

Emeka Nwadiora, JD., LL.M., PhD., DSW/PhD, MSW

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Education

Temple University, Beasley School of Law, Philadelphia, PA May 2014
LL.M., Trial Advocacy

Hofstra University School of Law, Hempstead, NY May 2010
J.D., Law

- Certificate in Divorce and Conflict Resolution-Family Law
- Internship: Political Asylum Clinic-Immigration Law

Temple University, College of Liberal Arts, Philadelphia, PA May 2002
Ph.D., African and African American Studies

- Organized several workshops on critical race theory
- Presented several papers and workshops on African, Caribbean, and African-American literature, indigenous religions, and legal systems, customary law
- Ph.D. Dissertation Topic: Towards a Unitized Pan African Liberation Theology

Temple University, Institute for Multicultural Education
Diploma in Multicultural Studies May 1997

Howard University, School of Social Work, Washington D.C. May 1991
D.S.W/PhD., Clinical Social Work/Psychology

PhD dissertation Topic: Alienation and Acculturative stress Among Amerasian Refugees”

- Teaching assistant (1987-1990), Howard University- Undergraduate Research
- Research Assistant on African-American Families directed by Dr. Harriette McAdoo (1987-88); research topics include the impact of law on black adolescents, black families black immigration in the U.S.A.

University of Connecticut, School of Social Work, Hartford, CT May 1987
M.S.W. – Specialization in Psychiatric Social Work

- Psychiatric clinical and case management for mentally ill clients (1983-87), Berlin Psychiatric Hospital- Berlin New Hampshire

Lyndon State College, Lyndonville, VT May 1982
B.A. Psychology

- Mobile Therapist with Adolescents
- Research: The Storms and Stresses of Adolescent Immigrants

Lyndon State College, Lyndonville ,VT

MEd in Counseling Psychology [candidate]

Internship: St. Johnsbury Community Corrections Facility, St. Johnsbury VT 1984

Federal College for Special Education, Oyo, Nigeria

May 1980

Diploma in Special Education

- Specialization: Instruction for the Hearing Impaired in High Schools

Ahmadu Bahago Teachers College, Minna, Nigeria

May 1973

Education Diploma, K-12: Teacher 4th, 6th, and 12th grades certification.

Teaching & Research Interests

Primary Teaching Interests in Law

- Immigration Law, Family Law, Law & Psychiatry, Health Law, Torts, Legal Philosophy, Mental Health Law, Juvenile Law, Human Rights Law, Constitutional Law, Civil Rights Law

Secondary Interests:

- International Law, Comparative law, Native American Law, Criminal Law & Procedure, African Contemporary Legal Systems and Customary Laws

Teaching Experiences

Associate Professor of Law, Ethics and Human Behavior

Temple University, College of Public Health

1992-present

- Earned tenure and promotion to Associate Professor in 1996
- Courses Taught: Law, Human rights, Human Services, Social Welfare Policy, Ethics, Human Behavior and the Social Environment; Refugees, Immigrants and the Law, Human Service Organizations, Law and Mental Health, the DSM-Psychiatric Evaluation, and Social Justice

Assistant Professor

Springfield College, School of Human Services, Springfield, MA 1989-1992

- Courses Taught: Human Behavior in the Social Environment; Social Welfare Policy, Legal Aspects.

Adjunct Professor

Widener University 1997-2000

- Courses Taught: Sociological Foundations of Human Behavior, Social Policy.
- Law and Human Services

Adjunct Professor

University of Pennsylvania 2000-2006

- Courses Taught: African Literature & Philosophy, Diaspora Literature, Igbo Language, African Pre and Post-Colonial Legal Systems.

Honors & Awards

- W.E.B. Dubois Award for Excellence in Teaching, University of Pennsylvania, December 2005
- Violet Ketel's Award for Excellence in Teaching, Temple University, October 1999
- Research Award, Temple University, 1998
- Nominated for the prestigious Lindback Teacher Award, Temple University, 2006

Legal Work Experience

- **Legal Volunteer, Experanza Immigrant Legal Services** 2017
Interviewed and classified immigrant green card holders for citizenship applications.
- **Law Clerk, Law Firm of Rhonda Hill Wilson, Philadelphia, PA** 2011
Drafted tort motions in limines on behalf of elderly nursing home clients.
- **Legal Volunteer, Nationality Services Agency, Philadelphia, PA** 2010
Interviewed immigrant clients to assess eligibility for permanent residence in the US; researched country conditions to assess eligibility for asylum status
- **Intern, Political Asylum Clinic, Hofstra University School of Law** 2009
Successfully argued for and procured asylum for an immigrant family. Interviewed clients, drafted affidavits, letters, certificates, consulted with expert witnesses.

Law-Related Selected Presentations

- Law and Mental Health among African and African-American Families – presented at the MKA Institute, Philadelphia, PA, 2013
- Law and Mental Health of Undocumented African Immigrants in the United States – presented at the African Cultural Center, Philadelphia, PA, 2011
- Alchemy of Law and Psychiatry: The Case of a Psychotic Africa – presented at African Literature Conference in Low Country, North Carolina, 2007

Publications, Works in Progress, Miscellaneous

Publications: Books

- Reviewed book “Human Rights in Nigeria’s External Relations” by Aka Phillip, Professor of Law at Indiana University School of Law, Lexington Books, 2017
- Book- “Introduction to African Religions” coauthored with Dr. Molefi Asante, Rowan Publishers, 2007
- Alienations and Stress among African Immigrants, Western Journal of Black Studies
- Therapy with African Families in Ethnic and Family Therapy, Ed. McGoldrick, 1996
- Acculturation Stress among American Refugees in the United States, Journal of Adolescents, 1995

WORKS IN PROGRESS

- Book Contract: “Legal and Psychological Challenges of African Immigrants in the United States” by Cambria Press, New York

In collaboration with the International Criminal court in the Hague, legal research titles:

- “Decades of Crimes against Humanity, A Psycho-Legal analysis of Joseph Kony-Leader of “The Lords Resistant Army” in Uganda, 2017
- “Law, Human rights violations and Anarchy, the Case of the new South Sudan”, 2017

SELECTED LEGAL WORKSHOPS ATTENDED and PARTICIPATED:

- Hollywood Looks at Trials, Professor Jules Epstein, Temple University Beasley School of Law, 2017
- Forensic Science Evidence: Law and CIS Effect, Professor Sonestein, 2017
- Citizenship & Immigration Law, 2016

- Miscellaneous:
- Dr. Emeka & Associates LLC
- Psychotherapy Private Practice, 1997 – Present: Clinical Services include psycho-legal evaluations on individuals, families, immigrant clients; evaluation and recommendation of clients referred by immigration attorneys for argument on prevention of deportation under Convention Against Torture [CAT] law-USA a signatory.
- Weekly Radio Talk Show, “The Dr. Emeka Show” on WURD 900 Am Philadelphia, PA. Listener Interactive Radio Show
- 2004 – present: emphasis on legal issues impacting vulnerable populations. Invite accomplished legal practitioners and law professors as guest to educate the local, national and international audience on several legal issues, e.g., law and adolescence, law and immigration, law and mental health

**References

1. Dean Eric Lane, Dean of Hofstra University School of Law, Hempstead, NY
2. Chair Dr. Molefi Asante, African American Studies Department, Temple University College of Liberal Arts, Philadelphia, PA
3. Efthimios Parasidis, Professor of Law, Moritz School of Law, Ohio State University
4. Richard Delgado – Professor of Law, University of Alabama School of Law