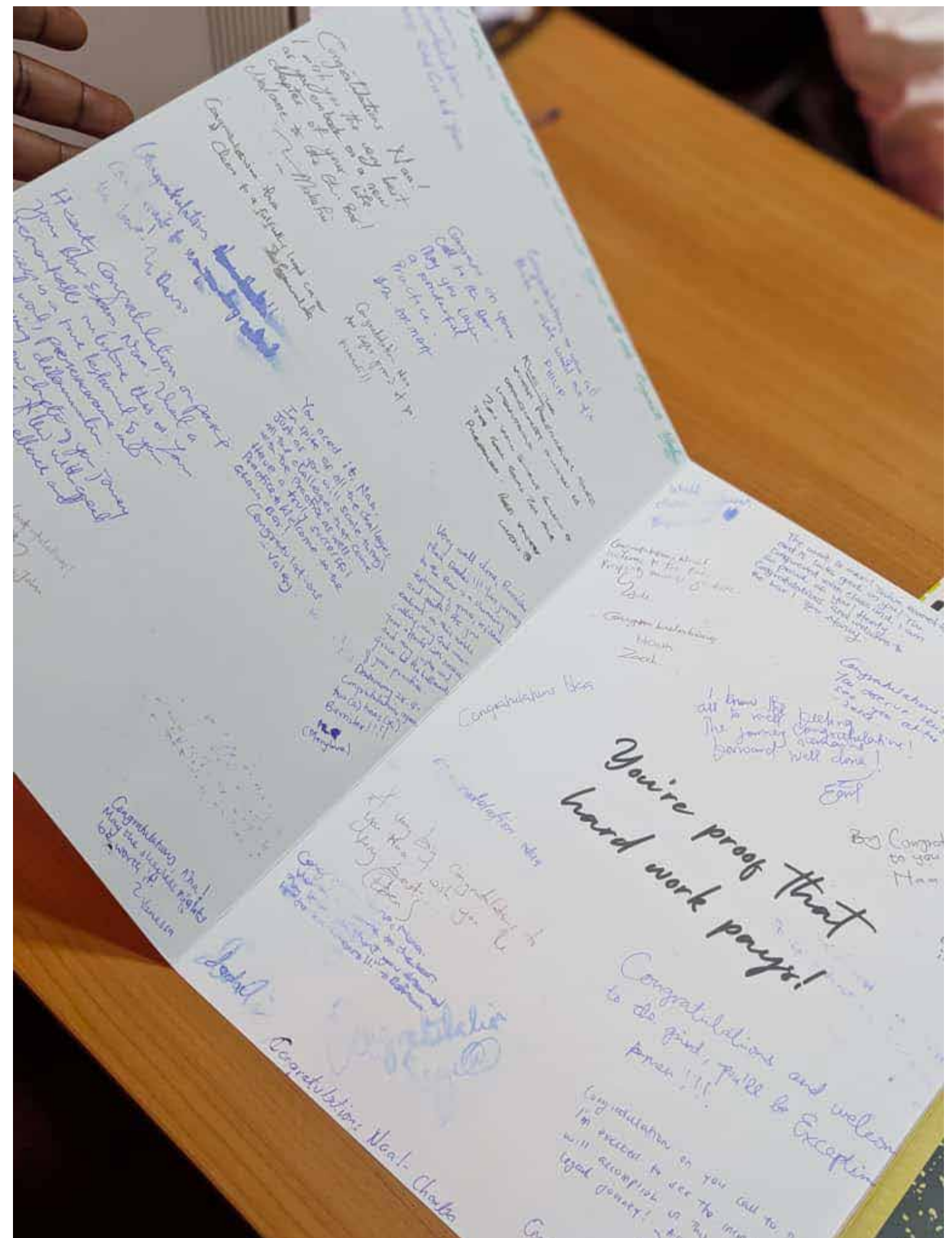
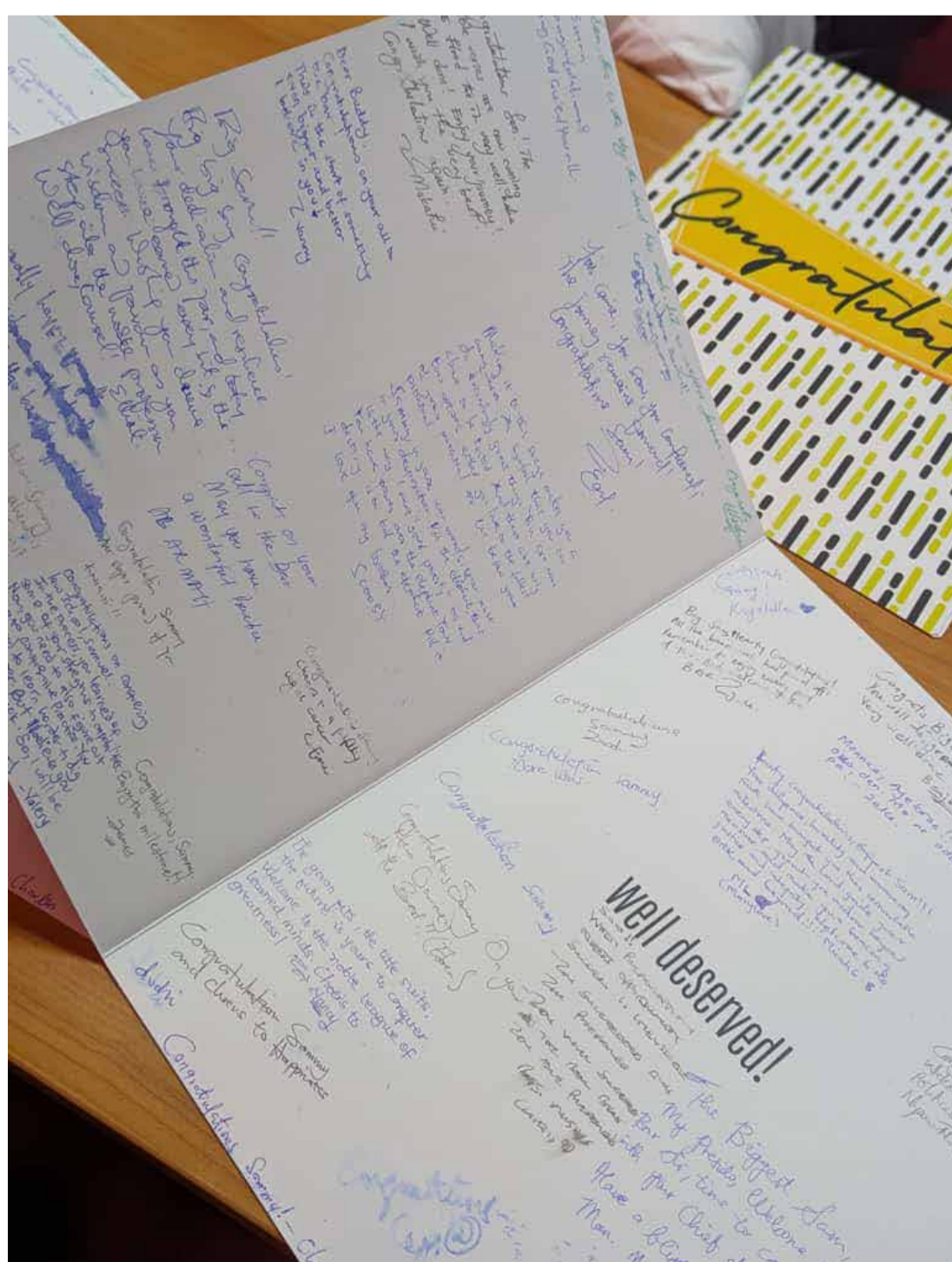
The Lounge Insider

BY *The Office Whisperer*

Because every great office deserves a little great gossip. Your not-so-official scoop from our hallways

Last Friday's Call to the Bar ceremony at the Accra International Conference Centre was nothing short of a spectacle – 824 fresh-faced lawyers were officially welcomed into the profession, and the buzz could be felt all the way from the front row to our office corridors. Of course, all eyes were on our very own Abigail Dedo Kpabitey, Samuel Gyekye-Fosu, and Naa Dedei Okailé Coleman, who made us beam with pride as they took their well-earned place among Ghana's newest lawyers. The photos alone could melt a briefcase.

But let's be honest, the real entertainment happened offstage. Some colleagues (you know yourselves) were patiently waiting for that elusive dinner or lunch invitation that never quite arrived. A few even claimed to have "left room in their calendar" for a post-ceremony celebration... that apparently existed only in imagination. One enterprising teammate reportedly designed their own "Lunch with the Bar Stars" card just to feel included. If creativity were a legal skill, they'd be partners by now.



Meanwhile, WhatsApp was on fire. Status updates, profile photos, and throwbacks flooded timelines with proud captions like "My babies are now lawyers" and "Feels like just yesterday!" circulating faster than court gossip. Some senior colleagues were even caught reminiscing about their own Call to the Bar days, back when wigs were tighter, robes were heavier, and selfies weren't part of the evidence.

In the end, the pride was collective, and the gossip, priceless. So here's to our three new legal warriors: may your robes stay crisp, your arguments sharp, and your next celebration include the rest of us.

Until next time, remember The Lounge Insider never misses a beat (or a buffet).

PUZZLE WINNERS FOR 2024-2025

1st



**James
Quartey**



9

2nd



**Makafui
Akyea-Ansah**



5

3rd



**Vanessa
Alabi**



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RIDDLE

A man drove from Aflao to Tamale in two days. At the end of his trip, he discovered that one of his tires had been punctured.

How was he able to make the drive?



JUST FOR FUN

Illustrated by JONATHAN AGYEI-PEPRAH

Minister and Lawyer in Heaven

A minister and a lawyer arrived at the pearly gates, Saint Peter greeted both of them and gave them their room assignments.

“Pastor, here are the keys to one of our nicest efficiency units. And for you, sir, the keys to our finest penthouse suite.”

“This is unfair!” cried the minister.

“Listen,” Saint Peter said, “ministers are a dime a dozen up here, but this is the first lawyer we’ve ever seen.”





5 Career Advice They Don't Teach You in School

01 Don't follow your passion, follow your energy.

Passion can lie, but energy never does. When you have energy for something, you're prone to giving your deep attention to learn more about it. You open up to the world. You ask great questions and observe. Chasing your energy is how you unlock the gold in life.

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The Lizard had the tree in mind when challenging the Dog to a fight.”

02 Be selective in the games you choose to play.

There's an old African proverb that says, "The Lizard had the tree in mind when challenging the Dog to a fight." The most successful people I've met are hyper self-aware. They identify their unique edge, then play games that favor it (and avoid those that expose their weaknesses). Know your game and play it well.

03 Closed mouths don't get fed.

If you want something—and you've done the work to earn it—go ask for it. The old adage to sit back and wait for good things to happen is terrible advice. A little push goes a long way.

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A little push goes a long way.”

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...do what you say you'll do, be early, practice good posture...”

04 Do the "old fashioned" things well.

Look people in the eye, do what you say you'll do, be early, practice good posture, have a confident handshake, listen more than you speak. These things are all free and will never go out of style.

05 Side hustles are usually just distractions.

Having 5-10 income streams may sound nice, but it's quite rare that an income stream is truly passive. If it requires your mental energy (or creates headaches), it may just be a distraction pulling you away from the main thing that matters.

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Why? The Question Behind Every Profession

BY Sofia Wise, A staff Writer



In every career journey, there lies a question more powerful than what we do or how we do it. That question is why.

“Why” is the foundation of purpose. It is the compass that directs our ambitions and the quiet force that gives meaning to our choices. Yet, in the pursuit of qualifications, promotions, and achievements, many of us forget to pause and ask: Why did I choose this path? Why do I do what I do?

Finding Meaning in What We Do

The answer to why is rarely simple. For some, it begins with passion, an inner drive to make a difference or to master a craft. For others, it is shaped by necessity, the search for stability, recognition, or opportunity.

Whatever the reason, every profession represents more than a means of livelihood. It reflects our values, our worldview, and our sense of contribution. The work we choose, and how we perform it, becomes an expression of who we are and what we believe in.

Each why tells a story: a story of purpose, conviction, and meaning.





A Simple Illustration

Imagine two professionals starting out in the same role within the same organization. One sees the position purely as a job, a checklist of duties to be completed and deadlines to be met. The other approaches the same work with a deeper sense of purpose, viewing each task as a chance to create value, improve systems, and make a positive impact on colleagues or clients.

Both may succeed, but their experiences differ profoundly. The first achieves outcomes; the second achieves fulfilment. The difference lies not in what they do, but in why they do it. Purpose transforms effort into meaning and turns daily routines into opportunities for growth and impact.

The Power of Purpose

When purpose guides our work, excellence follows naturally. It fuels resilience when challenges arise and brings clarity when uncertainty clouds our path. A clear why inspires integrity, diligence, and creativity, the very qualities that define professional maturity.

Purpose reminds us that no role is insignificant. Every contribution, whether analytical, administrative, or advisory, plays a part in something larger. It strengthens our collective sense of identity and makes our shared work more meaningful.

Rediscovering the “Why”

Whatever our field or position, the question of why deserves to be revisited often. When the why fades, work becomes mechanical. But when it is clear, even the most ordinary task gains significance.

We work not merely to earn, but to serve. Not only to achieve, but to contribute.

The why behind what we do ultimately shapes who we become.

So, take a moment to look beyond the deadlines, the hierarchies, and the expectations. Ask yourself, why?



Your path to recovery

Evening Devotion with Ezekiel

REPORT BY *Miriam Selinam Tsri*

Theme
Your Path To Recovery

Speaker
Ezekiel Codjoe

Date
Monday 6th
October, 2025

Time
5:30-
6:00 PM

Venue
K&P Office
OUTSIDE THE CONFERENCE ROOM

Wisdom Is The Principal Thing
Proverbs 47

Last week's devotion, was held in person, led by Ezekiel on the theme, "Your Path to Recovery." Drawing from 1 Samuel 30, he recounted the story of David at Ziklag a place of devastation that became the ground for divine restoration.

The passage opens with David returning to find his home in ashes, his family taken, and his men consumed with grief. Yet in the midst of despair, the Bible records that "David inquired of the Lord," and upon receiving divine direction, "David pursued...and recovered all."

Ezekiel explained that this scripture teaches us one of life's greatest lessons: no matter how far we fall or how much we lose, there is always a path to recovery but it begins with seeking God.

He emphasized that Ziklag represents the seasons in life when we feel distant from our true identity in Christ. David, once a celebrated warrior of Israel, had found himself living among the Philistines the very enemies he

once fought. In the same way, the pressures of work, ambition, or personal struggles can make us lose sight of who we truly are in God. Yet, the message of hope is that God still calls us to return and recover.

Ezekiel challenged the team to reflect: Have we, like David, allowed our surroundings or situations to redefine us? He reminded us that being a lawyer or professional, though important, should never consume our spiritual identity. "Before you were a lawyer, you were a child of God," he said.

Using David's example, he highlighted three key steps to recovery:

- a. Recognize your loss** – Be honest about where you've drifted.
- b. Return to God** – Like David, seek His direction through prayer and humility.
- c. Pursue with faith** – God's word to David still stands true for us: "Pursue, for you shall surely overtake them, and without fail recover all."

He also drew on Matthew 11:28, where Jesus says, "Come unto me, all ye that labour and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest." The speaker explained that Jesus addressed this not to strangers, but to His disciples people already walking with Him, yet burdened by life. This, he noted, shows that even believers can become weary and disconnected, but Christ's invitation remains open: Come, and I will restore you.

Ezekiel closed by reminding everyone that recovery does not require extraordinary effort, only sincere surrender. God's plans for us are still intact, as Jeremiah 29:11 assures: "For I know the plans I have for you plans to prosper you and not to harm you." Even when we reach our "Ziklag," God is still capable of turning our ashes into glory.



Tech Clinic: A Smart Start to the Legal Year

REPORT BY *Divine Selase Agborli*

We kicked off our first CLE session for the new legal year on Wednesday with a timely and thought-provoking topic: “Tech Clinic: Core Systems Refresher & Cybersecurity Awareness.”

The session was led by Ebenezer who managed to make the complex world of cybersecurity both accessible and engaging. He reminded us that in today’s digital world, client confidentiality is not just about locked filing cabinets and quiet meeting rooms; it’s also about how we use technology. From emails to file sharing, every click matters.

Ebenezer walked us through the essentials: recognising scams that target law firms, maintaining good password hygiene, and embracing multi-factor authentication (MFA) as a friend, not a nuisance. He also shared practical tips on secure file sharing, mobile device security, and the importance of handling our devices with care (bearing in mind that a lost laptop can sometimes cause more damage than a lost brief).



What stood out most was how effortlessly he connected everyday habits with professional duty. That “quick” password reuse across platforms? A potential breach waiting to happen. That email attachment from an unfamiliar sender? Possibly a phishing attempt dressed in legalese. The message was clear: vigilance is no longer optional; it’s part of good lawyering.

The session also sparked some lively reflections on how we, as a firm, can stay one step ahead. From being more intentional about updates and backups, to building a culture where digital security is everyone’s responsibility, the Tech Clinic set the tone for a year of smarter, safer practice.

If you missed it, one takeaway sums it up best: “Cybersecurity isn’t just an IT issue; it’s a legal one.”

TOPIC
TECH CLINIC
Core Systems Refresher Cybersecurity Awareness

SPEAKERS

Henry Selase Aperh
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DATE
Wednesday
8th October,
2025

TIME
4pm
GMT

MODERATOR
Dodzi Koku Hattoh

VENUE
Auntie Esther's
Summer Hut

Wisdom Is The Principal Thing
PROVERBS 4:7



A Joyous Start to the Legal Year: Celebrating Our September Stars

TGIF Highlights – 10th October 2025

BY *Nancy Ama Sackey*

The first TGIF of the new legal year was nothing short of heartwarming. On Friday, 10th October 2025, the firm gathered once again not just to reconnect after the break, but to celebrate the remarkable individuals who marked their birthdays in September: Abdul Aziz Haruna, Zacchaeus Kumah, Wisdom Aryeetey, and Mrs. Emmanuella Esinam Fosu.

It was the perfect way to begin a new chapter: good music, laughter in the air, and that familiar Kimathi & Partners energy that makes every Friday feel like a family reunion. The evening was filled with smiles and heartfelt wishes as colleagues shared thoughtful messages in honour of the celebrants. The setting might have been casual, but the appreciation ran deep.

Each of our September-borns brings something special to the firm - leadership, diligence, wisdom, warmth, and the list goes on. The evening was a testimony of how diverse strengths blend seamlessly to make our community thrive.

There was, of course, no shortage of good food, drinks, and a few light-hearted jokes that kept the evening alive. The celebration carried that unmistakable Kimathi spirit; joyful, genuine, thoughtful, memorable and deeply connected to the people who make the firm what it is.

As the night drew to a close, one thing was clear: new beginnings are best started with gratitude. Gratitude for the people, the memories, and the shared journey ahead.

To our September stars, we celebrate you. May the year ahead bring you greater heights, more laughter, and the fulfillment that comes with doing what you love among people who truly value you.

Cheers!



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OUR CORE VALUES

1. TRUSTWORTHY

We always keep our word, our ethics and our integrity.

2. THOUGHTFUL

We are thoughtful, friendly and keep our manners.

3. WARRIORS

We are relentless, have grit and swear by our work ethics.

4. EXCELLENCE

We always hire and develop the best.

5. WINNERS

We expect to win all our cases and close all deals.

6. VERY RESPONSIVE

Always responsive. Always committed in heart and mind.

7. FRUITFULNESS

We exceed the expectations of our client.

8. COMMUNITY

We genuinely care and labour to be a blessing.

9. FAITH

We keep our God and always put our heart in it.

10. FULFILLMENT

It's all about hard work and happiness.